

MAPLEWELL NEWSLETTER

Preparing for Adulthood

Bonfire Display 2023

We would like to thank everyone involved for another successful Bonfire night. The fireworks as always were incredible, and it was great to see so many of you there!



MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Great News! We raised £595.24 at our recent Macmillan Coffee Morning. Thank you to everyone who came and supported the event.



CHILDREN IN NEED FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2023

BE SPOTACULAR

We will be selling our Pudsey Bear biscuits on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday break time next week at Maplewell Hall and Post 16 for 75p each. Students are able to donate £1 and come to school on Friday 17th November in their most SPOTacular outfit.

Important Dates to Remember

Friday 17th
November 2023

Children In Need
2023



Monday 20th
November 2023

Staff Training Day



Thursday 7th
December 2023

Christmas Jumper Day



Thursday 7th
December 2023

Post 16 Christmas
Fair



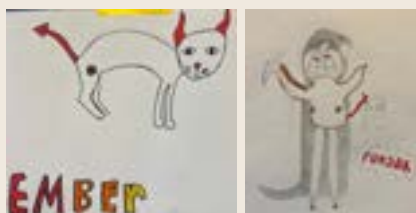
Saturday 9th
December 2023

Woodhouse Eaves site
Christmas Fair
11AM - 4PM



Art

We have some fantastic artists at Maplewell and three of them have had their art work chosen to be exhibited in the Leicester Open Exhibition this year. Elliot L, Emily M and Lily B took photos of their friends, adapted them using a digital art programme and then drew and painted large scale pieces using their digital images as inspiration. Lily worked in ink, applying it with a brush, Elliot painted his piece and Emily used coloured pencils and collage. The exhibition will be at Leicester Museum and Art Gallery, New Walk, Leicester, 16th December, 2023 to the 19th January, 2024. Entry is free and work from artists across the East Midlands will be exhibited.



9MSS Art Trip

This week 9MSS visited the Art Department of De Montfort University in Leicester. They took part in a drawing workshop inspired by the current Monster Exhibition that is in Leicester, where giant monsters are taking over buildings around the city. Students designed their own monsters, both individually and as groups, using different drawing techniques. They also learnt a bit more about the university and university life, including courses they could do and facilities in the university buildings. They were particularly interested in the university accommodation for students who live on campus.

Performing Arts

We welcomed back Carrot Productions on the 28th September to perform the Ugly Duckling and more musical Beasts. It was a fantastic day and students and staff were taken back by the talent of the musicians and how inclusive they all were.

Quote from Carrot Productions -

"What a treat it was to return to your wonderful school. It was absolutely one of the best days, we've had over 60+ performances at special schools. The way they responded so freely and enthusiastically was truly inspirational."



Young Carers

Hi All,

My name is Mrs Rafferty and I work in compass. My job is to support all students here at Maplewell Hall and at Post-16.



Sometimes you may need support with friendships, behaviour and self-esteem. As part of my role, I'm looking for any students who maybe a young carer.

What is a young carer?

A young carer is someone who looks after a family member. It may be mum, dad, brother, sister, or another member of the family.

Perhaps you have to do the shopping, or clean the house. Maybe you have a sibling that needs help.

I am here to support you!

Every month on a Thursday lunchtime, I will be in Compass. We can have lunch together, chat about how things are going and what support you might require. Sometimes you may have forgotten items for school, or haven't had any breakfast. You can come to Compass first thing in the morning and the staff there will support you with what you need.

I'm based at Post-16 Monday and Wednesday, Tuesday and Thursday you'll find me at main site.

Please come and introduce yourself to me. A hot chocolate will be waiting for you.

Post 16 Enterprise

The Post 16 Students who attend the Young Enterprise Team at Coalville CAN would like to thank everyone who bought our hand crafted Halloween gifts. We raised over £150 for the Enterprise!

Our next project was to make felt poppies which are on sale ahead of Remembrance Sunday. There may be a few left at reception as you read this! We are requesting donations of £1 or more, and will donate the proceeds to the Royal British Legion.

This week, we have pressed on with gifts and decorations for Christmas. These will be for sale in school and at our Christmas Fairs, so please watch out for further news.

Many thanks

Post 16 Young Enterprise Students at Coalville CAN



Thailand 2023

This October we have had the pleasure to take 17 aspirational and utterly inspiring young people on an expedition to Thailand. The students spent 5 days doing voluntary work at the Elephant Sanctuary, this included cleaning out the enclosures, building walls, general elephant husbandry cleaning, scrubbing and cooking authentic Thai food for the whole team. All the students worked incredibly hard and despite the humidity and high temperatures, did so with smiles on their faces. After 5 days of volunteering (with a few river swims and a turtle sanctuary visit thrown in) the students had 2 days of down time with paddle boarding, a local festival, a longtail boat visit to James Bond Island and kayaking!!

I am incredibly proud of all the young people involved and how they were able to travel to the other side of the world, 2 x 6 hr plus flights, airports, transits, different foods and cultures.

A huge thanks must go to the team that took the students and were on duty for 24hrs for 11 days, and Venture Force, who led this trip and trusted that our students could do it. A special thank you to all of those that have supported us in the fundraising efforts to do this trip, now to start again for Thailand 2025!



Maplewell Hall

BTEC Years 10 and 11

Present

ROALD DAHL'S
Matilda
THE MUSICAL JR.

Wednesday 13th March

Doors open: 6:00

Curtains up: 6:30

Approximate running time: 1 hour 30

Ticket prices to be confirmed

YOUNG CARERS

If you're a young carer, you probably look after one of your parents or care for a brother or sister. You may do extra jobs in and around the home, such as cooking, cleaning, or helping someone get dressed and move around. You may also give a lot of physical help to a parent, brother, or sister who's disabled or ill. Along with doing things to help your brother or sister, you may be giving them and your parents emotional support too.



**MAPLEWELL
1ST EDITION**



**WHO
CARES?**

Maplewell Cares!

We would like to offer further support to our young carers. We understand how hard this can be! We will be offering termly groups, family support and a friendly face whenever you need some someone to talk to. More information to follow.....

