

Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have seen the most fantastically creative and detailed homework projects brought in this week. Year 3/4 have been creating rainforests in a shoe box and Year 5/6 have been making models of Anderson shelters as part of their World War 2 topic. We hope you get a chance to come and have a look at our children's wonderful efforts which will be displayed in the school hall during Parents' Evening.



E-Safety

Next Tuesday, is Safer Internet Day 2016. During the week we will be raising awareness of staying safe, beginning with an assembly on Monday morning. Technology, in particular social media, has become such an everyday part of life that is important for schools and families to remember that children need guidance on how to stay safe and how to treat others online. We will be encouraging children to be SMART:

SAFE

Keep your personal information safe

MEET

Friends made online are strangers; meeting them can be dangerous

ACCEPTING

Accepting files can be dangerous. If unsure, ask an adult!

RELIABLE

Not everyone or everything online is reliable or trustworthy

TELL

Always tell an adult if something online upsets or worries you

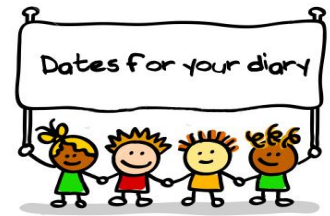
We have more detailed advice and useful links on the [e-safety webpage](#) of our school site, under the Our Parents section.

Parents Survey

We would like to ask parents to complete a quick 5 minute online survey by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=145328981347>

Paper copies are available from the office. Please see the letter sent home today for further details.



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 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.

Parents' Evenings

We look forward to seeing you on Monday or Wednesday evening next week. Please feel free to bring your child to the meeting so that they have the chance to contribute to the discussion.

Governors

We still have vacancies for a parent governor and a community governor. If you are interested or know somebody who might be interested in playing an important role in helping shape the future of the school, please contact the school office. During Parents' Evenings, governors will be available for parents to meet - which would be a great opportunity to find out more about what the role involves.

Sports News

HUGE congratulations to the boys' football team who participated in the county finals in Bridgwater last Friday and won the large primary schools competition! Considering we are a smaller 'large' school this is a phenomenal achievement and one which the team and Mr Andrew will be very proud of. This means the team will go on to represent the county in the regional competition on 23rd April at Odd Down against teams from Hampshire, Cornwall, Devon and the Channel Islands. Home support most welcome! For a full report see Mr Andrew's update on the [sports/PE pages](#) of the schools website.

It has been a busy week, in fact, with the athletics squad coming 3rd in the county in Sportshall Athletics; Year 5 coming 2nd in a 10 team indoor football tournament, just losing out in the final 1-0 to Paulton and our Level 2 gymnasts placing 2nd in a 10 school competition, with our Level 1 gymnasts coming 5th -despite competing against regular club gymnasts. Our Netball B team competed in the quarter final of the BANES cup competition. They have had a good run in the competition but the height and experience of Oldfield Juniors proved too much on this occasion. Once again, well done to all the children and adults involved in these very impressive performances.

Have a lovely weekend

Alun Randell
Head Teacher



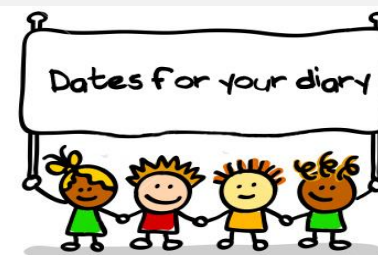
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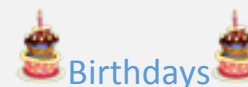
Don't forget that you can catch up with what's going on in school on our twitter feed:

<https://twitter.com/MSNPrimary>

Letters home this week:
Parent survey



Fri 5th Feb - Dance Umbrella Sleepover
Mon 8th & Wed 10th Feb - Parent Consultations & Homework showcase
Tues 9th Feb - MFS Parent presentation - 6pm
Fri 12th Feb - Term 3 ends
Mon 22nd Feb - Term 4 starts
Y5/6 Trip to Steam Museum
Wed 16th - Fri 18th Mar - Y4 Camp



Happy Birthday this week to the following children!!

Isla Libbie
Cora William
Keeley Deimantas Jasmine
William



Head Teacher Awards



Ella Josh Bradley Kenzie
Lilli-Ana Ava Lois Josh
Faith Cerys Zuzanna Summer



Gold Awards



For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Kieran Antoni Harry Beau Jasmine Immy Amy Julia Liam Xavier
Logan Harvey