Week beginning: 7th July 2025

This week in Maple

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

Books of the week:

We're Going on a Lion Hunt, Handa's Surprise





Rhyme(s) of the week:

If You're Happy and You Know It
(Jungle Version)



Sign of the week:

Which



In Maths we will be:

We will be:

- Comparing the size of different toys and objects using words like big, small, bigger, and smaller.
- Sorting toys into groups of big and small to help children recognise and talk about size.
- Sequencing familiar daily routines by putting picture cards in order, e.g., first we wash hands, then we eat snack.
- Using simple time words like morning, after lunch, and home time to talk about when things happen.

In Phonics we will be:

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- Playing the Puppet Sound Game to practise blending and segmenting sounds in words like c-at and d-o-g.
- Going on a Sound Treasure Hunt, blending sounds to find hidden objects or pictures around the room.
- Joining in with the Instrumental Freeze Game to explore loud and quiet sounds, and practise listening carefully.
- Listening to and joining in with stories, using story-related words and talking about what happens first, next, and last.

Learning opportunities:

We will be:

- Exploring stories together, including We're Going on a Lion Hunt, Handa's Surprise, and The Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly. Children will join in repeated phrases, retell events, and sequence parts of the story in order.
- Creating and describing patterns using peg boards, compare bears, and pattern mats, as well as practising sorting by colour and size.
- Developing fine motor skills by using hole punchers, treasury tags, scissors, and small world animals to connect, cut, and sort materials in different ways.
- Tasting new fruits and talking about where they come from to build awareness of the wider world and celebrate differences.

Help At Home:

Tasting a new fruit together

Try tasting a new fruit together as a family. Talk about what it looks, smells, and tastes like.

- Is it sweet or sour?
- Does it feel soft or crunchy?
- Where do you think it grows?

This helps children build confidence to try new things and learn about foods from around the world.



Dates for your diary:

- Tuesday 15th and Thursday 17th July Leavers picnics
- Wednesday 16th July Ian's Mobile Farm visit
- Friday 18th July Graduation Garden Party 3.30 to 4.30
- Tuesday 22nd July Last day/ Nursery closes for summer break