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# Midsomer Norton Primary School

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#### Dear Parents/ Carers,

It has been a busy week! On Wednesday, author Andy Seed returned to our school to work with children from Year 1 to Year 6 inspiring them as the potential authors of the future! Then yesterday was World Book Day with our children putting some of these ideas into practice. Keep a look out on our social media accounts over the next few days to see examples of their published work. And in the evening, we held our Book at Bedtime event with staff and children enjoying stories and a cup of hot chocolate!

#### Speak Out Public Speaking Competition

It was with great pride that I listened to our team start off proceedings at our academy trust's 'Speak Out' public speaking competition on Wednesday. Despite being the first to present their debate, they spoke with incredible assurance, clarity and passion. They worked incredibly hard on their speeches and supported each other all the way. I know that I could not have done so well in Year 5!



## Key Stage 1 Revamp Morning

Our big flat pack furniture order arrived yesterday just in time for tomorrow's Key Stage 1 Revamp morning 9:00am-1:00pm. If you love flat pack furniture or are a dab hand with a brush please come along so that we can overhaul what has become a very tired area of the school. In return, we promise bacon butties and as much tea or coffee as vou can drink!

#### Science Week

It is national STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) week next week and we have another exciting week planned. On Tuesday and Wednesday, we have a visiting STEM fair with exciting activities for Reception - Year 6. On Friday, Year 5 will be visiting the Bath TAPS Science Fair at the University of Bath and Reception - Year 3 will be enjoy session with a Science Story Teller!

We also hope as many children as possible

already have some wonderful entries!

accept our challenge to design a moon buggy - science themed prizes are available! We

#### Year 4 Camp

Year 4 head off on their 3 day residential trip at Great Wood near Bridgewater next Wednesday! We look forward to seeing what they get up to on our Twitter feed!

# Sports News

#### Cross Country

We had a great uptake from our Year 6s for the final cross-country event of their primary school career - 19 of our children signed up which was fantastic. The downpour of rain made it even more difficult but all our children finished which they should be very proud of. We finished 4th in the boys' event and 5th in the girls' and a special well



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 scholastic book shop 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

#### 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.

# 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.

done to Samuel T who did incredibly well to win the boys race! Do we have a future Mo Farah in the making...?

#### Hockey

We sent a team to the B&NES Hockey Tournament on Wednesday, the vast majority of who had never been part of a hockey club and were very new to the game. They gave their all throughout and should be very proud of their efforts!

## School Charity - Bath Big Sleep Out

It's not too late to donate to Julian House as part of the Bath Big Sleep Out fundraising event tonight. Simply visit: <u>https://www.justgiving.com/Alun-Randell1</u>. JustGiving sends your donation straight to Julian House and automatically reclaims Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer, so your donation is worth even more. To find out more about the event visit: <u>http://www.bigbathsleepout.co.uk/</u>.

# Red Nose Day

How red can you be? Come to school next Friday as red as possible in return for a donation to Comic Relief!

We are selling red noses via the office to help raise money for this fantastic cause from after half-term. 150 noses have been ordered! Noses cost just £1.25.

Have a lovely weekend,

Alun Randell Head teacher









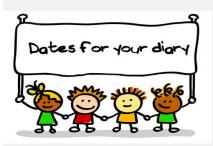
Don't forget that you can catch up with what's going on in school on our twitter feed:

https://twitter.com/MSNPrimary

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All letters are uploaded to the school website.



Sat 9<sup>th</sup> March - KS1 revamp morning Mon 11th - Fri 15th March- Science Week Weds 13-15<sup>th</sup> Mar Year 4 camp Friday 15th March -**Red Nose Day** 

# Attendance Champions of the week

Joint 1 <sup>st</sup>	Pluto	100%
	Star	100%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Venus	<b>99.2</b> %

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