

# Maple & Acorn News

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Stars of the Week

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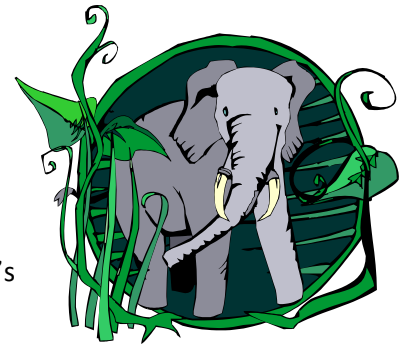
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## Our Next Learning Challenge is Rumble in the Jungle

**WOW** starter – We will introduce the new topic of Rumble in the Jungle by showing the children a backpack, which could be used to go on a jungle expedition, inside there will be a selection of items that could be taken. The children will look at each of the items and discuss.

**FAB** finish- We will be having a jungle party and dressing up as different jungle animals. The children will have the opportunity to have their face painted to match their costume.

**Personal, Social and Emotional** – the children will use the self register jungle picture every morning. We will be looking at the theme – “It’s Good to be me!” by having circle time discussions about our different personalities, looking at children’s faces and discussing how they are feeling through their expressions. They will be showing care and concern for living things and the environment by looking at the different animals in the jungle.



**Communication, Language and Literacy** – We will be using a selection of jungle books throughout the term which include Walking in the Jungle by Julie Lacombe, Rumble in the Jungle by Giles Andreae and David Wojtowycz, The Monkey Puzzle by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler, Why Elephant has a Trunk by Claudia Lloyd. The children will attempt writing for different purposes by making a postcard, writing a story and a poem.

**Problem Solving, Reason and Maths** - looking at the repeating patterns on the jungle animals, begin to use vocabulary of addition and subtraction in practical activities, finding out the total number of animals in two groups by counting them all and by finding out 1 more and 1 less than a given number.

**Knowledge and Understanding of the World** - Finding out information about jungles, where we would find them by looking at non-fiction books. The children will be looking at the different animals that live in the jungle. We will be finding out what to pack in a backpack for a jungle expedition. The children will be looking at the variety of habitats for each of the animals.

**Physical Development** - We will be moving like different jungle animals, after listening to Carnival of the Animals.

**Creative Development** - the children will be creating animal masks, printing jungle patterns, creating their own miniature jungle in a show box and adding a different jungle animal each week.



Reading afternoon will return after half term on WEDNESDAY afternoons at 2.50pm.

This term our favourite learning has been ... playing in the snow: building snowmen, throwing snowballs and making snow pictures.



Making snowmen and snowflakes



Enjoying the snow!



#### Reminders:

Parents enjoying our **FAB** finish.

- To bring in Green Phonics book for new sounds every Friday
- To help your child learn the new sounds for the week, if you are unsure please come in and ask to help support your child with their learning
- To encourage your child to recognise the words in the phonics books by sight and not by sounding them out individually.
- To let us know of any special learning by using the slip below
- Acorn PE is on Tuesday and Thursday and Maple PE is on Monday and Wednesday
- For each child to bring in a shoe box to make a miniature jungle

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Special learning: