



Maids Moreton C of E School

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Newsletter No 6. February 2024

Dear Parents,

Please find below my final newsletter of the half term. I hope you all have a lovely half term break. We look forward to seeing the children return on Monday 19th February.

Interschool Sports Competitions

In the next half term, there are a number of interschool sports competitions in the diary, as part of the 2023-2024 festival package. This includes Year 5/6 handball, Year 1/2 target ball, Year 5/6 netball and Year 3/4 basketball. I will send out information to the relevant year groups nearer the time. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the teaching staff for freely giving of their own time to take the children to these after school events. I know how much the children have enjoyed the competitions.

Interschool Cross Country Event

Mr Troup and myself have affiliated the school to the Aylesbury Vale Athletics Association who organise a big cross country event in Spring and an evening athletics competition in the Summer at Stoke Mandeville Stadium. The events are for children in Key Stage 2. Mr Troup and I have both worked previously in schools in Aylesbury, and have taken children to these events, which are competitive and an opportunity to compete on a bigger stage. The Cross country will take place at Ascott House in Wing on **Saturday 16th March from 11am-1pm**. We will be selecting a squad to represent the school nearer the time. There are separate races for Lower and Upper Key Stage 2, and for girls and boys. We compete in the smaller schools event. We will be having some practise sessions to build the children's stamina and prepare them during PE lessons. On these days we will give you prior notice and request the children bring in old trainers or football boots. We may use the village playing field for our training. This is covered in your parental consent for visiting the village, church and care home.



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Singing workshop

Julia Whitbread, one of our school governors is coming into school on **Friday 23rd February** to do a series of singing workshops with all year groups. Julia is the Director Music at Bancroft's School in Essex. We are delighted that she is going to provide this opportunity for our pupils.

Book View Session

Just a reminder that there will be an opportunity for you to view your child's work with your children between 3.30pm and 4.15pm on **Friday 23rd February**. During this session, your child will be able to share their school work with you. **NB children must stay in the room and sit with their parents during this session.** The book view session applies to parents of children in all year groups including Reception.

Choir events

Next half term the choir will sing at Maids Moreton Hall as well as at the village soup kitchen. This will be another great opportunity for them to perform.

Sponsored Skills

The PTA sponsored skills will take place on **Friday 1st March**. You will receive a separate letter from the PTA about this event.

World Book Day

On **Thursday 7th March** we will be taking part in activities linked to World Book Day. You will receive a separate letter from Mrs Bristow about this event.

We would like the children to come to school dressed as a character from a book. Please make sure your costume is inspired by a book rather than a film. We also request no football kits or superheroes outfits please. Every child will also receive a £1 book token.

Latest News

Activities planned with Maids Moreton Hall Care Home

On **Thursday 7th March**, the Reception children will be visiting Maids Moreton Hall Care Home to listen to stories as part of World Book Day. On **Tuesday 26th March**, our Year 1 children will be visiting to make Easter decorations. There are more events being planned for other year groups in the Summer term, which we will share with you nearer the time.



Class photos

Whole class photographs will take place on **Thursday 14th March from 9am**. Please ensure your child is wearing their **correct winter uniform** for this occasion and not PE kit. [White shirt, tie, school jumper/cardigan]. Thank you.

Year 3 cake sale

The Year 3 cake sale will take place on **Friday 22nd March** after school. Please remember some loose cash on the day in order to make a purchase. Thank you for your support.



Easter

We will be holding our annual Easter competition at the end of the Spring term. This year, we would like the children to decorate an egg on the theme **scientists and inventors**. In order to give as much notice as possible for the designs to be made, I would ask that entries arrive in school on **Monday 25th March** in order for judging to take place. Please ensure that all designs are clearly named along with the year group and that the finished entry is as much as possible work by your own child, with minimal help from yourselves! The entries will be judged in year groups, with 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes and will be awarded at the Easter Service to be held in school on **Thursday 28th March** at 2.00 p.m. Please keep this date free in your diaries.



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Sporting Competitions

A team of children from Sparrows class had a great time participating in the invasion games tournament at Buckingham Primary School. We were very proud of their team spirit, enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Tonight a team of children from Magpies will attend the Year 3/4 football tournament.



Visits.

This term, children in Kestrels, Sparrows and Robins classes have had the opportunity to take part in offsite visits to enhance their curricular learning. This has included visits to the Oxford Dinosaur Museum, the Music Trust singalong and the MK Mosque.



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NPSCC Number Day

The children and staff really enjoyed participating in the NPSCC number day. We were really impressed by all the children's outfits with our younger children dressing as digits and our older children dressing as rockstars. The final results for the national TT Rockstars competition placed our school as 30th out of 3515 schools, which was quite an achievement. In the South East region we placed 5th! The top 3 scorers in each class [based on the total score achieved in 60 minutes], were as follows-

Kestrels-

1st Alice with 2864 2nd Lily J with 1657 3rd Oliver with 1508.

Magpies-

1st Ben with 2217 2nd Nathan with 2145 3rd Isaac with 2035.

Well done to everyone who took part.



Best Wishes, Keira Ainsworth, Head Teacher. 6th February 2024

