



Midsomer Norton Primary School

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

What lovely weather to finish off the term! Our children have also been shining as they challenge themselves in their learning. Our Learning Power this term has been Emerald Power - Being Ambitious. Each term, our children earn gems which we collect in our 'accumulator' in assembly on Fridays to earn rewards. This term they have filled the accumulator so we finished with a whole school reward - free time with a biscuit and a cup of squash before our usual Greenie time. Well done to all of our children. Next term our learning power is Sapphire Power - Being Resilient.

World Book Day/ Book at Bed time

Developing a love of reading is one of the most important things we can do as teachers and as parents/carers. Children need to learn the mechanics of how to read and practice regularly at home so that they develop fluency in reading. Eventually, everything clicks and children realise that the reward in terms of enjoyment is worth the effort they have to put in. The more we can ensure reading is enjoyable the more motivated the children are. We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. As always, children are invited to come dressed as their favorite book character. At 5:00pm on that day we will also be enjoying Book at Bedtime. The children are invited to come back to school in their pyjamas to enjoy a hot chocolate and biscuit and listen to stories read by staff.



Jupiter Class skyped Sophie Anderson this week - author of their class novel.

Online Book Shop

Unfortunately, we have found in-school book fairs are no longer viable. Instead we are strongly recommending the scholastic online book shop. Follow this link <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/midsomer-norton> to shop and the school receives 25p for every £1 spent. All funds raised will be spent on books for our library.

"Six times a year, we reveal a brand new Book Club selection of quality children's books at discounted prices. The books we offer are carefully chosen to get children reading for pleasure - and to keep them reading right through their teenage years"

Scholastic Website

Sports

Our football team played their first two league matches of year this week, showing great determination throughout both the games. They are still a relatively new team and so lost 4-1 to St Johns but pushed newly crowned county champions Peasedown 3-2 on Monday. Well done to everyone who took part over the two matches.

Red Nose Day

We will be selling red noses via the office to help raise money for this fantastic cause from after half-term. 150 noses have been ordered!

Thank You!

Big thank you to Jack and Emily who donated a scooter to Sun class and also everyone else who have donated crayons, books and toys over the past few weeks.

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

Can we help?

Midsomer Norton Primary School holds Foodbank Vouchers. If you are struggling to feed your children please speak in confidence to reception who will be able to give you further information.

Please ensure all uniform and PE clothes etc are labelled.

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 allowed in school. Drinks bottles that children have in the class should only contain water.

Unauthorised holiday

Please remember that term-time holiday can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. Parents who take unauthorised holiday are at risk of being fined £60 per child, per parent. For a family with two children this equates to a fine of £240.

Science Challenge

We hope as many children as possible accept our challenge to design a moon buggy - science themed prizes are available! Letter went home earlier this week.

Upcoming events

Parents' Evenings: Tuesday 26th and Thursday 28th February.

Great Art Exhibition: Tuesday 26th - Thursday 28th February 8:45 - 9:15 am and during Parents' Evenings. Open to the public, Wednesday 27th February 3:30-5:00pm.

'Speak Out' Public Speaking Competition: Wednesday 6th March, 6:00pm at Norton Hill

Key Stage 1 Revamp Morning Saturday 9th March 9:00am-1:00pm

World Book Day/ Book at bedtime: Thursday 7th March

Science Week: Monday 11th - Friday 15th March

Red Nose Day: Friday 15th March

Have a lovely half-term break,
Alun Randell
Head teacher

Head Teacher Awards

Harrison Callum Buster Megan
Samuela Tulula Alana Elliott
Sasha Blake

Gold Awards

For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Callum Charlie Ella Isabella
Alice Hollie Bella Lucas Ollie
Jazzy Joe Esme Ella Cody

Birthdays

Jazzy Tulula Rosie Ruby
Lyre-Leigh Marcel Calum Skye
Thomas Xavier Ollie Bailey Remy Jacob
Samuel Aaron



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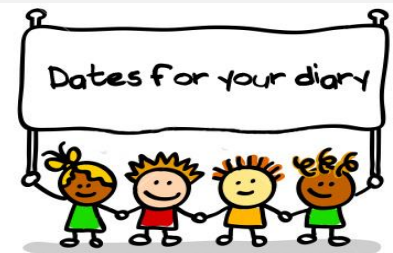
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<https://twitter.com/MSNPrimary>



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All letters are uploaded to the school website.



Fri 15th Feb - End term 3
Mon 25th Feb - Start term 4
Tues 26th Feb and Thurs 28th Feb - Parents evenings
During Parents evenings and Weds 27th Feb - Great Art Exhibition
Sat 9th March - KS1 revamp morning
Weds 6th March, 6:00pm Speak Out Public Speaking Competition at Norton Hill
Thurs 7th March- World Book Day/Book at Bedtime
Mon 11th - Fri 15th March- Science Week
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Attendance Champions of the week

1st	Uranus	99.4%
2nd	Neptune	98.9%
3rd	Mars	98.6%