

# MAPLE CROSS NEWS

24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019

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## SPORT'S DAY 2019

Please join us at school from 12.00 noon on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June** for a whole school picnic followed by an afternoon of competitive, relay and fun races. The full programme and details of events will be shared after half term.

Nursery and Footsteps Sport's Day will be hosted in the morning.

## PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Years 1-6, Parent consultations will be taking place on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019. Please book your place by visiting [www.schoolinterviews.co.uk](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk) and use the booking code qm69z

## LEARNING TALK – ASPIRE

As you will know from previous newsletters, we have been focussing on increasing the quality of presentation in books and raising our **Expectations**. We look forward to sharing the visible improvements at our upcoming KS1 & 2 parental consultations. Some of the improvements are staggering.

In January, we introduced our new behavior approach based on Herts STEPs. This is having a positive impact on all pupils and staff across school. It offers the pupils a greater opportunity to learn about their behavior and how to improve it. There is a parent information session in Watford in October, about this approach, led by Adam Hayes who is the lead Behaviour Advisor for Herts and lead of the STEPS approach.

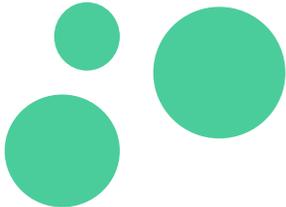
11.45am on **Tuesday 22nd October 2019, The Stanborough Centre, St Albans Road, Watford, WD25 9JL**  
Please book morning tickets following this link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dspl-9-annual-stakeholders-event-morning-ticket-tickets-62299428267>

We wish everyone a restful and enjoyable half term holiday and look forward to our final half term of learning. We return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June ready for the final half term.

Ms Hannah Trickett

## CLASSROOM UPGRADES

With growing financial pressures on school budgets we have been carefully planning future spending projects. In conjunction with the PTA, we will be replacing all boards in classrooms to modern smart screens. These boards cost around £2,000 each and we have seven to purchase. The PTA has also committed to two. If you work for a company who would like to sponsor a board or part of a board please do get in contact.



## ST THOMAS' FLOWER FESTIVAL

As a school we are hoping to enter the St Thomas Flower Festival in July.

We are looking for some creative parents who could lead this and work with groups of children to create an entry from school.

There is planning meeting on Fri 21<sup>st</sup> June at 2pm.

The flower arrangement will need to be completed and placed in the church on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July between 2 and 6pm.

This years theme is poem and poetry.

Please let us know if you are able to help.

## LIBRARY DEVELOPMENTS

One of our key projects for development is our Learning Resource Centre (library). We are looking to update access to iPads and Chrome books as well as creating snug spaces for children to work and access for families after school with a coffee shop vibe. The PTA are currently working hard trying to find finding through grants.

There is also an opportunity for parents and friends to apply for £5,000 worth of book tokens. Please follow the link and apply.

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Mill End Community  
**Celebration Day**

**FREE ENTRY**

**Saturday**

**8<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

**12.00pm to 3.00pm**

Bouncy Assault Course, Music & Dance Performances from Beyond Performing Arts, African Drumming and Dance and other artists, BBQ & Bar, Face & Henna Painting, drumming workshop for kids and much much more...

**FANCY DRESS**

Best Costume wins a  
PRIZE



**DOG SHOW**

various classes plus  
agility.

£2.00 per class.

From 1pm



**Come along and have FUN**

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