

Maplewell Newsletter

Preparing for Adulthood

Issue 26

Main site Duke of Edinburgh:

Our Year 11 D OF E have been building different things in the woods.



Kind Donation:

The kind people of Fellowes have donated new Desk Top Shelves for the school. Photo of Mr. Brooks and Ellie. Many thanks to Ellie's Uncle Ronnie.



Science:



This week, 7C students in science have been looking at scientists and inventors! As part of this topic, the students were challenged to invent their own structure using Lego. Take a look at the wonderful things they have created in groups! Excellent work Year 7!



Reminders:

- When you are traveling around school, please make sure you are quiet. This is due to exams. Thank you!



- Please also remember that Maplewell is a nut free school. Please refrain from sending your child to school with any snacks containing nuts. Thank you!

THIS SCHOOL IS NUT FREE



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KEY DATES

Half Term Break

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June

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KEY DATES

Year 11 Rewards Day!

Friday 22nd June

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KEY DATES

Year 11 Leavers Day (All Day)

Year 11 Rewards Evening 5PM – 7PM

Friday 23rd June

Prom night

PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE
 The Maplewell Hall School 2023
 Prom for Year 11,12,13 & 14
 Students

Lets have some fun!

Friday 30th June 2023
 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Please wear formal attire

Maplewell Hall School, Maplewell Road, Woodhouse
 Eaves, LE12 8QY

Please RSVP to Rebecca Rosie ASAP on
 r.rosie@maplewell.leics.sch.uk or
 01509 891 906

Maplewell Summer Fete and Maypedalwell sportive event:

The summer fete and bike event was a huge success, over £5,800 has been raised towards the Thailand expedition, with students and staff working tirelessly for the weeks prior, to plan, prepare and set up the event. With giant bubbles, a dinosaur on a bouncy castle and games and food galore, a great time was had by all. All bikers returned in great spirits and the feedback was very good for the beautiful route. General consensus is that the event should become an annual one! A huge thank you to all that came, helped, supported or donated to the event.



Main Site Rewards Day!

At Maplewell, students are given points at the end of a lesson, these points go towards the Rewards Day at the end of each term. Well done to all students!



Post 16 Coronation Window

Post 16 have taken part in the Coalville CAN Coronation Window Display. Well done everyone!



Could you help provide opportunities for our students?

We are always looking for local businesses that will inspire and educate our students and expand our curriculum. If you can provide work experience, please give us a call on 01509 891906.

School Fate Donations!

We would like to say a **BIG** thank you to everyone that donated to our School Summer Fate. These donations went towards the raffle/tombola.

Clarin's Gift Set - [Jackie Walkers Loughborough](#)

25 Min Back Massage @ Beauty Temple - [Beauty Temple Loughborough](#)

Free MOT at Thornton's Garage - [Emma & Jamie Kendrick](#)

Flower Gift Voucher - [College's Florist Whitwick](#)

£50 Laser Cutting of your choice - [Nathan James](#)

18 Holes of Golf for 4 @ Charnwood Golf Club - [Charnwood Golf Club](#)

A Round of Golf for 4 @ Forest Hill Golf Club - [Forest Hill Golf Club](#)

£20 Voucher for Birch Tree - [Birch Tree](#)

Meal for 2 from the set menu at the Curzon Arms - [Curzon Arms](#)

A Pony Care morning at Brooks Equestrian - [Angel Brooks](#)

A Pet Portrait - [Rebecca Rosie](#)

A Voucher for Woodhouse Eaves Butchers - [Johnsons Butchers](#)

Hairdresser voucher - [Mewie's Hairdressers](#)

A Lavender Eye Bag - [The Home of Homemade](#)

2 x Mini Bottles with Hip Flask - [Staff Donation](#)

A Bottle of Cherry Vanilla Gin - [Staff Donation](#)

A Bottle of Plymouth Gin - [Staff Donation](#)

A Bottle of Cointreau - [Staff Donation](#)

A Bottle of Wine - [Staff Donation](#)

A Handmade Cushion - [Staff Donation](#)

Resting Seal Tote Bag - [Irish Clothing Company Loughborough](#)

St Eval Cucumber and Black Pepper Candle - [Gallery 18](#)

St Eval Thyme and Mint Candle - [Gallery 18](#)

Kids Dino Backpack - [Stuarts Leather and Travel Goods shop](#)

Fat Giraffe Pug Purse - [Stuarts Leather and Travel Goods shop](#)

Crystal Pendant - [Crystals Under the Moon](#)



Maplewell's Arts Week; First Day:

We had the first workshop for Maplewell Arts Week, with Tom and Jake from Graffwerk doing a workshop with our year 9 and 10 students. The workshop was based on Street Art and in particular the artist Keith Haring who wanted to make art accessible to everyone. Students looked at his artwork and using his style designed characters which depicted things about Maplewell which they were proud of. This included their favourite subjects, activities they do and the friendships they have made. Next week Graffwerk will return and they will work with our students to create a spray-painted mural on the wall in our Sensory Garden, using the designs created. The students involved had a great day and are looking forward to seeing their designs on the wall for all to see.



