

Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents/ Carers,
Anti-Bullying Week

It was great to see so many children showing solidarity and standing up to bullying by wearing a blue accessory yesterday. The children have been learning about diversity this week and there have been some interesting discussions in our circle times. One of our 4 values is 'We believe in community' and as a school we believe it is vital that our children grow up to respect and value differences. Our theme of 'It's okay to be different' has really got our children thinking and understanding. The children created an 'Equality Street' display in the small corridor between the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 classrooms. When you are able, please come in to have a look.

If you wish to discuss bullying with your child, please visit the official website for support and ideas: <http://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/>



We have also been looking at staying safe online this week - a subject that should be frequently reinforced at school and at home. As the digital world can change so fast it is important that teachers and parents ensure we are aware of the potential dangers. In the spring term, we will be holding a workshop organised by O2 and the NSPCC to help parents understand how they can keep their children safe online.

Children in Need

Many thanks to everybody for supporting our fundraising activities today. We look forward to being able to announce the grand total of monies raised as soon as possible.

Our Champions for Change will be hosting a Raffle Bonanza next week to raise more money for Children in Need. Tickets cost 20p each and will be on sale at morning play in the library. We've got some fantastic prizes on offer. For further information, please read the letter sent out today explaining our raffle. Good luck everyone!

Applying for Reception Places for Sept 2017

Please remember that applications must be made by 15th January 2017. If you have not already done so you can apply online via the B&NES website at

www.bathnes.gov.uk

Go to Schools, Colleges & Learning and then Admissions to Schools. If you need to talk to someone in Admissions you can contact them on 01225 394312.

Flu vaccinations

You should have received a flu vaccination form and booklet if your child is in Y1, 2 & 3. Please make sure that you return it to school asap even if you **do not** give consent for your child to have the vaccination. These will take place on Tues 29 Nov.

Y4 & Y6 Camp Deposits

Deposits for camp were due to be paid by 7th November via the School Gateway. If you haven't already paid please do so asap to secure your child's place.

Y4 - £30 Y6 - £40

Late arrival at school

Please remember that if your child is going to be late to school and will require a school meal you need to let the office know by 9am so we are able to order enough meals.

Christmas Lunch

Your child should have brought home a green slip to order Christmas lunch. Please ensure this is returned by Wednesday 30th November. The slip **MUST** be returned even if you have Universal Infant Free School Meals, Free School Meals or regularly take school dinners.

Reverse Advent

To help our children understand that giving can take different forms and does not have to involve money our Early Years team are organising a 'Reverse Advent' collection for Save the Children. Children are asked to bring in a no-longer-used toy, book, game or puzzle. Please see the accompanying letter for more details.

A thank you from a grateful teacher...

Mrs Hughes would like to say a massive thank you to Dominic C and Oscar M for finding a locket of great sentimental value to her on the field and returning it safely. Well done boys!

Y3/4 European Banquet - Friday 2nd Dec at 10.40am

Are you a great cook who would like come and do a quick cookery demo of a European style dish? Please get in contact with the Y3/4 team They are learning about Europe and feel this would be a great learning experience for the children

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:

Raffle Bonanza
Whole School Reverse Advent Collection
Years 3 & 4 Reading Challenge

All letters are uploaded to the school website

Attendance Champions of the week

1 st	Neptune	98.6%
2 nd	Pluto	97.3%
3 rd	Saturn	97.1%

Well done everybody!



Head Teacher Awards



William Sinead Dominic Oscar
Bradley Olivia Leo Charlie
Shiloh Olivia Thomas JC



Gold Awards



For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Jack Rocky Daisy Kacey Ryley Samie

Skye Megan Harrison Samie Mia

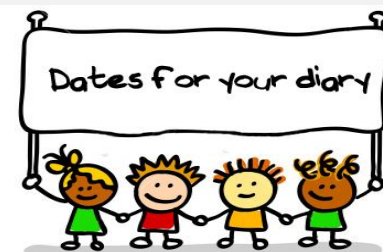
Joe Lily Beau Rose Keeley



Birthdays



Toby Sophie Jai Samuel



Tues 22 Nov - Nursery Induction Eve
Fri 25 Nov - PSG Mufti day for sweets or tombola prize for Christmas Fayre
Fri 25 Nov - StoryBox Theatre
Tues 29 Nov - Y1/2/3 Flu Immunisations

Christmas Nativity/Productions Infants

Tues 6 Dec - 9am
Wed 7 Dec - 1.45pm
Thu 8 Dec - 9.30am

KS2

Thu 15 Dec
1.45pm & 6pm

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day - Wed 14 Dec

The Battle of the Somme showing at the Town Hall on Friday 18th November at 7.30pm. BFG 2.30pm and Me Before You 7.30pm both on the 26th November again at the Town Hall.