



# Midsomer Norton Primary School

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Even before Friday's heavy snowfall, the wintry weather presented plenty of opportunities for our younger children to explore and develop their language. I spent a fantastic morning in our Early Years classes last week. You would be amazed at what children can do with the ice found in the water trays! Never ones to miss an opportunity, the staff were straight in supporting the children's language and vocabulary development related to all things wintry.



The weather did force the postponement of Thursday evening's 'Speak Out' Public Speaking Competition at Norton Hill. We will publish the new date as soon as it has been confirmed.

## Children's Mental Health Week/ Internet Safety

This week is Children's Mental Health Week. We will be developing the children's awareness of mental health and the importance of talking about it throughout the week. Key highlights will be today, Monday, when our Champions for Change will introduce the week in assembly and on Thursday when we mark #Liftmeup Day. Watch out for our social media posts throughout the week.



The internet is a wonderful thing but needs to be used with care. We will also be marking Safer Internet Day next week, looking at what it means to give consent when it comes to sharing data on line.

## Sport

Midsomer Norton Primary School Teams were in action in two events last week. On Monday, we entered two teams into the Midsomer Norton Competition. Our Level 2 gymnasts came 2nd and the Level 1 gymnasts came 6th. Darcy and Emilia came 2nd and 3rd individually in their competitions. Well done to all!

In netball, our second team lost to Paulton in the B&NES Netball Cup but showed incredible spirit despite playing a much older and more experienced team. They never gave up and were a credit to their school. You did us proud!

## Staffing - farewell and welcome back

After half-term we will be welcoming back Mrs Hinder from her maternity leave to teach Pluto class Monday - Wednesday. This means, of course, that Mr Rye will sadly be leaving us. I would like to thank Mr Rye for his dedication and hard work during his time teaching the class since September and wish him all the best in his new school. I know he will be missed!



We offer breakfast and after school care on School premises. Please sign up on ParentPay or pop into the office to find out more.

Please book school dinners on ParentPay, they need to be booked 48 hours in advance

Mrs Hinder spent a day in school last week and will do so again next week to get to know the class - many of whom she has taught before. At the upcoming parents' evenings after half-term parents and carers will be able to meet both Mrs Hinder and Mrs Miller to discuss their child's progress.

### Parents' Evenings

Our second set of Parents' Evenings of the year will be on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February. Please look out for this week's letter detailing how to book on line.

### Great Art Exhibition

Timed to coincide with the Parents' Evenings so that parents and carers are able to come and see our children's fantastic work we would like to invite you to our Midsomer Norton Primary School Great Art Exhibition 2019. Please see today's letter for full details.

### Key Stage 1 Revamp Morning

And finally, we are looking for volunteers to help out Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March 9:00am-1:00pm to help us revamp the Key Stage 1 area. Handy with a paint brush? Love assembling flat pack furniture? Then please see today's letter for further details.

Best wishes,  
Alun Randell  
Head teacher

### Head Teacher Awards

Flynn Jack Jeannie Isaac  
Alyssa Dexter Ella-Rose  
Esther Jasmine Angel

### Gold Awards

For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Charlie Leah Loujain William  
Victoria Tyler Buster  
Thomas Maya

### Birthdays

Alfie Olivia Josh Libbie Cora  
Chloe William

### Attendance Champions of the week

1 <sup>st</sup>	Earth	96.9%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pluto	96.4%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Venus	95.5%



## News



Don't forget that you can catch up with what's going on in school on our twitter feed:

<https://twitter.com/MSNPrimary>

All letters are uploaded to the school website

