



MIDSOMER NORTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

LEARNING FOR LIFE

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NEWSLETTER 4

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LOTS OF ... Diary Dates:

Fri	26 Sept	Y5/6 Cycling programme starts
Tues	30 Sept	OPEN DAY for prospective parents – please spread the word
Thurs	2 Oct	Lunch with your Teacher Fish and Chip Thursday!!
Fri	3 Oct	PSG Meeting (8.45am) - Cake/Second Hand Uniform Sale (3.15pm)
Sat	4 Oct	Car Wash to raise funds for Environmental Area (chickens, pond, etc.)
Mon/Wed	6/8 Oct	Parents' Evenings
Mon	13 Oct	KS1 Phonics Workshop for Parents (3.30pm in Y1/2 area)
Tues	14 Oct	Y4/Y5 Parents' Meeting re 2015 Camps for Y4 (6pm) and Y6 (6.30pm)
Wed/Thu	15/16 Oct	Photos
Thu	16 Oct	Infants' Harvest (School Hall) 2.15pm
Fri	17 Oct	MUFTI DAY – no school uniform: bring £1 for PSG Christmas Fayre funds
Tues	21 Oct	Juniors' Harvest (Methodist Church) 1.45pm
Weds	22 Oct	Last Day of Term 1 - PSG Monster Ball discos in school hall
Mon	3 Nov	First Day of Term 2
Fri	21 Nov	MUFTI DAY – no school uniform: bring sweets/chocolates etc for tombola)
Sat	13 Dec	PSG Christmas Fayre
Tu-Th	9-11 Dec	Infants' Nativity: Tues 9th (9.15am); Weds 10th (2.15pm); Thurs 11th (9.15am)
Weds	17 Dec	Juniors (Y3-Y6) Christmas Celebrations 1.45 and 6.00pm
Fri	19 Dec	Last Day of Term 2 – PSG Christmas Discos

Fri	23 Jan	PSG Film Night
Fri	27 Feb	PSG Bingo Night
Fri	20 Mar	PSG Easter Eggstravaganza
Fri	27 Mar	MUFTI DAY – no school uniform: bring £1 for PSG Summer Fayre funds
Fri	24 Apr	[to be confirmed] Ladies' Pamper Evening
Fri	22 May	MUFTI DAY – no school uniform: bring bottles/sweets for tombola
Fri	12 June	PSG Summer Fayre
Tues	30 June	SPORTS DAY
Thu	16 July	Y6 Leavers' Disco

Head's Message

Normally I write this bit on Thursday evening, but I'm glad to be writing it this week *after* our Celebration Assembly on a Friday morning. It gives me the opportunity to highlight to everyone how we make our awards every Friday. Staff nominate people for Head's Awards, which I receive before the assembly – these are for outstanding work or contributions in class and are separate from our card system. Before I give these out, Ms Biss awards gold pencils to all children who have received a gold card during the week. Each teacher in turn tells the whole school who has received a gold card in their class (if any) and why. Listening to these mini-speeches this morning, I was struck by how we are reminded every week of the outstanding behaviour and attitude we see from so many children in our school: acts of great kindness, unprompted helpfulness, excellent manners, consideration and thoughtful behaviour. These are what we celebrate on a Friday morning and that positive glow seems to radiate through the rest of the day. Congratulations to all award-winners this morning, but also to every child who has received a green card this week ... that's every single one of them!!! It shows just how good your children are (in general!) and we thank them for it.

New Prefects

It is very unusual to receive nominations for new prefects so early in the school year, but you can't argue with these two nominations: congratulations to Charley and Evie, who now represent their houses as prefects, assisting the house captains and vice-captains in their duties.

PSG Cake Sale / Second Hand Uniform Sale This will be our first event on **Friday, 3rd October 2014** and will be held in the main hall after school. At the end of last year there was a lot of uniform left and since the beginning of this term people have very kindly donated lots of trousers, jumpers and t-shirts plus we still have lots of summer dresses. We would be very grateful of any donations for cakes for the sale, please bring them to the office on the morning of that Friday.

Our next meeting is being held on **Friday, 3rd October 2014** at 9.00am in the Milky Way Room at School. If you have any ideas or comments, we look forward to seeing or hearing from you.


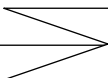
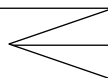

SPECIAL LUNCH on Thursday 2nd October In order to promote our school lunches, we've got a fish'n'chip special on Thursday ... and children will have the chance to eat with the staff (who usually munch a sandwich as they mark books). So please encourage your child to have a school lunch on Thursday.

Information Forms To enable us to keep more accurate information on our database, we have redesigned our general information forms, taking the place of the different forms that used to come home. Please take time to fill these in accurately – for those who hate filling in forms, please feel free to ask for help at the school office and we can provide assistance.

NO HOCKEY CLUB on Wednesday 1st October ... due to our participation in the area cross country event.

Help your Child Parents often ask for advice about how they can help their children's learning at home. We use a variety of things in school, but you might like to consider the following resource to support phonics learning: Hairy Letters (other products from other providers are available). You can download the app for £2 – which is a lot less than other things we purchase for our children ... and does them good!

BIG Thank-you ...from Charlotte's mum to the children who looked after Charlotte when she had a bump on the playground and lost her tooth.

  **Head Teacher's Awards**  

were given out today in Assembly to the following pupils for exceptional effort in their work

Liam Janna Jesse Eadie Dexter
Jasmine Freya Joe Josh

Letters home this week

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All letters are now uploaded to the website; follow this link to see them: <http://www.midsomernortonprimaryschool.com/index.php?id=94>

Gold Awards

Dominic Tinashe Aimee Ryan Fathema Benjamin Callie
Charley Tianna Eva Erica Bradley Declan Aaron

Gold Awards are given to children in assembly whose contribution to the life of the school has been exemplary.

COMMUNITY NEWS

An update on things going on in and around the area. Please feel free to notify us (by Wednesday) of any items to go in. The school does not actively endorse or vouch for any event publicised here.

NCT are holding a Nearly New Sale at the Conygre Hall in Timsbury on Sunday 26th October 2014 for you to sell all those clothes that are mounting up in the wardrobe and toys that you keep falling over in the sitting room! The sale will run from 11.00am - 12.30pm (with early entry for members at 10.45am). Email for more details or to register as a seller: nesomersetnct@hotmail.co.uk

Saturday 27th September: Midsomer Norton Town Hall PALLADIUM: 2.30pm Family Showcase screening of RIO 2. 99 mins duration. £5 for adults, £3 children, £12 family tickets (2 adults, 2 children) 01761 419133



Many Happy Returns!



Pupils with birthdays between the 26th September and 2nd October are included in our list this week

Jasmine Alesha Erin Charlie
Charlie Bradley

From all of us at Midsomer Norton Primary School, have a great weekend!