

Week beginning: 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## This week in Maple

<b>Book of the week:</b> The Colour Monster Wow Said the Owl This is Owl 	<b>Rhyme of the week:</b> Owl in the Tree 	<b>Happy Thought:</b> 	<b>Sign of the week:</b>  Tip of middle finger makes contact with body and makes repeat movement <b>Toilet</b>
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### In Maths we will be:

- Singing number rhymes that count forwards (e.g., Five Little Ducks, 1,2,3,4,5 Once I Caught a Fish Alive).
- Reciting numbers in order up to 5.
- Building towers and trains with Duplo to count to 5.
- Making and talking about repeating colour patterns with bricks.
- Sorting objects by colour.

### In Phonics we will be:

- Listening for and identifying environmental sounds on a sound walk.
- Responding to music with a strong, steady beat (clapping, tapping, freezing).
- Dancing, marching, and playing instruments to songs with a rhythm.
- Enjoying stories, rhymes, and songs with actions.

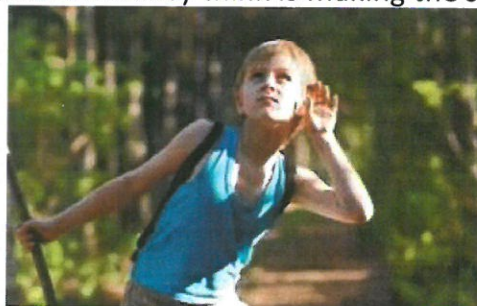
### Learning opportunities:

- Learning about real owls and other birds during our Birds of Prey Visit and talking about how we care for living things.
- Exploring stories (Wow! Said the Owl, This is Owl, The Colour Monster, Owl Babies).
- Talking about colours in the world around us.
- Recognising and naming different feelings using colours as a guide.
- Developing imaginative play (owl small world, pirate ship play).
- Exploring creative materials (junk modelling, gluing and sticking feathers).
- Building social skills through group games and tidy-up routines.

### Help at Home

#### Listening Walk

Go on a listening walk together, pause along the way, stay quiet, and notice the different sounds you can hear – birds singing, cars driving past, footsteps on the path, leaves rustling in the wind. Talk about which sounds are loud or quiet, near or far away, and encourage your child to describe what they think is making the sound.



### Dates for your diary:

**On Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of October** we will be having a visit from the Birds of Prey team. Please let us know if your child has any allergies.

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.