

# Welcome back to Maple class!



Autumn 1  
2025

## Theme for the term:

Our topic this term is Important People. We will be looking at important people to us such as friends and family but also looking at some famous important people and how they have changed the world we live in.

## Key texts

We will be looking at a variety of fiction and non fiction texts including:

Any day with you by Mae Respicio.

Rules by Cynthia Lord

David Attenborough, Little People, Big Dreams.

I am Amelia Earhart, ordinary people change the world

**Welcome back to Maple Class!** I hope you all had a wonderful summer break. My name is Lucy, and I'm delighted to be teaching in Maple again this year, alongside our teaching assistants - Kate, who many of you will know from the past two years in Maple, and Cassie, who joins us from Cedar Class. We have an exciting term ahead, filled with engaging learning opportunities, trips out into the community, and special visitors coming into school. Please keep an eye on our home communication booklets/social media and newsletters for more information.

## **FOCUS SESSION - Emotional Literacy**

This year we are introducing emotional literacy within our weekly timetable. Emotional literacy is the ability to recognise, understand, express, and manage feelings, and it plays a vital role in the well-being of children at Doubletrees School. It helps them make sense of their own emotions, understand others, and respond with empathy - skills that support positive relationships and effective communication.



In school, this means learning to express feelings in healthy ways and confidently navigate social situations. We can encourage emotional literacy through activities like role-play, storytelling, group discussions, and art, giving children the tools to share their feelings, connect with others, and thrive in a supportive community.

## **Key dates and reminders this term:**

**Mondays:** swimming - please provide a named swimming kit    **Thursdays:** PE - please provide a t-shirt, shorts and trainers

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September** - National Fitness Day

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** - Biffa Visit

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October** - Wizard of Oz Pantomime



# Reminders

## Maple Team!



Lucy - Maple teacher

HLTA - Phil



Kate and Cassie  
Maple teaching assistants



June - midday supervisor



## Key vocab this term

- Finished
- Thank you
- Please
- Toilet
- Help
- Kind
- Happy
- Sad
- Angry
- Now
- Next
- Today
- Tomorrow
- Cornwall

## Supporting Learning at Home:

- **Reading:** Please encourage your child to read their school reading book at home and record this in their reading diary.
- **Home-School Communication:** You can use your child's home-school book to share messages with us. We also welcome updates via *Evidence for Learning*—if you need help accessing this, please let us know through your child's diary.
- **Water Bottles:** Ensure your child brings a *named* water bottle to school each day.
- **Labelling Belongings:** Clearly labelling clothing and equipment makes it much easier to return lost items.
- **Snacks:** Please provide your child with a healthy snack to bring to school each day.

**Personal Learning Goals (PLGs)** Over the next couple of weeks, you'll receive your child's updated targets. These are linked to their EHCP objectives, as well as key curriculum goals in Maths and English. If you have any questions—or if there's a particular area you feel we should focus on—please feel free to get in touch

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