

Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents/ Carers,

There has been some wonderful learning in evidence this week. I was particularly pleased by the support we have had from parents for our Drop and Spell sessions in Year 3 and 4. Spelling carries greater importance under the national curriculum and frequent practice (little and often) is vital at school and at home. Drop and Spell sessions provide a range of fun activities for the children and help parents see the variety of strategies we use to help the children practice their spellings.

Year 1 & 2 were getting very sticky as they created their African masks yesterday! Here we have the children from Pluto (or Glueto as Riley C put it!).



Circle time in Earth class on Thursday. We use circle time activities to explore attitudes and the impact of our actions on others.

Sports News

A big well done to our inclusive swimming team who competed in the Midsomer Norton Swimming Gala on Tuesday. As always, our children's sportsmanship was top class!

Number Day

Next Friday, we will be supporting the NSPCC Number Day. Our maths team have prepared a range of activities for the children to take part in. We would like to ask the children to bring in any spare change to use in the activities that we can then collect to raise funds for the NSPCC.

Safeguarding

Please watch out for the important letter regarding safeguarding and access to school sent home today.

Music

Children in Key Stage 2 were treated to a range of musical demonstrations in assembly yesterday organised by Mrs Cook, our music coordinator. A letter has also been sent home regarding peripatetic music lessons available to pupils at school.

Dinner Money

Please remember that school meals must be paid for in advance via the School Gateway.

There is a minimum charge of £11, which is the cost of a full weeks meals. We set this minimum to avoid excessive transaction costs. The balance will reduce each time your child takes a meal and those meals can be taken at any time over the course of the academic year.

We currently have a number of children whose dinner money balances are in debit and you will receive a text message from us each week if that is the case. Please ensure that you make a payment to clear any debt as soon as possible.

If a dinner money debt continues to increase we will ask that your child does not take further school meals until it is cleared.

Compared to many other schools in the area we are very flexible around dinner money payments and allowing children to take school meals on an ad-hoc basis. We may not be able to do this if we have continue to have issues with late payments.

If you are having problems with paying or if you have problems accessing the School Gateway please contact the office as soon as possible.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter

PE kit

If your daughter wears tights to school please remember to pack a pair of socks in their PE kit. Thank you.

Parents Evenings

Online booking for Parent Evenings opens today. Please see the letter sent home yesterday for details on how to book appointments. Booking goes live at 6pm today

Have a great 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:

Safeguarding letter

Parents Eve booking

KS1 African Show and Share

All letters are uploaded to the school website

Attendance Champions of the week

1 st	Earth	95.7%
2 nd	Jupiter	95.0%
3 rd	Saturn	94.6%

Well done everybody!

Head Teacher Awards

Freddie Flynn William Georgina
Faith Zoe Keira Aaron
Ryan Victoria Amber Jack

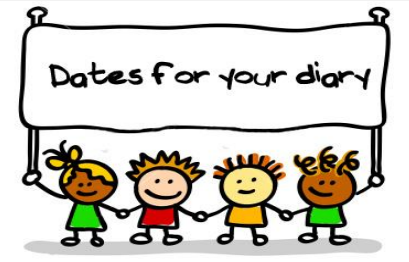
Gold Awards

Jasmine Mia Flynn
Flynn Eden Chloe
JC Freya Eva
Jessica Charlie

For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Birthdays

Ruby Sadiya Lily-Anna Frankie
Alfie Olivia Poppie Josh



Fri 3 Feb - NSPCC Number Day
Mon 6 Feb & Wed 9 Feb -
Parents Evening
Fri 10 Feb - End of T4