



Mapplewells Primary and Nursery School Weekly Newsletter - Friday 3rd July 2026

Welcome Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Can you believe it? Just 15 more days until we wave goodbye to another fantastic academic year here at Mapplewells! It genuinely feels like time has flown by, which is always a good sign that we've been busy learning, growing and enjoying every moment of our school journey.

This week, most of Year 6 children had their transition visit to Ashfield School and got to experience what it will be like for them come September. Feedback from the children is that

they had a great time and are excited for the next stage in their journey. Feedback from the staff was that the children were once again an absolute credit to the school and their families.

Our lower Key Stage Two children enjoyed a trip to Brierley Forest Park Country Park, where they consolidated their geography learning and completed observational drawings of the sculptures at the park. We also invited parents and carers to a stay and play session in F2.

Finally, as if that isn't enough we've have our wonderful summer fair this afternoon - more to come on that next week.

So, let's make these final few weeks count. We're excited to see all the learning and progress continue right up to the very end of what has already been a truly special term.

Read on to find out more about what's been happening across the school this week...

Attendance

Our current school attendance after 36 weeks is 97.13%. Our current attendance by class is:

Birch 99%

Elder 98%

Elm 97%

Hawthorn 98%

Hazel 97%

Juniper 97%

Maple 97%

Oak 97%

Pine 97%

Rowan 95%

Willow 96%

Well done to Birch class on their fantastic attendance this week! Let's keep striving to improve our attendance, to exceed that figure of 97.13%.



Sports day - Monday 6th July 2026

Date: Monday 6th July 2026

Time:- Foundation and KS1 will begin at 9:30am, while KS2 will start at 1:30pm

You are welcome to attend and bring chairs or picnic blankets to watch the events. We ask that you remain behind the barriers throughout the day to help us keep track of all students.

- EYFS and KS1 sports day starts at 9:30am. Please drop your child off as normal in the morning and then leave through the gates. We will then reopen the gates for spectators once the children are all settled.
- KS2 sports day starts at 1:30pm. Again, the gates will be opened shortly before this for spectators to come and watch.

- We ask that all spectators stay behind the barriers in place to ensure the safety of everyone.
- Children are asked to come to school in their PE kits with a tshirt of their house colour.
- The weather forecast looks dry and warm for Monday. Please ensure your child has a hat, sun cream and water bottle.

The pupils have been practising their races and are looking forward to the day ahead.



F2 stay & play

Our final F2 Stay and Play session of the year was a wonderful way to celebrate all of the children's hard work and learning. The children loved exploring our *Hungry Caterpillar* activities with their grown-ups and were excited to share their classroom experiences. They also enjoyed spending time together exploring the outdoors carrying out activities such as playing in the sand pit, riding around on the bikes, going on the climbing frame and cooking up something yummy in the mud kitchen.

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended and for your continued support throughout the year – it has been greatly appreciated.













Key dates

Please keep updated with our key dates as we add to this. Our term dates are published on the website - <https://www.mapplewellsprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Useful+Information&pid=86>

Diary Dates	
2026	
July	
3 rd July	F1 trip to Matlock Farm Park
3 rd July	Summer Fair
6 th July	Sports Day (EYFS & KS1 morning, KS2 afternoon)
8 th – 10 th July	Year 6 residential
14 th – 17 th July	Year 6 Bikeability
16 th July	Summer disco
17 th July	Parent picnic
23 rd July	F2 trip to Bluebell Dairy
24 th July	Last Day of Summer 2 – non – uniform day
27 th July	INSET day
September	
1 st September	INSET day
2 nd September	INSET day
3 rd September	1 st day of Autumn 1 term
14 th September	Year 5 and 6 trip to National Holocaust Museum
October	
16 th October	Last day of Autumn 1 term
November	
2 nd November	1 st day of Autumn 2 term
12 th November	Foundation Diwali Dance Workshop
December	
1 st December	School trip to the Panto
18 th December	Last day of Autumn 2 term
2027	
January	
4 th January	1 st day of Spring 1 term
April	
26 th April	Year 4 residential
July	
23 rd July	Last day of Summer 2 term
26 th July	INSET day
27 th July	INSET day
28 th July	INSET day

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