

Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents & Carers,

There is a noticeable change in the air and a sense of excitement this week as rehearsals get under way for our Christmas shows. I was delighted to be treated to a lovely rendition by the Nursery and Reception children singing with great gusto on Tuesday. The Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 rehearsals have been a fantastic incentive to leave my office door open, despite the cold, so I can listen as I work!

Please make sure you have the Christmas show dates and times in your calendar. They are in Key Dates Term 2.

We will be sending a letter home next week concerning tickets for the Junior performances in the Methodist Church.

Anti-Bullying Week

This week we marked Anti-Bullying Week. Raising children's awareness of the impact bullying has on individuals and the feeling of helplessness it can result in. The children in Key Stages 1 and 2 (and staff) randomly chose names of individuals for whom they were to act as secret Guardian Angels. Please talk with your child to find out whether they managed to show any small secret acts of kindness during the week - and whether the beneficiary guessed who their angel was!

Children's News... from Earth Class

We have just returned from making circuits at Somervale this morning and this week have been creating and writing non-chronological reports on fictional aliens from Mars.

Ben E says "It was great fun"

Christmas Lunch

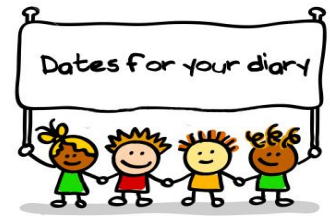
We will be serving Christmas lunch on Tuesday 15th December. We would like to also declare the day Midsomer Norton Primary Christmas Jumper/ Christmas Themed Mufti Day. Miss Durrant, our School Business Manager, was most insistent, in fact! Children (and adults are encouraged to wear their favourite Christmas jumper. Santa hats, reindeer hair-bands and the like are, of course, most definitely encouraged also. No donation required, just for fun!

Staff Vacancy - Breakfast Club Teaching Assistant

We are currently advertising to recruit a Teaching Assistant to help run our breakfast club. Details can be found on our website. The deadline for applications has been extended to Friday 11th December.

Volunteering in School

We are always eager for volunteers to support children in their learning. In particular, we are seeking volunteers to help with reading and mental maths in Years 1/2 & 3/4. Changes to safeguarding mean that volunteers do not generally need a DBS check anymore so the process is much easier now. If you are available to help please see your child's class teacher or contact the office.



Upcoming Events

Tues 1st Dec

Open Day for prospective parents

Saturday 5th December

PSG Christmas Fayre

Show & Share

Dates/Times below

Important Announcements

**Alterations to School Dinner menu:
Week One**

Tuesday pudding is now Chocolate
Sponge

Week Two

Tuesday pudding is now Jam Sponge

Week Three

Monday instead of Paella it is Pizza
and pudding on Thursday is Carrot
Cake

Christmas Lunch

Will be on Tuesday 15th December
ALL children, regardless of
whether they usually have a hot
meal or qualify for FSM should
have returned the slip by Friday
27th November to say if they want
a Christmas lunch. If this slip has
not been returned your child(ren)
will need to bring a packed lunch
that day

PSG News

**ALL REQUESTS FOR
SANTA TICKETS, SOLD
RAFFLE TICKETS ETC
MUST BE IN THE OFFICE
BY 3PM ON MONDAY 30TH
DECEMBER.**

Sporting news

A big well done to the girl's football team who came a creditable 3rd in their first football tournament of the year at Writhlington School. The team won their group stage and fought valiantly in the finals group. Mr Andrew reports their determination and resilience, not to mention their skills, were superb.

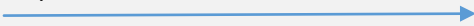
Maths homework - Abacus

I would like to remind parents/carers (and children!) that from Year 2 upwards we use Abacus to set online homework each week. If your child is saying that they do not have any maths homework they are almost certainly not correct! Children should log on to do their homework unless a note is sent by the teacher explaining that Abacus homework has not been set for that week. All weekly homework is set on Wednesday and expected to have been completed by Monday. Please contact the school office if you would like us to send another letter home with your child's login details.

Drop and Read/ Count

Once again thank you to all of the parents who have been able to make it into school on Wednesdays to support and encourage the children in Reception and Year 1/2

Show and Share Dates

We hope to see lots of parents in school for Show & Share next week. Dates/times in Class news panel 

Have a lovely weekend!

Alun Randell
Head Teacher

Reception Applications for September 2016

Please visit the B&NES website (link below) for more information or to make an online application or call them on 01225 394312

<http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/schools-colleges-and-learning/admissions-schools>



Head Teacher Awards



Ellie Daisy Rosie Amy Callum Eva

Oliver Mia Connor Faith Jeannie Ciaran



Gold Awards



For demonstrating exemplary behaviour, . . .

Joseph Kacey Ethan Libby Karis

William Isabel Cameron Bill Otis Isabella



Birthdays



Happy Birthday this week to the following children!!

Max Macy Lucas Ashley

Sam Emelia



Class News



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

<https://twitter.com/MSNPrimary>

Show and Share Dates

PLEASE NOTE REVISED YEAR GROUPS

Please remember our Show and Share showcases on the following dates:

Mon 30th Nov 2.30pm: Year 1/2

Tues 1st Dec 2.30pm: Year 5/6

Wed 2nd Dec 2.30pm: Reception

Thurs 3rd Dec 2.30pm: Year 3/4

Key dates in Term 2

Tues 1st Dec - Open Day for Prospective parents

Tuesday 15th Dec - Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper day

Tues 8th -AM/Wed 9th - PM/Thurs 10th Dec - AM - Infants Nativity in School Hall.

Wed 16th Dec - KS2 Christmas Production - PM & Eve in Methodist Church.

Fri 18th Dec - Last Day of Term 2

Mon 4th Jan - INSET day

Tues 5th Jan – children back to school for Term 3

Films showing Saturday 28th November at Midsomer Norton Town Hall at 2.30 Minions and 7.30 Mr Holmes. Tickets £5 adult £3 child or £12 family (2 adults and 2 children) available in advance or on the door.