

Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents & Carers,

It was lovely to see such a turn out for our Harvest Celebrations in Midsomer Norton Methodist Church on Monday. Thank you very much for your food donations which were gratefully accepted by the Bath Food Bank. I hope you had a chance to see our lovely artwork in the church. The art has now been relocated back to school - please pop in if you have not yet seen it.

Sports News

It has been a fantastic start to the year. In an 8 team tournament on Monday, after both teams won their respective groups, Midsomer Norton B just pipped Midsomer Norton A after a 4-4 draw in the final which went to a hit off! Great team spirit was shown by all. We would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Green for coaching the team last year and on the day.

In a 19 school cross country event 28 Year 5/6 pupils competed on a very testing course on Tuesday. Great commitment and determination was exhibited with over 100 pupils competing in each race. Our Year 5 boys came 3rd overall, our Year 5 girls came 4th and Year 6 boys and girls came 5th. A special well done to Savannah, Cora, Cameron, Ollie T, Leo, Ioan, Ollie M and Lottie for finishing in the top 20 and qualifying to represent the county in November.

Champions for Change

6 pupil representatives have been selected from Key Stage 2 as our 'Champions For Change', a fundraising initiative backed by Lloyds Bank to raise money for Children in Need. The Champions will lead an assembly on Monday explaining to the rest of the school how they can get involved in supporting this excellent cause.

Southwest in Bloom

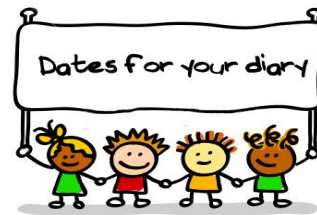
Not only has the excellent work of Mrs Witchell and her gardeners been recognised by Bath in Bloom, Southwest in Bloom have awarded Midsomer Norton Primary 'Outstanding' in the Community section - a fantastic outcome as part of the town's overall success in being named winners of the Champions Cup, Best in the South West! 6 children, their parents, Mrs Witchell and I were delighted to meet the mayor (and enjoy some nibbles) at the award ceremony on Monday evening.

Maths/ Abacus Information Evening - rescheduled.

Unfortunately, we have had to reschedule our Maths/ Abacus Information evening to Tuesday 10th November. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. The Key Stage 1 Maths/Abacus Coffee Morning will be held as scheduled on Thursday 8th October 9:15am.

Parents' Evenings

We will be trialing an online booking system for Parents' Evenings this year which should make the process much quicker and simpler for parents/carers and school. Please watch out for a letter explaining how to book your preferred slots next week. Any parents/carers who do not have access to the internet will be able to book by



Upcoming Events

Thursday 8th October -

KS1 Maths/Abacus Coffee Morning
9:15am

Tuesday 13th October - 6.00pm -
Camp Talks

Monday/ 19th / Wednesday 21st
October

Parents' Evenings 3:30-7:00pm

Important Announcements

Young Voices

All ticket requests have to be in the office by 9am on Monday 5th October with payments. Thank you.

Payments to school

Please don't forget that all payments to school can be made online via the School Gateway. You can make payments via debit or credit card or instant bank transfer.

There is a minimum payment of £10 for dinner money but once you have made a payment it stays on your account until meals have been taken to that value whether that is in the same week or across the whole academic year.

If you download the app to your phone it also means we can message you for free saving the school money! Why not give it a try?

www.schoolgateway.com

Head Lice

Please check your child/children's hair for our usual friends!! And treat accordingly. Thank you.

Please click [here](#) for details on treating head lice

Lost and Found

We have a huge amount of unnamed Lost and Found items in school - in a very good state. Please do come and check as we will soon need to dispose of our Lost and Found mountain!

Holidays in Term Time

Please remember that the school must abide by very strict guidelines when it comes to authorising holidays during term time. Authorisation can only be given for valid learning experiences or on compassionate grounds. We are not able to authorise holidays booked due to lower costs or to coincide with holidays of other family members.

phoning the school office. The parents evenings this term will be held on Monday 19th/ Wednesday 20th October 3:30pm - 7:00pm.

School Meals

As mentioned in communications last week, we have been having some issues with the quality of food delivered for school lunches. We are pleased to say that BANES have responded to our concerns very quickly and we expect to see a big improvement. We will be organising a parent survey in Term 3 which will give you an opportunity to voice your views on many aspects of school - including your views on whether or not school dinners have improved. We will also be refunding a credit to the account of all children who paid for a school meal last Thursday.

Parent Governor Election

Please remember the deadline for nominations for the Parent Governor Election is Friday 9th October.

Have a lovely weekend!

Alun Randell
Head Teacher



Class News

Drop and.....Read starts in KS1 on Thursday 24th September



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....

Science Dome

All letters are uploaded to the website

Key dates in T1 & 2

Thurs 8th Oct - 9.15am Maths/Abacus coffee morning (KS1)
Tues 13th Oct - 6.00pm - Y4 & Y6 Camp Talks
Mon 19th Oct - 3.30-7pm - Parents Eve & Homework Showcase
Wed 21st Oct - 3.30-7pm - Parents Eve & Homework Showcase
Thursday 12th Nov - 9.15am - Reading Coffee Morning
Monday 7th Dec - Christmas Lunch
Tues 8th -AM/Wed 9th - PM/Thurs 10th Dec - AM - Infants Nativity
Wed 16th Dec - KS2 Christmas Production - PM & Eve

Community News

Non League Day at Welton Rovers vs Barnstaple Town on 10th October 2015. Under 18s Free.

Kumon Study Centre, Midsomer Norton are offering a free trial until the end of October. For more details see

www.kumon.co.uk/Midsomer-Norton
or call 01761 453720



Head Teacher Awards



Ben Eva Tabitha Jack Oscar
Nikola Ellie Felix Cody Sophie
Jack Liam Frankie Charlie



Gold Awards



Lewis Daniel Toby Isaac Otis
Fatima Loius Cori Alexa Tilly



Birthdays



Happy Birthday this week to the following children!!

Bradley Samuel Eva Amber Lewis
Kyle Zoe Isabel Bobbie Beau
Isabella Jax