

# Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I have been really impressed by the motivation and determination of our Year 6 pupils this term in the run up to the Key Stage 2 SATs. Three mornings a week, teachers from across the school have been offering their time to support the children as they hone their understanding of SATs style questions before school starts. The children have turned up en masse, bright eyed and bushy tailed - and I don't think it is just for the biscuit and juice they all receive. The children have made excellent progress this year and it has definitely been a team effort!

Parents often ask how they can help in these last few weeks; our mantra is 'little and often' with regular practice for short bursts of time the best way for children to master skills, but please remember also the importance of 'down-time', enjoying time with family and friends and regular bedtimes!

## Sugar Smart

Thank you and well done to our children who led our Sugar Smart assembly on Wednesday. For more news about the Sugar Start campaign, please see next week's newsletter. The children also designed and made our wonderful Sugar Smart display in the hall.



## Lost property

A big thank you to Mrs Josham and her helpers for laying out lost property for collection today. Our lost property quickly becomes an unsightly mountain. Please make sure your child's clothing is clearly labelled so that we can return items to their rightful owner.

## E-safety

I have mentioned previously the importance of parents being aware of what their children are doing online. A concerned parent has asked me to inform parents of a particular app called 'Charlie Charlie' or 'The Charlie Challenge' or 'The Pencil Challenge' which encourages children to get in touch, ouija board style, with a spirit called Charlie. Whilst probably harmless enough fun for teenagers seeking a spooky thrill, this may cause upset or worry to younger children and I would urge caution. Two useful sites with information and reviews of apps and their suitability are:

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

<https://www.common sense media.org/app-reviews>

## Parent Survey

<https://cognisant.researchfeedback.net/wh/s.asp?k=152412981117>

Bath Rugby Camps being hosted during the next school half term that might be of interest to some of your pupils. These are a new style of camp that focuses on core sporting skills such as decision making, spatial awareness, agility, catch and pass,



## Toys in school

I would like to remind parents/ carers that children should not bring toys to school with the following exceptions:

- Greenie time on Fridays
- Playground toys (clearly named) such as footballs, skipping ropes etc).

Young children will often swap toys and change their minds later leading to misunderstandings and upset so please do not allow your child to bring anything to school of value or that they regard as precious or to swap toys with other children.

Please sign up to ParentPay if you haven't already done so.

## Visitor access to school

Please remember that visitors, including parents, can no longer access the school via the lower entrance. All visitors are asked to enter via the main entrance and sign in at Reception. Thank you for supporting us in keeping the school site secure.

## Drop off and read times for Term 5

Reception - Weds 8.45am

Years 1/2 - Tues 8.45am

Years 3/4 - Thurs 8.45am

Years 5/6 - Weds 8.45

## Pick Up and read times for Term 5

Reception - Thurs 2.55pm

Try tennis for free - Camvale Tennis Club, Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May. To book and find out more, go to [www.lta.org.uk/gbtw](http://www.lta.org.uk/gbtw) Flyers in reception

## Spotters Hockey May Half Term

2018 Camp will be running 9am -2pm on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018 at Beechen Cliff School for hockey players ages between the ages of 7 and 15 years old For more details or to book your child's place please email [spottershockey@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:spottershockey@yahoo.co.uk)

hand eye coordination, fitness and much more. These are held in Corsham and North Dorset, more details can be found on our website

<https://www.bathrugby.com/community/we-deliver/bath-rugby-camps/>

### Sports News

On Wednesday the boys' football team was undefeated in a football tournament this week all of their group games. There were a number of chances which could have resulted in extra goals with the post being hit and some fine saves made.

### PSG Spring Disco

It is the PSG Spring Disco this evening. We hope to see you there! I've never been much of a dancer, having two left feet, but I'm determined to get the children to teach me how to 'floss'!

Have a lovely weekend!

Alun Randell  
Head teacher



## News



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

<https://twitter.com/MSNPrimary>

Letters home this week:

KS1 Survival and Adventure Day

Yr 5/6 Orienteering event

Yr 6 Cooking lessons

All letters are uploaded to the school website



### Head Teacher Awards

Sam, Buster, Charlie,  
Isabella, Isabella, Summer,  
Harrison, Nico, Will, Neve,  
Molly



### Gold Awards

For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Bella, Jay, Michael,

Sophie Maine, Georgia Chard, Charlie Sperring,

Shiloh, Karis, Zac,

Isabella, William,

Liam, McKenzie,



### Birthdays

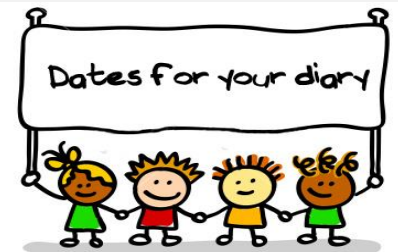
Alana, Ellie, Ralphie,  
Jack, Michael, Isabella,  
Freddie, Alasdair

Attendance Champions of the week

1 <sup>st</sup>	Mars/Uranus	100%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Star/Moon	98.8%

Millie's brother Jacob is running in the London Marathon on Sunday and is raising money for our local charity Time is Precious. If you would like to sponsor Jacob please use the link:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?pageId=871688>



Swimming Uranus Class -

Swimming Tuesday

Passport Club year 6 - Tues,

Weds, Thurs 8.15am

Passport Club year 2 - Tues and

Thurs 8.15am

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> April PSG Spring Disco

Yr 3/4 Anglo Saxon and Viking Day