15th May 2026

Weekly Bulletin

Mapperley Plains Primary School

Next week	Monday 18/5/26	Tuesday 19/5/26	Wednesday 20/5/26	Thursday 21/5/26	Friday 22/5/26
School Events		Swimming (Y5)		Yr 3,4 Parent Event Lucky Plate Day	Celebration Assembly (Invite Only) OPAL Big Build 1-6pm Last day of term
After School Clubs	Cheerleading (F1-Y6)	Gardening Club (Y5/6)	Drama Club (F1-Y6)	Languages Club (KS2) Yr 5/ 6 Boys Football	Summers in time Dance (F1-Y6)

Dear Parents and Carers,

There has been a real sense of positivity across school this week, with children continuing to demonstrate our values of being kind, curious and striving to be their best in classrooms, during wider opportunities and throughout daily school life.

A particular highlight has been the way our Year 6 children have approached their SATs assessments. While SATs are an important national measure, we are incredibly proud that our children understand success is about far more than a test score. Throughout the week, they have shown maturity, perseverance and confidence, supporting one another and continuing to demonstrate resilience and determination each day. Staff have been exceptionally proud of every child and the positive attitude they have brought to the week.

Alongside this, staff have continued working collaboratively to strengthen teaching and learning across the school, with a focus on consistency, independence and helping children build knowledge over time. In the Foundation Stage Unit, the arrival of the ducklings has created daily opportunities for discussion, observation and excitement, with children thoroughly engaged in the experience.

Supporting every child remains central to our work. This week, staff have continued working alongside Katherine Marshall as part of our ongoing anti-bullying development work. These discussions are helping us to further strengthen our approach to relationships, pupil voice and ensuring children feel safe, supported and valued within our school community.

Children have also benefited from wider opportunities beyond the classroom, including representing the school at a cricket event this week. It was wonderful to see the encouragement, teamwork and sportsmanship shown throughout, with children representing Mapperley Plains with pride.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to another positive and productive week ahead.

Kind regards,

Mr P Summers
Headteacher

Be kind.
Be curious.
Be my best.

PTA Quiz Night

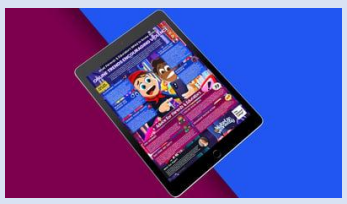
A huge thank you to our fantastic PTA for organising such an enjoyable Quiz Night on Friday evening. The amount of time, effort and planning that goes into these events is greatly appreciated and the support shown by our school community continues to make a real difference to the opportunities we can provide for children at Mapperley Plains.

It was wonderful to see so many families, friends and staff come together for such a positive evening, with plenty of laughter and friendly competition throughout the night. In total, £497 was raised through ticket sales and the bar. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the event. We also have to mention that, despite their best efforts, the staff team came a very respectable third place!

Please look out for future PTA events and opportunities to get involved over the coming weeks.

Lucky Plate Day

Lucky Plate Day will take place on Thursday 21st May. The school meal option on the day will be pizza and chips. As a reminder, school meals are free for all children in Reception to Year 2 and we hope as many children as possible will join us for lunch on the day. For children in Year 3 and above, school dinners should be paid for in advance using School Gateway.



What Parents and Educators Need to Know about Online Grooming

Online grooming is a growing and deeply concerning threat, with thousands of offences recorded each year in the UK. This edition explores how offenders build trust with children through fake identities, flattery, gifts and group chats before exploiting that relationship. With practical advice on spotting warning signs, creating open conversations and understanding the platforms children use, this resource empowers parents and educators to intervene early and keep young people safer online.

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Date	Description	Timings	New Date
19.05.26	Yr 3 and 4 Parent Event	Info on Dojo	
21.05.26	Lucky Plate Day	Info on Dojo to follow	
21.05.26	House Challenge		
22.05.26	Celebration Assembly	Invitation Only	
22.05.26	Opal Big Build	13:00 – 18:00	X
22.05.26	Last day of term (one week half term)		
23.05.26	Opal Big Build	9:00 – 13:00	X
May Half Term 25.05.26 – 29.05.26			
01.06.26	INSET DAY – School Closed		
02.06.26	All pupils return to school		
04.06.26	Yr 6 Residential parents meeting	15.45 - 16.15	
16.06.26	Yr 6 Swimming Starts		
19.06.26	Drumming Performance		
22.06.26	F2 New starters Stay and Play	TBC	
22.06.26	Yr 2 Plant Adventures Visit to Bestwood Lodge		
23.06.26	Yr 3 and 4 Sports Day	9:30	
24.06.26	Yr 5 and 6 Sports Day	9:30	
25.06.26	Yr 6 Induction Day (Arnold Hill Spencer Academy)		
25.06.26	Celebration Afternoon tea	14.30 Invitation Only	
26.06.26	Yr 6 Induction Day (Arnold Hill Spencer Academy)		
29.06.26	Yr 1 Plant Adventures Trip to Bestwood Lodge		
30.06.26	F1 Sports Day	9.00 -10.30	

01.07.26	Yr 6 Walesby Residential		
07.07.26	F2 Sports Day	9.00 -10.30	
13.07.26	KS1 Toy Workshop	TBC	
13.07.26	KS2 Performance Yr5/6 and Sycamore	9:30	
14.07.26	KS1 Toy Workshop	TBC	
14.07.26	KS2 Performance Yr 5/6 and Elm	9:30	
15.07.26	KS2 Performance Yr 5/6 and Chestnut	9:30	
16.07.26	Yr 1/2 Sports Day	9.15	
17.07.26	Yr 1 MHST Workshop	TBC	
17.07.26	PTA Summer Fair		X
23.07.26	Yr 6 Leavers Assembly	9:30	
23.07.26	Yr 6 Leavers Disco	16:00	
24.07.26	Celebration Assembly	9:10 (Invitation only)	
25.06.26	F2 New Starters Stay and Play	TBC	
27.07.26	Last day of the term		
INSET Days 2026 – 2027			
Tuesday 1 September 2026			
Wednesday 2 September 2026			
Friday 16 October 2026			
Friday 29 January 2027			
Monday 7 June 2027			

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