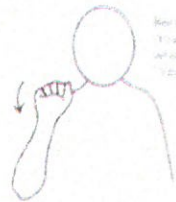


This week in Maple

Book of the week: The Birthday Party, Don't Wake Up Tiger, Spots Birthday Party 	Rhyme of the week: Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear Turn Around 	Happy Thought: Be a little like Pudsey — kind, caring, and always ready to help others shine. 	Sign of the week: Yes  Yes
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In Maths we will be: - Counting and sorting compare bears by colour and size, using words like big, small, in front and behind. - Making playdough birthday cakes, matching number cards to candles. - Playing hide and seek to practise counting and positional language. - Adding spots to Pudsey Bear and counting how many there are. - Using cars and paint tracks to explore patterns and compare lengths. - Joining in with number and action songs such as "Blast Off!" to practise rhythm and repetition.	In Phonics we will be: - Listening carefully to sounds in the environment and identifying what we can hear. - Playing instrument games, matching sounds to the correct instrument and taking turns to play behind a screen. - Enjoying stories like Don't Wake Up Tiger and Pip and Posy and the Birthday Party, talking about key events and characters. - Exploring new vocabulary linked to birthdays and Pudsey Bear, such as spots, candles, party, and kind.
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Learning opportunities: - Making playdough birthday cakes and decorating them with candles and sequins. - Creating Pudsey Bear spot patterns with paint, stickers, or collage materials. - Driving cars through paint to make tracks and large marks. - Building garages and roads in the construction area for car play. - Acting out birthday parties in the role-play area with hats, plates, and pretend cake.	Help at Home: Children in Need On Friday 14th November, we'll be celebrating Children in Need at nursery! We'd love for your child to come dressed in spots, bright colours, or Pudsey-themed clothes to join in the fun. Throughout this week, we'll be taking part in special Pudsey activities, talking about kindness, and finding ways to help others. Thank you for supporting this special event and helping us make it a fun week for everyone! 
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Dates for your diary: - Wednesday 12th November - Children in Need cake sale - Friday 14th November - Children in Need wear spots - Don't forget to sign up for Communication Calls — the sheet is outside the classroom.

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.