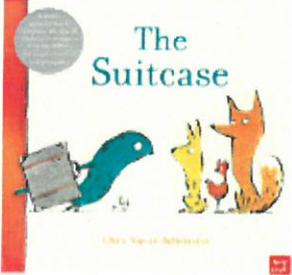
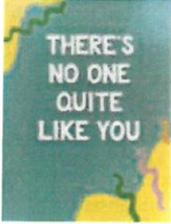


Week beginning: 16th March 2026

We are Explorers - This week in Maple

<p>Books of the week:</p> <p>The Suitcase</p> 	<p>Rhyme(s) of the week:</p> <p>We're Going on a Bear Hunt</p> 	<p>Sign of the week:</p> <p>sit</p>  <p>Sit down</p>	<p>Happy Thought:</p> 
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In Maths we will be:

- Counting objects carefully using one-to-one correspondence.
- Taking a small number from a group.
- Comparing amounts using language such as more and fewer.
- Exploring ideas such as heavy and light through practical activities.

In Phonics we will be:

- Listening for and identifying initial sounds in words.
- Joining in with alliteration and silly sound games.
- Playing listening games to help us hear sounds more clearly.
- Practising saying sounds clearly and confidently.

Learning opportunities:

This week in our enhanced and continuous provision, the children will have opportunities to:

- Explore maps and go on treasure hunts as part of our We Are Explorers theme.
- Create their own maps and mark make to show journeys and discoveries.
- Pack suitcases and plan adventures in the role play area.
- Explore ice, animals and different environments linked to our explorer destinations.
- Follow chalk maps and trails outside as they search for treasure.
- Develop listening, counting and problem-solving skills through practical games and investigations.

Help At Home:

We Are Explorers

This week the children will each take home a magnifying glass to continue their exploring. Encourage your child to look closely at things around them on a walk or in the garden. You could ask, "What can you see?" and "What have you discovered?"

Talk together about the journeys you go on and what you notice along the way.



Dates for your diary:

- Wear something red for Red Nose Day on Friday 20th March ●

We are here to help. If you have any questions or concerns, please talk to your child's keyworker or any of the staff in Maple.