



## Early Years Newsletter Autumn 2024

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What a fantastic start to the new academic year! Well done to everyone, we have had such fun this week 😊. We have loved seeing all the children; welcoming back those who were with us last year and welcoming new friends to join our classes. We have had a brilliant first few days, the children have been fantastic and we are looking forward to settling in over the next few weeks.

### **Tapestry**

You will receive an email with an invitation to join Tapestry, where we share photos of your child at school. You can also share photos of your own with us. It would be lovely to see some photos of what your child has been doing over the holidays.

### **Dojos**

Maples parents have received a DOJOs link. Please sign up using the QR code. Dojos are a fantastic way to share your child's successes and links to our behaviour reward system.

### **Reminders**

Please make sure your child has a named water bottle every day. They also need weather appropriate clothing, sun hats and sun cream for warm weather and coats (waterproof coats are good) and hats and gloves for the colder weather. If your child comes in wellies, please also bring some shoes to change into indoors. ***Please name anything the children are bringing into school, including clothes.***

### **Topic**

Over the next couple of weeks, we will be learning 'All About Me.' The children will have an opportunity to share everything that is fantastic about themselves with their new friends.

We will then move on to our woodlands theme; we will be reading lots of different books including The Gruffalo and Where the Wild Things Are.

We will regularly send a Take Home sheet with your child to update you on topics we are covering. We will also be investigating harvest time, with Maples preparing for their Harvest Festival performance. Acorns don't attend harvest along with the school, although you will be welcome to take your nursery age child with you to the performance if you wish. We will send information about things we are doing in school throughout the half term.

### **PE for Maples**

Maples will have PE on Monday and Wednesday. Please can named PE kit be brought in. PE kits can be left for the whole  $\frac{1}{2}$  term and then taken home for washing.

## Reading Books

Maple class will soon be coming home with reading books. These are books for you to share with your child, developing a love of reading and enjoying storytimes together. We would ask that books be returned **every Thursday** so that we can send home **new books on a Friday**. Please write in the yellow reading record when you have read together. Once we begin our phonics sessions; the children will eventually bring home reading books to practice their phonics reading skills.

Acorn class will also bring home a book to share at home. We will get our book box out on a Monday and Friday (allowing for the different days the Nursery children are in) and children can change it each week.

## Donation tin

We have a donation tin at drop off time in the morning. A donation of £1 a term would be hugely appreciated to help with the cost of cooking ingredients.

## Dates for your Dairy

Friday	13 <sup>th</sup> September	Meet the teacher (all classes)
Monday	16 <sup>th</sup> September	Race horse visit to school
Tuesday	17 <sup>th</sup> September	3:30 Friends of Ashfield - staffroom
Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup> September	Community Clear Up Day – wild life area 10:00 – 1:00
Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Individual photo day
Friday	4 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival 2pm
Thursday	10 <sup>th</sup> October	World Mental Health Day
Thursday	17 <sup>th</sup> October	Friends of Ashfield fancy dress disco 4:15-5:15 EY & KS1 and 5:30-6:30 KS2
W/B Monday	28 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Half Term
W/B Monday	11 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti Bullying week
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Carer Consultation
W/B Monday	13 <sup>th</sup> November	Otley science festival
Friday	15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
W/B Monday	18 <sup>th</sup> November	SEND Week
Tuesday	10 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Nativity 10:00am and 2:30pm
TBC	TBC	EYFS training day with FOS
Tuesday	17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle at Church KS1 lead 2pm
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup> December	Friends of Ashfield Christmas disco 4:15-5:15 EY & KS1, 5:30-6:30 KS2
Ws/B Monday	23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec –3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Christmas Holidays