



MAPLE WALK PREP SCHOOL

Friday 26th May 2023



It's been all hands on deck this week as the classrooms and corridors have been filled with creativity to celebrate Art Week. We were delighted to see so many of you at our exhibition this afternoon and the children enjoying the work that had been created by their friends and peers. We began the week with the wonderful Darcy Turner, working with groups on a new 3D picture for the school and what a triumph it is! We also had Miss Kate helping to kick off the children's explorations in response to the Surprise! painting and a very arty assembly from 1MW.

We head off now for half term and when we return we will be preparing for **Sports Day**. Please make sure you have made a note of Friday 9th June. The children need to be dropped off at **Willesden Sports Ground** at 9am for Upper School and 9:30am for Lower School and collected there at midday. All parents are welcome to come and support!

News & Updates

INTERNATIONAL EVENING!

We aim to have a celebration of all the different cultures at MW on 27th June.

We plan on having a concert/performance, encouraging acts from parents, staff and pupils or hopefully a combination of both- this could be dancing or songs from home countries. Following this, a bring-a-national-dish supper, aiming to finish by later in yeti evening. We really hope you'll sign up and join us! Sign up on the Google form.



Uniform sale

After the half term the Friends will be holding a second hand school uniform sale. If you have a spare uniform that your child no longer fits into or needs if you could please donate it, Drop it to the office.



On **Thursday 15th June**,

the Friends of Maple Walk are looking forward to seeing you for some good old-fashioned fun for adults ONLY and for a worthy cause; Our school, Maple Walk! Tickets to the Summer Social go on sale from Sunday 28th, 9am.

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofmaplewalk/920309>

And in the run-up to the big night, the auction site will also be live from this Sunday, 28th May, 9am! So flex those thumbs and get bidding. Our not so Secret Garden, needs your bids. Thank you. TFOMW
<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/maplewalksummersocialauction>

Sports Stars!



THE FRIENDS OF MAPLE WALK PRESENT

15 JUNE 7.30PM - 11PM

PARENTS' SUMMER SOCIAL

MORTY & BOB'S COLLEGE RD, NW10 5HD

FOOD | MUSIC | AUCTION & MORE !

RAISING FUNDS FOR THE MAPLE WALK SECRET GARDEN

TICKETS ON SALE SOON!

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR REP WITH ALL AUCTION DONATIONS

UPPER SCHOOL

PUBLIC SPEAKING

ROUND ONE

W/C MONDAY 5TH JUNE

FINALS

WEDNESDAY 14TH JUNE 9AM

CHOOSE ANY TOPIC, BE READY TO PERFORM, ENJOY!

Reception to Year 6

CARNIVAL DAY

Tuesday 11th July Roundwood Park

This half term, children (and parents) should begin designing and making headaddresses, costumes and props for our summer carnival! The theme this year is

Coast to Coast

Ideas and designs will be shared on our return to school w/c 12th June

Reception



We have had so much fun showing off our creative talents during Art Week. We focused on the painting 'Surprised!' by Henri Rousseau and particularly enjoyed discussing what the tiger might be thinking or doing. We had a wonderful workshop with Miss Kate where we looked close at tigers eyes and created our own tiger eyes. We have also produced some lovely tiger collage pictures using lots of different materials. Happy half term everyone!

Year 1

This week we have been writing our own innovated stories of Avocado Baby and exploring how to find fractions of a total. The children enjoyed studying the Magna Carta and creating their own class charters. Miss Chase's class have had a wonderful time preparing for their assembly, producing some wonderful portraits in the form of various artists. We were extremely lucky to have Miss Kate in for our very own Art workshops where we used mark making to create some beautiful birds. What a brilliant half term we have had in Year 1!



Year 2

What a final week of the half term! In Maths, we finished our fraction topic and deepened our understanding of non-unit and unit fractions. We programmed cars in computing. Whilst in Science, we investigated materials that can change shape. In English, we learnt how to write a diary entry and we are looking forward to writing some over the half term. As it was Art week we spent lots of time creating some wonderful art, including sculptures in the amazing workshop. Thank you to our mystery readers, we loved it! Have a lovely half term everyone and see you after the break.



Year 3



We enjoyed another wonderful workshop with Miss Kate this week where they worked in pairs, drawing portraits of each other showing a particular emotion on acetate and then created a colourful portrait on top using wool and PVA glue - a gloriously sticky, colourful and artistic project, many thanks Miss Kate! The children have also been working on their poems inspired by William Blake's 'The Tyger' where they have tried to include personalisation, alliteration as well as the 5 senses. We hope you enjoy seeing all of our work at our exhibition today. Amazing work Year 3, well done everyone!

Year 4

We have thought about what items would be most useful on a desert Island and why. They then had to vote in the most effectual two with Vihaan and Antonio coming in first place with a saw and a rope. Theo and Isaac came a close second with a torch and insect repellent. They also had an introduction to Haiku and the famous Matsuo Basho then wrote a few on their own. In Art, we were lucky enough to have Miss Kate, our specialist to work on their Take One Picture project. We are excited to be exhibiting this Friday!

