

# MAPLE CROSS NEWS

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## ITEMS FROM HOME

Please ensure your child does not bring in any items from home. Items such as pencils, football cards and small toys can easily be lost and misplaced which cause a loss of learning time.

Everything the children need for learning is provided in school. All other items must be left at home.

## OFFICE STAFFING

After many applications and interviews we are delighted to welcome Ms Penny Fairbairn to our office team. The quality of applicants was very high and we were impressed with Ms Fairbairn's passion and commitment to the school. We know she will fit well within the team.

Mrs Fairbairn will be working at the front desk every day between 8.30 - 10.00am and 2.30 - 4.00pm as well as all day Wednesday. I know you will all welcome her when you visit the school office or give school a ring.

## LEARNING TALK – DEVELOPING LEADERSHIP

**SHARPEN THE SAW!** This week we have started to explore the final aspect of Stephen Covey's habits of leadership: sharpen the saw. Like a woodcutter we can not cut a tree with a blunt saw. Rather than continuing with no success we must stop, sharpen the saw and refocus. The four aspects to sharpen are our physical health, mental health, social & emotional health and spiritual health.

We have also had confirmation of our final total raised for Red Nose Day, £270. Many thanks for all your generous donations.

## GOVERNOR TRAINING

This week Sian Edwards and Hannah Trickett attended training on exclusions alongside other Governors and local head teachers.

Back at the January INSET all staff learnt about our new behaviour approach called STEPs. The next step is to involve parents more in what this means and looks like within school.

## OPEN CLASSROOM

Come in and see all your child's learning from this term on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April straight after school.

## FIRST AID

THIS WEEK A NUMBER OF STAFF STARTED THEIR FIRST AID TRAINING. FOR MANY THIS WAS A REFRESHER AND FOR OTHERS IT WAS THE FIRST TIME. EVERYTHING FROM CPR TO FIRST AID KITS WAS COVERED. THERE WAS ALSO A LOT OF TRAINING ON DEFTB MACHINES WHICH WE HOPE TO BE BRINGING TO SCHOOL VERY SOON. THIS HAS BEEN FUNDED BY OUR PTA.