

# Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents & Carers,

Another term has flown by - I cannot believe we are halfway through the year already!

## E-Safety

Tuesday was Safer Internet Day 2016. The message we gave children was that the internet is a useful and exciting resource which can help us share and celebrate our differences; however, children should take care to stay safe by being SMART as mentioned in last week's newsletter.

The most important point for children to remember is: "Always tell an adult."

We are so used to the internet now that it is easy to forget some of the dangers it poses unless used with care. It is useful to remember that the major social media sites state only children over the age of 13 may have accounts. Some of our older children will be 13 in just a couple of years and may have older siblings who use social media. For parents of children in Year 5/6, I would suggest watching this short cartoon with your child to help them be more aware of how to stay safe using social media : <http://youtu.be/hqezbib5qpQ>

For younger children, I suggest the following e-safety videos:

<http://youtu.be/-nMUbHuffO8>

[http://youtu.be/d5kW4pl\\_VQw](http://youtu.be/d5kW4pl_VQw)

## World Book Day/ Book at Bedtime

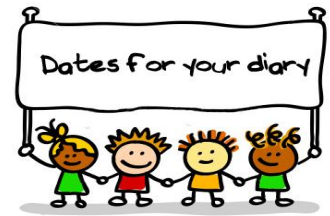
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March is World Book Day. To celebrate we will be holding *A Book at Bedtime* at 5:00pm on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. On World Book Day itself, children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Further detail will follow in a letter after half-term.

## Parent Survey

We have had a very good response to our parent survey. You can still make your views known at: <https://www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=145328981347>. Paper copies are available from the office.

## Parents' Evenings

It was good to see so many parents/ carers (and children) at our Parents' Evenings this week. Please remember that although we have two sets of 'formal' evenings each year, parents are able to contact their class teacher (through the school office) to make an appointment at any time during the school year.



See below

## Important Announcements

**Active Kids** We are now collecting vouchers from Sainsburys.

## School Crossing Patrol

Please remember that our School Crossing Patrol Officer is there to carry out a very important role ensuring that children are able to cross the high street safely and in order to do that effectively she needs to be able to pay full attention to the roads and the traffic. Please do not distract her while she is carrying out her duties

## Nut Free School

Please remember that we are a nut free school and we have a number of children and staff who have severe nut allergies and exposure to nuts will induce anaphylactic shock which is life threatening.

Please do not send your child to school with any nuts or products which contain nuts, this includes a wide range of cereal bars. Check the ingredients carefully if you are not sure.

## Infectious diseases

If your child is diagnosed with an infection such as chicken pox, impetigo, hand, foot & mouth etc and you are unsure whether they should be at school you can check on the Health Protection Agency website at [www.hpa.org.uk](http://www.hpa.org.uk) for recommended exclusion periods for most common infectious diseases. If are still unsure please check with the office before your child returns to school

## Urgent Appeal

We are very short of spare girls knickers and tights! If you have any spare please could we have them. Thank you.

### Champions for Change

Our Champions for Change have been hard at work surveying staff and children about school rules at lunch times and play times and identifying a suitable charity for the school to adopt. They will be presenting their ideas to the rest of the school in an assembly soon after half-term.

### Sports News

A big well done to our Hockey A and B teams on Wednesday. The A team who made it through to the BANES county finals after placing second having just been pipped in the final 3-2. The B-team gained valuable experience and played with great determination.

And finally, the football team finished off a very successful term with a 7-0 victory over Peasedown St John yesterday.

Have a lovely holiday! We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

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:

Academisation

Sports newsletter



### Head Teacher Awards



Elliot Erin Archie Joe  
Daniel Abby Harry Che  
Macie Aria Jecaela  
Toby Thomas Lily  
Cora Zoe



### Gold Awards



*For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...*

*Freya Freya Mya Felix Macy*

*Danny William Shiloh Molly Eadie*

*Jessica Olivia Kyle Lily Lois*

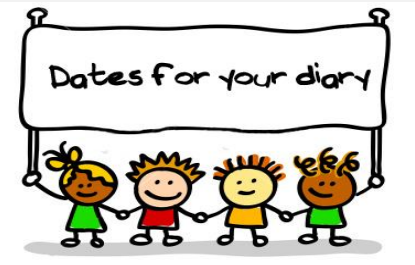


### Birthdays



Happy Birthday this week to the following children!!

Owen Jazmine Tulula Rosie Leah Lyra-Leigh Oliver  
Aria  
Ioan Bailey Solomon Remy  
Jacob Sam Xavier



Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Feb - Term 3 ends

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb - Term 4 starts

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb Y5/6 Trip to Steam Museum

Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Feb PSG Film Night

Weds 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar Book at Bedtime

Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar World Book Day

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> - Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Mar - Y4 Camp

