



# Maple Class Newsletter

Spring Term 2025

## Welcome

Hello and welcome back after the Christmas break. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and a great start to 2025. We would love to hear about what you got up to over the Christmas holiday.

We have loved welcoming our everyone back into our class and seeing their happy, smiley faces. We have all settled back well and are enjoying exploring the new activities and learning.

Please see the home school diary for what we have done today - please use this for any messages and to let us know how your child has been through the evening and night.

If you have any queries; please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office, in your child's home school diary or email - [emily.pannell@saxon.set.org](mailto:emily.pannell@saxon.set.org)

Many thanks for your continued support, Emily, Kate and Claire

## Our Topic

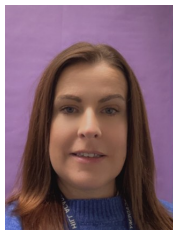
Our topic this term, is 'An Artist and Librarian'. We will be exploring different artistic techniques and listening to music from different 21st century composers. Please let us know if your child has any favourite songs; we will include these in our topic learning.

Thank you!

## Meet the team



Hi, I'm Emily! I am new to Saxon Hill. I like hiking and spending time outdoors with my two little girls.



Hi, I'm Kate! I have worked at Saxon Hill for 3 years. I love paddle-boarding and doing fun things with my 2 children.



Hi, I'm Claire! This is my second year at Saxon Hill. I enjoy football and I am FA trained Level 1 Coaching football and Disability.

Welcome to Maple class!

## Communication and Language

We have a wide variety of methods of communicating in class and this is modelled by staff throughout the day. This includes Intensive Interaction, PODD, Makaton, switches and tactile signing.

In our communication sessions, we will be exploring diaries. We will explore the diary writers (characters).

Our diary for the term is 'The Top Secret Diary of Pig'.

## Thinking and Problem Solving

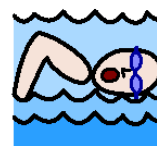
In Thinking and Problem Solving this term, we will be exploring measurement. We will fill and empty containers to increase our understanding of capacity.

We will also continue to think about our bodies and what happens to them when we do activities, such as moving. We will talk about how movement makes our bodies feel.

## Swimming & Rebound

Our hydro session is Monday morning. To give each pupil a meaningful session in the water, we work on a rota. Please ensure that your child has their swimming costume with them each week.

Our rebound session will take place on Tuesday afternoon and we will be working on our physical skills during this session.



## Drinks and snacks

Please send in snacks and squash for your child, if needed. Drinks of water are available throughout the day and we stop for drinks and snacks in the morning and drinks in the afternoon.



## Phonics

Each morning, we have a phonics sessions. This term we will be working on our pre-phonics, exploring environmental sounds and engaging in sound play. Some of us will also continue to explore different phonemes, exploring activities that relate to specific sounds.

## EfL

We love seeing what the pupils get up to at home—it gives us so much that we can talk to them about and they love showing photos to their friends too.

Read or listen to lots of stories too! We will be going to the library each week to get a new book out to share at home.

Please upload photos on to Evidence for Learning and look regularly at the things your child gets up to in school! We love to share with you the fun and progress that they are making.