In Maths we are learning about time. We had interesting discussions about analogue and digital clocks and completed activities to practise telling the time to the nearest minute. Keep asking your child what the time is or how long until dinner etc - the more practise the better!



Year 5

It's been a week of workshops in Year 5! We started on Tuesday with a humorous and informative Road Safety workshop. We learned all about how to stay safe on the roads, ways of travelling without our cars and the steps to check our equipment is up to standard if we are using bikes to travel. On Wednesday, we spent time completing our 'Take One Picture' artwork with Miss Kate, getting inspiration from the artwork of Jean-Michel Basquiat. Thursday we spent lots of time thinking about friendship, how to show empathy and the way we are developing.



Year 6

We have explored the world as artists this week! We learned a lot about envisioning and creating 3D artworks collaboratively with sculpture guru Darcy Turner. With Miss Kate, we thought about instant emotional reactions and tried to capture some of these, drawing on the work of Jean-Michel Basquiat as inspiration. We explored how our emotions express themselves through our bodies and completed printing and inking our calico canvases. With a focus on colour and form, we used giant photographs to create impressive self-portraits with Mrs Murdoch. To round off a week of exploring life through various artistic media, we visited the British Film Institute's showing of French film *Le Prince Oublié* (The Lost Prince) with Madame Yvonne at the IMAX in Waterloo. Many thanks to our mystery reader who gave a dramatic start to our new class novel. We are looking forward to our trip to the Houses of Parliament on the first day back after half term!



Sports and PE

What a superb first part of the term we have had. Students have learnt and practiced a wide range of sports such as badminton, cricket, dodgeball... and we are all ready for Sports Day, coming up straight after half term.

A big shout out to:

Y2 students for attending their first football tournament.

Boys and girls from **YRS 5 & 6**, representing Maple Walk at the Brent Cricket Tournament.

YRS 3 & 4 participating in the Brent Cross Country event.

Reception and Y1 for their amazing improvement in PE throughout the year. You are all ready for Year 1 and 2.



French

Year 1 were learning phrases in a story about a little bird learning to fly.

No French for **Years 4 & 5** this week

Year 2 were learning transport words.

Reception listened to a story about Tounette growing vegetables and making vegetable soup! We went on a great French school trip with **Year 6** to the BFI IMAX cinema at Waterloo. There was a workshop in the morning where we were shown three short films in French and the children completed a worksheet. After lunch we watched a great movie with Omar Sy called *Le Prince Oublié*. (The Forgotten Prince)



SHOUTS OUTS

Congratulations to the following Maple Walkers for their hard work and effort this week.

RAC	Margot	For doing so well with her reading this week.
RAM	Arnold	For some great Maths work this week and super subtraction!
1AW	Zachary	For his super lifecycle of a plant.
1MC	Evie	For her hard work learning our assembly.
2EC	Margarita	For her excellent work on fractions in Maths. Margie is able to persevere and complete her work independently!
2EM	Riva	For an amazing piece of Art: she thought carefully about the colours she used and what she wanted to draw.
3CA	Kaylee	Super writing of a newspaper article.
3MH	Yevheniia	For her wonderful short poem on Lucky the Maple Walk Tiger inspired by William Blake's poem The Tyger, well done!!
4FL	Antonio	For always rising to the challenge in Maths and going the extra mile!
5RG	Logan	For well researched and labelled diagrams of frog and salamander life cycles.
5GS	Zadie	For researching the life cycles of different animals and presenting her findings clearly.
6SH	Isaac	For writing an informal letter from Florence Nightingale describing the changes she made to Victorian medicine.

French

Shout out to the children in Spanish club, in the last weeks they've learnt to tell the time in Spanish as well as lots of vocabulary about shops, means of transport, family, hobbies and sports. They've also proven to have quite a musical ear!
Buen trabajo everybody!



Dates for your Diaries...

May	
Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June	Summer Break (school closed)
June	
Monday 5th June	School opens Y6 - Trip to Parliament
Tuesday 6th June	Green up Your Act Workshop
Thursday 8th June	World Oceans Day
Friday 9th June	SPORTS DAY at WILLESDEN SPORTS CENTRE - Finish at 12:00pm, pickup from venue
Tuesday 13th June	YRS 5 & 6 - Brent Athletics
Wednesday 14th June	Y2 - Multi Skills Festival
Friday 16th June	Y6 - Sleepover Y4 - Forest School
Monday 19th - Wednesday 21st June	Y4 - Hindleap Warren, Surrey
Tuesday 20th June	Y4 - Aspire Festival
Friday 23rd June	Reception - Forest School
Tuesday 27th June	YRS 3-6 - Girls football Festival International Evening of Entertainment - 5:00pm - 7:00pm Y2 - Mountfitchet Trip
Thursday 29th June	Immersive Theatre Shows
Friday 30th June	Reception visit - WWT London Y4 - Forest School
July	
Tuesday 4th July	YRS 3-6 Girls Football Festival
Wednesday 5th July	Dance Spectacular - 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Friday 7th July	Reception Graduation Reception - Forest School
Monday 10th July	Y6 - Play
Wednesday 12th July	Half Day - 12:00pm
Thursday 13th July to Monday 4th September	Summer Break (school closed)

Summer