

Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We try very hard to bring our school curriculum to life for our children. There is a lot of research that demonstrates lasting memories are attached to emotions so the more we can engage children and let them experience wonder, curiosity, excitement and challenge the stronger their memories and the deeper their learning. There have been some excellent examples of this approach throughout the week, whether in class in 'normal' lessons or through trips and visitors. Our Early Years children were fascinated by a visit from the ambulance service yesterday, as were Year 1&2 by a visit by the fire service. The visit was not spoiled in the slightest by being cut slightly short when the fire crew had to respond to a real emergency!



Keeping children safe

I would like to remind parents that it is **illegal and extremely unsafe** to stop on the zigzag lines next to a crossing even for a moment and could lead to a mandatory 3 points on your driving license. A number of parents have been dropping off their children on the zigzag line endangering their own and other children at a very busy time of the day. I am so concerned about this issue that I have contacted BANES and the police and requested regular patrols. We are actually blessed with a lot of available parking which then only requires a short walk. Free parking is available on Silver Street and Sainsburys is also very understanding and does not mind if parents use the parking bays during pick up and drop off. Again for safety reasons, and out of consideration for a very supportive neighbor, please do not park in Sainsburys delivery bays.

Christmas Show dates

Our children and staff are busily preparing for our Christmas shows! This year, all the Christmas shows will be held in school. The dates and times are:

Infants Nativity:

- Tuesday 5th December, 9:30am
- Wednesday 6th December, 1:45pm
- Thursday 7th December, 9:30am

Key Stage 2 Christmas Show

- Wednesday 13th December, 9:30am
- Thursday 14th December, 1:45pm
- Thursday 14th December, 6:00pm

Please see today's letter for details of how to obtain tickets.

Daps for PE

All children need suitable footwear for indoor and outdoor PE. Trainers are not appropriate for gym for health and safety reasons. Please make sure that your child has a pair of daps in school for indoor PE.

From the new year, children who do not have



Community events:

Westfield Christmas Lights Switch-On
Thursday 30th November 6-7pm
MSN Christmas Fayre, Friday 1st
December 6-9pm
A Victorian Christmas at Radstock
Museum, Saturday 9th December 2-
4.30pm

Paperwork Plus are offering 10% off
to school children and students.

Mrs Plumley Christmas Craft
Workshop 16th December please
contact 01761 568255

PSG Christmas Fayre

We need lots of volunteers to help at the fayre. Please let us know if you can help by returning the green slip or posting on Facebook or just leave us a note at the office. An hour or two (or three) to set-up, help on a stall or tidy up all greatly appreciated. And don't forget to book your Santa tickets (£1.50 in advance, £2 on the day). Thank you!

the correct footwear will not be able to participate in PE as doing PE in bare feet is not appropriate (again for health and safety reasons).

Naming everything!

Having recycled our lost property mountain, we are already acquiring another one. All named property is returned to children every Friday afternoon but a huge amount of clothing remains unnamed. Please name everything clearly - coats, uniforms, lunch boxes, water bottles. Many thanks!

Sports News

It was a busy week for sports fixtures in weather that was not always ideal! Our boys' football team showed resilience, determination and positivity despite losing 5-1 to St John's on Monday, our badminton teams placed 2nd and 6th in their respective group stages in a badminton tournament on Wednesday and our netball team drew 2-2 with High Littleton on Thursday. Well done to all our sports superstars!

Midsomer Norton Christmas Celebration/ Turning on Christmas Lights

On Friday, 1st December 6:00pm we will be participating in the town's Christmas celebrations. We have been invited to take up to 30 KS2 children to represent the school by singing. Parents/carers and family members are invited to join us in Midsomer Norton Methodist Church at 6:00pm before we make our way to the Christmas tree for the switching on of the lights. A letter has been sent home today with more details.

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:

All letters are uploaded to the school website
Christmas Shows
Town Christmas Celebrations
Show Tickets



Head Teacher Awards
Mya Oliver Shae Reuben Nada
Pippa Nikola Thomas Callu
Elliot Harvey



Gold Awards

For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Sasha Jack Isabella Elliot Logan Kyle
Jeannie Lucas Cody Mia Katie Reuben

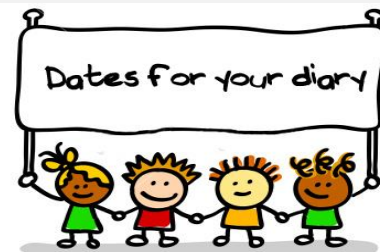


Birthdays

Kylan Chloe Leo Summer Max

Attendance Champions of the week

1 st	Neptune	99.4%
2 nd	Moon	98.9%
Joint 3 rd	Saturn/Venus	96.6%



Weds 29th Nov Stroke Assoc
assembly
5th, 6th and 7th Dec Infant Nativity
13th and 14th pm and evening KS2
Christmas Show