Maplewell's Art Week Writeup:



On the 24th - 28th April we celebrated Maplewell Arts Week, with creative activities happening all week. Graffwerk came in for a three-day workshop. Day one saw year 9 and 10 GCSE students designing their own characters inspired by Keith Haring. The characters represent elements of Maplewell that the students appreciate. These included different subjects, social aspects and even walking the school dogs! During the following two days, students from year 7, 9 and our GCSE students, transferred the designs onto the wall in our Sensory Garden. Some students were confident enough to enlarge their drawings and spray paint the whole piece themselves, others had help from Graffwerks to enlarge their piece, and add the colour. We secured funding to have local artist Nita Rao return to the school for two days and work with all the year 8 students. She helped them to create giant woven willow dragonflies which will go on display at the Sculpture Trail at Beacon Hill, June to September. This is a free sculpture trail which students can visit with their family and friends over the summer, and see the fabulous dragonflies on display. During reading time students discussed the merits of digital art, supported by news articles, and read extracts from a novel in which paintings start to weep real tears. We also ran competitions for KS3 and a House Competition where students painted tiles which will be joined together to make a large-scale art piece. Our fabulous Art Therapy team and other staff members also put on creative drop-in sessions over lunchtimes, which all students could take part in. These included printing, painting, embroidery, book art, collage and mandala art.



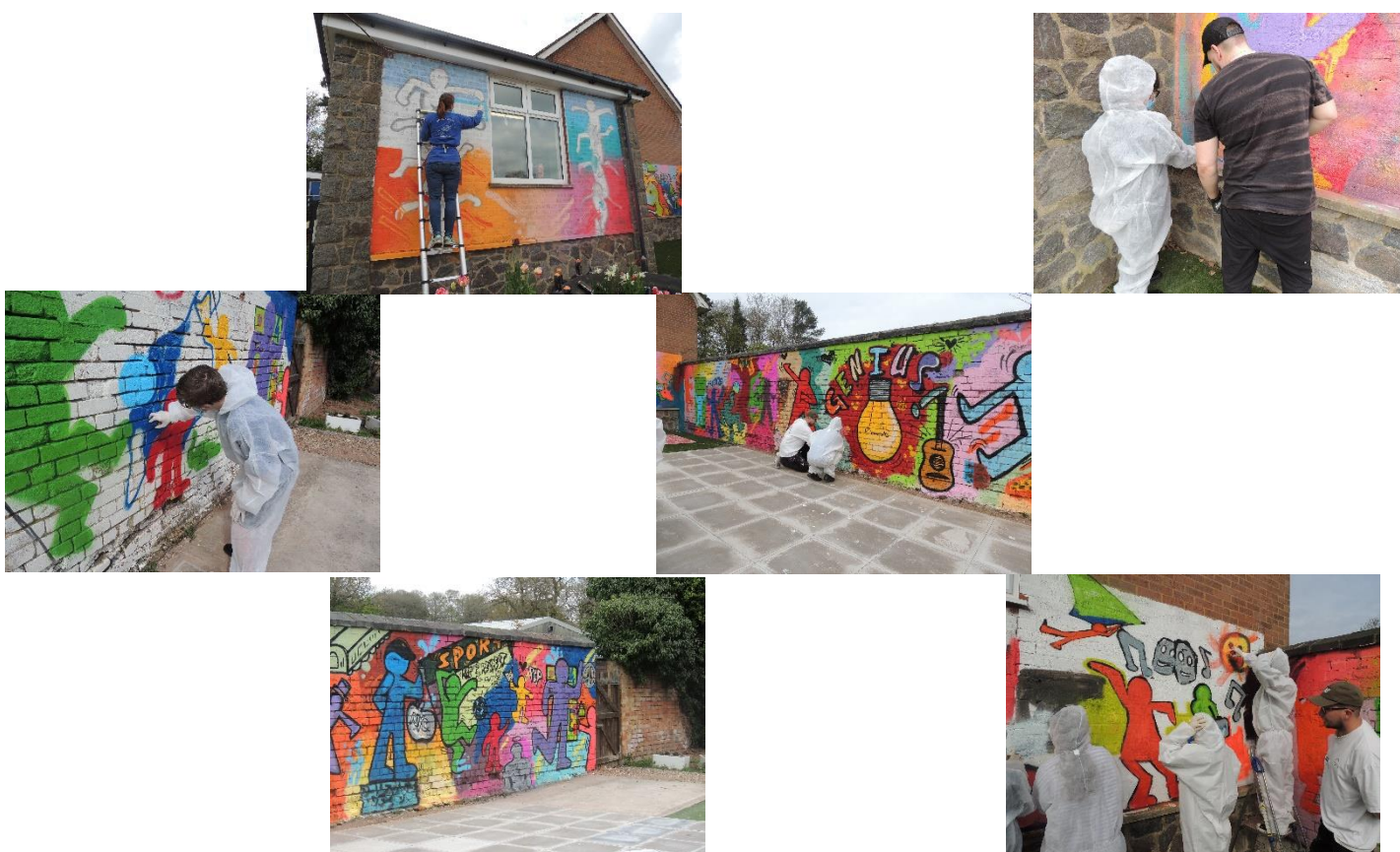
Winning entries from Recreate an Artwork Competition:

