# Midsomer Norton Primary School

Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

### Dear Parents/ Carers,

Your child will bring a letter home today stating their class and class teacher for next year. In addition, an important letter has been sent home explain staffing changes and our structure for next year. Each year we always have a number of staff leave for a wide range of reasons from seeking a new challenge to relocating; however, this year we find ourselves in a position where we have had no choice but to make redundancies amongst our support staff due to the financial challenges facing the school. Schools across the country are being forced into such decisions and the term 'funding crisis' is not an exaggeration. With our political leaders seemingly unable to focus on anything other than Brexit, it is critical that parents make their views known to their MP. This is not a crisis that will affect children in a few years' time. It is happening now.

We will continue to do all that we can to provide the best education possible for our children but, now more than ever, we need the support of our parents, carers, grandparents etc as volunteers in school and to support fundraising events. If you are able to help in any way we would love to hear from you.

### Thank you to the Sperring Trust and Williamson-Dickie

On that note, I would like to say a huge thank you to a fantastic local charitable trust -

the Sperring Trust - for donating £2,200 to fund the purchase of 8 ipads. I would also like to say a huge thank you to local firm, Williamson-Dickie who have donated 5 PCs to replace our aging machines. Although no longer of use to the company the specification is such that they will be a significant upgrade for us. Maintaining and replacing out-of-date IT hardware is a significant challenge for schools (for example 26 of the laptops we have in school are at least 6 years old) so these donations are gratefully received.

### Sports

We had a terrific afternoon of athletics yesterday at St Benedict's School for the Quadkids event. Over the two hours of competition, all ten of our children took part in a 75m sprint, a team sprint relay, vortex throw, long jump and a gruelling 600m run. They gave every drop of energy and as the results were announced we were delighted to find out we finished 2nd out of 16 teams. We now go to the County Finals on the 2nd July in Bristol. Well done everyone!

### Sports Day

Our rearranged Sports Day is on Thursday. Fingers crossed the good weather holds out! Please ensure your child brings a packed lunch except for the 9 that ordered previously.

### Shuffle Up Day

Our current pupils will 'shuffle up' to their next class on Thursday 4th July and the morning of Tuesday 9th July to have a taster of what school life will be like in September with their new class.



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

### **Online Book Shop**

Visit our <u>scholastic book shop</u> to but books to shop and the school receives 25p for every £1 spent! All funds raised will be spent on books for our library



### Healthy packed lunches

Please ensure that your child's lunchbox is healthy and does not include items that contain nuts. Also Nursery snacks should not contain biscuits, cakes or chocolate. No fizzy drinks are allowed in school. Drinks bottles that children have in the class should only contain water.

### Library Books

These will be issued up until today and we ask that they are all returned to school by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July. Thank you. For parents/ carers of children in Reception moving to Year 1, we will be holding a short introduction to Key Stage 1 Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2:30-3:00pm. Our Year 6s will have their Transition Day on Thursday 4th July when they spend their day at secondary school.

### NHS Survey

We have been asked to share this link by one of our parents: <a href="http://www.bswstp.nhs.uk/ourhealthourfuture/">http://www.bswstp.nhs.uk/ourhealthourfuture/</a>

This very short survey enables you to help shape NHS provision locally in coming years. We'll also be asking our Year 5& 6 children what they think - as it is important that the voices of young people are heard.

### Summer Fayre

And finally it is our Summer Fayre tomorrow 3pm - 6pm and the weather looks good. We hope you are able to join us for what promises to be an afternoon of relaxed fun, good food and music. A big thank you in advance to our PTA committee members and all their volunteers for helping put on what is always our biggest fundraising event of the year.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Randell Headteacher

👾 Head Teacher Awards 秦					
	Jessica Ryan		Leila e Chloe		
Gold Awards For demonstrating exemplary behaviour					
Harry	Cruz	Archie	Kalen		
Ellie	Jacob	Caitlin	Remy		
Jas	mine L	ibby	Ffion		
🛓 Birthdays					
Jesse	Morgan	Reece	Maruva		
Liam	Summer	Harry	Madison		
Elsie					

### Attendance Champions of the week

Joint 1 <sup>st</sup>	Mars	97.8%
	Uranus	97.8%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jupiter	96.1%



## News



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

https://twitter.com/MSNPrimary



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All letters are uploaded to the school website.



Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> June Summer Fayre Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> July Shuffle up day