



# MIDSOMER NORTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

LEARNING FOR LIFE

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## NEWSLETTER 7

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Diary Dates:

Thu	27 Nov	Reception Maths workshop for parents 3.15pm (crèche available)
Sat	13 Dec	PSG Christmas Fayre
Tu-Th	9-11 Dec	Infants' Nativity: Tues 9th (9.15am); Weds 10th (2.15pm); Thurs 11th (9.15am)
Weds	17 Dec	Juniors (Y3-Y6) Christmas Celebrations 1.45 and 6.00pm
Fri	19 Dec	Last Day of Term 2 – PSG Christmas Discos

### Head's Message

**Charlie, Tianna, William, Harrison, Lewis, Ioan, Fletcher, Will, Danny**  
**Champions** in MSN Games Association Football Tournament @ Writhlington on Monday  
 Qualifiers to represent B&NES in County Tournament in January  
 (Beat Peasedown 4-0)  
 My Heroes!

**as are also...** Megan, Harrison and Lewis (again), Jamima, Lois and Evie C, who represented B&NES in the area cross country at Ashton Gate over half-term. They did very well just to qualify and we were very proud that they were representing our school and the local authority.

**Show & Share:** a reminder that you are invited to pop in to your child's class on the following days to see some of their learning – please take care to get the right day! Each visit starts at **2.30pm**.

**Monday** 24<sup>th</sup> November Y3/4  
**Tuesday** 25<sup>th</sup> November Nursery/Reception  
**Wednesday** 26<sup>th</sup> November Y1/2  
**Thursday** 27<sup>th</sup> November Y5/6

**Green data collection forms** ...are trickling in. If you have yet to return yours, please do so as soon as possible, so that we do not waste money and time issuing duplicates.

**Gardening Success** We are delighted to have been awarded Level 3 accreditation in the Royal Horticultural Society's Campaign for School Gardening. If you want to see what that actually means, have a quick look at the criteria we have fulfilled by clicking on the following link:  
<http://apps.rhs.org.uk/schoolgardening/teachershome/benchmarkscheme/level3/default.aspx>

**School Christmas Dinner** will be on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Please either call into the office or send a note with your child to confirm that they require a dinner on that day by 9am on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November. Even if you have free school meals or usually have a dinner on a Tuesday please follow the above instructions. A text went out on Tuesday, so please do respond. Thank you!

**Whole school photo** Your child may have told you that we all took part in a whole school photo yesterday (Thursday). This is primarily intended to be a memento for Mr Knollys and Mrs Hall when they leave us at the end of this term. However, we appreciate that some parents may wish to purchase a copy and so we will soon be sending home further details on how you can order.

**Lunch Boxes** We ask all parents of children who have packed lunches to monitor closely (a) what your child eats and (b) what your child gets. We've had instances of children throwing away (or even hiding) what you give them; other instances of children with entirely unhealthy lunches. Yes, it **is** our business, because an unhealthy diet, high in sugars and fats, has an impact on your child's long-term health and fitness, as well as their behaviour and concentration levels in the afternoons. Please have a chat with your child this weekend about lunches. Thank you.

**Drop and ...** learn sessions in Key Stage 1 will be re-starting on **Thursdays**, starting this coming week, running from doors-open to 9.00am – a chance for Y1/Y2 children to do some learning with parents/grand-parents and carers. Please come along!

## PSG News

We would like to thank everyone for all their kind donations of sweets, chocolates, loom bands and bottles of drink this morning and they will all be marked up with raffle tickets ready for the Sweet/Alcoholic Tombolas for the Christmas Fayre. On Monday a green box with tinsel will be placed on the table in the office so if anyone wishes to bring in any donations of teddies, red/green buttons or pom poms (all colours) it will be gratefully appreciated.

As we are all aware there are going to be lots of changes at Christmas with Mr Knollys and Mrs Hall leaving us for pastures new and Mrs Young and Mrs Hughes leaving to have babies. We are putting together a collection to buy them all a gift from the parents and if you wish to donate anything a box will be left with in the school office. Please can you put your money into an envelope and mark who it is for.

## Letters home this week

*KS1 Design & Technology week*

*Neptune class maternity cover*

*Moon class maternity cover*

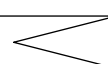
All letters are now uploaded to the website; follow this link to see them: <http://www.midsomernortonprimaryschool.com/index.php?id=94>

## **GOLD AWARDS Macey Thomas Tyley Harrison Olivia Oliver Emilly Lewis Danny**

*Gold Awards are given to children in assembly whose contribution to the life of the school has been exemplary.*



### **Head Teacher's Awards**



*were given out today in Assembly to the following pupils for exceptional effort in their work*

*Paige Callum Riley Libby Atley Evan*

*Calum Charlie Amy Harrison Jasminel Blake*

*Ava Freva-Mav Archie Eva Liam Keelev*

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

*An update on things going on in and around the area. Please feel free to notify us (by Wednesday) of any items to go in. The school does not actively endorse or vouch for any event publicised here.*

Calling all childminders, early years professionals, teachers and parents - a FREE, informative and friendly morning of training and networking: Making Music with Young Children, Saturday 15th November 10.00-12.00 at St Werburgh's Community Centre Horley Road, Bristol BS2 9TJ. For further information: Neil Johnson 07762 915347, or [neil@beymp.org](mailto:neil@beymp.org). With Vicky Meadows and Neil Johnson, early years music experts with Bristol Early Years Music Project. NB: This is an adults training event, not a children's workshop

**Daily outdoor fitness classes** in Midsomer Norton. Boxercise, Interval Training and Circuits available. Contact Sarah Isherwood of Alphega Fitness on 07429 149190 or [sarah.isherwood1@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.isherwood1@gmail.com) to receive your first class free!

**FROSTY CHRISTMAS SONG HUNT** on Saturday 29th November - pick up a trail sheet from S&B Kitchen Green Grocer in Radstock and look for the Christmas song themed displays in the shop windows throughout Radstock. Treasure at the end of the trail! £1 per trail sheet.

Don't miss the opportunity to win £50, £40 or £30 in the **Midsomer Norton Christmas Nativity competition** organised by Welton Baptist Church. There are 18 Cardboard Nativity characters to collect from various shops in the High Street to take home, colour, build, decorate and photograph. Look out for more details in the Journal newspaper, MSN Library or [www.weltonchurch.org.uk](http://www.weltonchurch.org.uk)

Jumble Sale being held at the Whisty Hall, Radstock on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 1.00 pm-3.00 pm.



## **Many Happy Returns!**



*Pupils with birthdays between the 21<sup>st</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> November are included in our list this week*

*Ashton Jai Felix Samuel Keisha*

*Chloe Joshua Summer Tinashe*

From all of us at Midsomer Norton Primary School, have a great weekend!