As part of Maplewell Arts Week, Key Stage Three students were encouraged to recreate a famous art piece. They could do this in any way they wished with some drawing the images and others using still life pieces or modelling themselves, and taking photographs. Students were very imaginative, some even roping in family and pets to help them. Judges struggled to choose just one winner, so they decided to give prizes to Dollie, Luke and Martha for their fabulous entries. Special mention went to Danyal for his entry, which made the judges laugh! All students who took part received a small prize.



Coronation Art Celebration:

On the 6th May it is the coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla. We have been celebrating with students designing crowns to wear, decorating bunting and making paper chains which will decorate their classrooms and the dining hall, ready for our afternoon tea on the 5th May. Luke and Estelle also painted a fantastic picture of the King and Queen which is on display in our reception area.



Gardening Club:

The Main Site gardening club sent Mr. Brooks a letter explaining who is involved, reasons why they started the gardening club, how it all started, update on how it is going, how it's being funded and the end goal.

Well done everyone!



“Dear Mr Brooks

This is the gardening club and we are going to talk to you about the gardening club and its progress.

First thing we will be talking about is how we started this club

The first concept of this club was bought to us by our teaching assistant Ms. C with the prospect of us raiding funds for an upcoming trip to Thailand and also using the club as a way to develop our skills and understanding of plants, and then a couple weeks later we finally began work on the shed and the green house.

The first thing we began to do was clean the shed, this was because it was going to be (and still is) the base of operations, we started to sweep the floors, tidy up draws and cupboards and organize other equipment used by the DofE team, we also separated half of the shed to be our and the other half to be the DofE teams side, we did this by getting someone to create two signs, one for the gardening club, and one for DofE. We keep all our dangerous equipment in a locker to keep it away from unmonitored students that could come across them. Once we had sorted out the whole shed, we started planting the fruits and veg that Ms. C had previously bought from the garden centre such as onions, rhubarb, tomatoes, carrots and potatoes for starters. Once we had potted all of the plants, we decided to put the majority of the plants (that needed the most sunlight), into the greenhouse to help with the rapid growth of the plants.

We aim to have a plentiful harvest by winter so that we can regrow our plants, sell the plants and give some to the kitchen staff so that they can use the fruit and veg for future meals.

This has been the gardening team and thank you for coming to our ted talk.

Yours Sincerely

Jacob B

Lewis A

George P”



Staff Trip:

A wonderful caving trip was experienced by 10 adventurous employees of Maplewell on May bank holiday. The trip involved exploring Giants Hole in Castleton, and Bagshaw Cavern in Bradwell. Lots of fun was had by all! A special thanks goes to Karen for driving the minibus, to Lyni for organising, and to Hannes the Outdoor Pursuits Instructor for his enabling and professional expertise!



Art Wellbeing Group:



The Compass Art Wellbeing Lunch Group is run weekly by Maplewell's Art Therapy team (in Therapy Room 1). Each week we have some amazing creations. The students have access to a variety of art materials like clay, paints and artist's marker pens. Sometimes, we play games and just have interesting conversations. It's nice to see students from different classes and year groups, although our year 7 are the most enthusiastic attendees! If anyone is interested to come along, we are always happy to see you.



Year 9 "Behind The Headlines" workshop:



Students from Year 9 have taken part in a 'Behind The Headlines' workshop with Misoon from The Guardian. They have learnt about different types of fake news, and how to keep themselves safe when reading and sharing information online. Students are now trained 'Media Ambassadors' and will be visiting reading time next week, to teach other students about what they have learnt. This was a fantastic opportunity for our students and they took part with confidence and enthusiasm. Well done everyone!

