

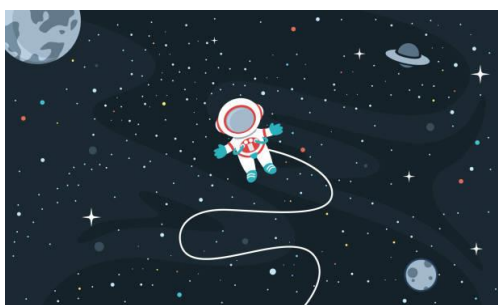


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## **Maple Class Newsletter – Spring Term, 2025**



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope you all managed to have an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas break. On behalf of the Maple Class team, I would also like to thank you for the lovely gifts and messages that we received at the end of term. Your kind words really do mean a lot to us all and we feel very fortunate to have such a supportive and encouraging community of parents.

Maple Class have made an excellent start to the term, and are keen to learn lots of new things as part of our *'Out of This World!'* topic. For more information about the learning that will take place between now and the Easter Holidays, please have a look at our Topic Web on the school website.

### **Homework**

This term's homework is now up on the Maple Class section of the school website. Please aim to complete one activity each week, or at least make a note of one of the online homework games/ Mathematics activities. Homework books are checked each Wednesday.



### **Phonics**

I will continue to send home a phonic homework sheet each Friday that includes the phonemes, words and tricky words that we have learnt during that week. I understand that family life can be very busy so, when completing homework, please prioritise using this sheet to review and embed phonics learning from school. Please also have a good look at home to see if any 'Learn to Read' books are hiding anywhere, as I am missing a couple of copies.

### **Website Photos**

If you have not already had a chance to look at the photos from last term, please head over to Maple's gallery on the Chesterton website. I add a new blog post up each Friday, which includes information and photos of the wonderful things we have done during the week. The gallery is password protected, so please get in touch if you do not have the password.

### **Spare Clothes**

We are currently running very low on our supplies of spare socks/ tights/ underwear. If your child has borrowed some spare clothes, please would you kindly send them back into school at your earliest convenience.

## PE days

Our Maple class PE day is now on a Thursday. We will still however follow the same routine where children come home wearing their PE kit and it can be returned to school in preparation for the next lesson.

## Additional Dates for you Diary

Week beginning Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January - RSPB Big School Bird Watch

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February - Maple Sharing Worship

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February - Safer Internet Day

Week beginning Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March - Book Week

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March - Book Week Film Night

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March - School Association Book Sale

Week beginning Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March - Science Week

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March - Comic Relief

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Parents' Evenings

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Easter Church Service (PUPILS ONLY)

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April - School Association Easter Egg Hunt (After school)

## Contact

As always, please feel free to contact me about any matters arising.

- You could send a message (written or verbal) with your child.

- You are able to phone the School Office, who will be able to help you or pass on a message.

- Alternatively, I will usually be available at the end of the school day once all of the children have been collected and this would be a good time to have a quick conversation. A longer meeting can then be arranged at a mutually convenient time if required.

- Any emails can be sent via the school office ([office.3082@chesterton.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3082@chesterton.oxon.sch.uk)), who will forward your message to me if necessary, and you can expect a response within 3 working days.

Here's to a wonderful Spring term!

Best wishes,

Miss Spencer and the Maple Class team



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