# Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We had a lovely day on Monday as we successfully managed to hold our postponed Sports Day. We felt a few drops of rain but no more! This was my first Sports Day at Midsomer Norton Primary and it was a real pleasure to see the enthusiasm with which children of all ages participated from Nursery up to Year 6. There was a good balance of competition and inclusion and everything ran like clockwork. Well done to all and a big thank you to Mr Andrew and Mrs Bullock and everybody who helped make the day such a success. I would also like to thank our Year 5 helpers for the morning and our Year 9 helpers for the afternoon and, of course, our PSG for organising fantastic refreshments.

#### Volunteering at school

During Sports Day, we were also able to promote both the PSG and volunteering at Midsomer Norton Primary. Many thanks to everybody who expressed an interest. If you are considering volunteering please see your child's class teacher, ask at the office or download a volunteering form from our website under Our Community - Volunteering and send it into school. Mrs Blunsdon is collating all the information into a database so that we can ensure we make the most of such an amazing source of help.

#### **Statutory Assessment Results**

We are very pleased with the progress our children have made this year. Despite higher expectations and more challenging assessments in Year 2 and Year 6, our results compare very favourably with schools nationally.

- At the end of Reception, 60% reached a Good Level of Development compared to a national average last year of 66%.
- In the Year 1 Phonics screen, 88% of children reached the threshold. Last year, 77% reached the threshold nationally.
- In Year 2, 77% reached the expected standard in reading; 62% in writing and 81% in maths.
- In Year 6, 73% reached the expected standard in reading; 80% in writing and 86% in maths. 68% of our children reached the expected standard in reading, writing and maths. Nationally, the figure was 53%.

Well done to all of our children, families and staff who have taught and supported our children during their time at school!

The results will be published in full on our website next week once we have finished formatting them.

#### **Sports News**

Our Y6 cricket team went over to Taunton Vale Cricket Club on Monday to compete in the county finals. They lost their first match but recovered to win their next four, which meant they qualified for the 3rd/4th playoff. They managed to beat a strong Saltford team to finish 3rd in the county - a great effort!

Year 4 Tennis - our winning team from a few weeks ago took part in the Summer Games County Finals on Wednesday at Bath University. It was a great performance



### Online payments

As we said in previous newsletters, we plan to go 'cashless' from September. If you have not already signed up to the School Gateway please take some time to set up your login and let us know in the office if you have any problems.

We would be grateful if you could make payments online during term 6 so that we can iron out any issues before September

#### Clubs

ALL CLUBS HAVE NOW FINISHED with the exception of Art & Cookery which will run for one further week in the w/c 13 July

## Library Books.

No library books will be issued after Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Please ensure that all outstanding books are returned commencing Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you.

#### Online School Uniform Shop

Don't forget that you can order school uniform online at www.mapac.com

Big thank you to Callum Swain from gardening club for the lovely plaque he gave to them.

against the top county teams and finished in a very credible 11th place

Athletics - our Quadkids team won the MSN Association event on Monday against 15 other schools. They had to perform a sprint, longer run, vortex throw and long jump and they performed excellently to come out on top! Our winning team then went over to Bath University on Wednesday to compete in the county finals. They repeated their success from last year by finishing in 3rd place - an agonizing 1 point off second! The team were a delight to take on the day and showed excellent sportsmanship throughout.

That was our last event of a quite amazing year! Mr Andrew would like to thank all the parents, grandparents, and anyone who has helped support our competitions this year!

Sports Awards Evening - a reminder that it is being held next Friday in the school hall at 6pm. Please bring forms back as soon as possible if children and adults plan on attending

And of course....any kits and shirts to be returned before the end of term, please.

#### PSG

We would like to invite you to an informal coffee morning in the school studio hall, 9:00am, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July to explore different ideas for how we could move forward and what the PSG and fundraising events might look like in future. Biscuits provided!

Have a lovely weekend,

Alun Randell Head Teacher



Max Jasmine Callum



For demonstrating exemplary behaviour, . .



Happy Birthday this week to the following children!!

Ava Amy Abby

Victoria Faith Phoebe



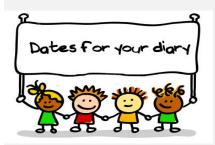
# News



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: Reports



Fri 8 July - Clubs finish for T6 except Cookery and KS1 Art club which will run for an extra week.

Mon 11 July - 2:00-3:00 Teddy Bears picnic for new reception children.

Thu 14 July - Y6 Leavers Trip to Avon Valley

Fri 15 July - Sports Award Evening Mon 18 July - Y6 Leavers Disco Wed 20 July - Y6 Leavers Presentation Wed 20 July Last Day of Term

Thu 21 July - INSET Day