

Midsomer Norton Primary School



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Dear Parents & Carers,



I am writing this on Election Day which seems to have dominated our airwaves for so long! I know that many children are interested in what's been going on in the campaigns and it's good for them to show an interest in politics and voting and to know how important it is to use their vote (when they're old enough!) and have their say. We have spent some time in classes debating and discussing this.

Another news story that seems to unfold more tragically daily is the terrible devastation caused by the earthquake in Nepal. 5000 people are confirmed dead and 8 million have been left homeless. We think it is important as a school we support the families affected by this disaster and would like all the children and adults in the school to donate 'a pound for Nepal' next week. The money raised will be donated to the Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC) who work with other groups to provide emergency shelter, food, clean water and blankets. You can find out more by following this link. <http://www.dec.org.uk/appeals/nepal-earthquake-appeal>



Children can give their £1 to their class teacher any day next week. Thank You

Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers finishes soon. Please keep collecting and bringing them into school

Year 6 SATs

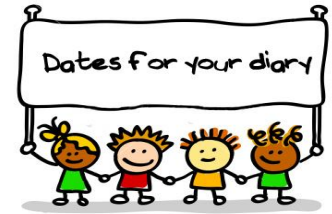


Our year 6 children have an important and busy week ahead of them next week with SATs tests; however we want them to know that this is not a time to feel anxious but to show off all they can do and be proud of all the hard work they have put in. I know their teachers have also been working extremely hard preparing them and have lots of nice things planned for afterwards! If you are a parent/carer of a child in Year 6 please ensure they are well rested, relaxed and ready for Monday!

Volunteer Readers



Year 1 & 2 teachers have asked if parents/carers/relatives can spare any time to hear children read. Please let the office know if you can and they will pass it on. Also a BIG thank you to our existing volunteers.....you do a great job and are greatly appreciated!



Upcoming Events

W/C May 11th

Key Stage 2 SATs for Year 6

Friday May 22nd PSG Mufti Day (bring bottles or sweets)

Wednesday June 10th Reception
Induction Evening-New Starters

W/C June 15th Phonics screening
check for Year 1

Thursday June 25th Abacus Maths
coffee morning @ 8.45am

Tuesday 30th June Sports Day 

Thursday July 2nd Shuffle Up Day-
New classes (to be announced nearer
the time)

Friday July 17th Year 6 Leavers'
Assembly

Term 5 ends Friday 22nd May
Term 6 starts Monday June 1st
Term 6 ends Friday July 17th

Next year's term dates are now
available on the school website

Important Announcement

School Car Park

Please be reminded that the school car park is for staff parking only and our disabled spaces are for our parents with children with special educational needs and disabilities who need to pick up safely near to the school. The gates to our carpark will be closed (not locked) by Mr Dowell after drop off time in the morning.

Online Payments

Don't forget that you can now use the School Gateway to make payments including for school dinners. For more details on how to sign up to the Gateway



Class News

Abacus Maths



Teachers have had training this week on how to use our new Abacus Maths scheme. This will be accessible for pupils at home also. Next term children will be given a login to use the resources and do allocated homework. Children will know what to do and a letter will be coming home to explain. We would like to show you how it works on Thursday 25th June at a coffee morning. We will be learning to use it in the classroom over term 6 with a proper launch in September and a maths evening- so don't worry if you can't make it this time! Please let your child's teacher know if you don't have access to a computer/tablet etc. and/or the internet at home as we will make provision in school to use the online resources



Head Teacher Awards



For achievement in learning....

Evie Jessica Tilly Sonny Victoria
Deimantas Lacey Jessica Leo William
Rose Jackson Adam



Gold Awards



For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Tilly Cooper Alex Lewis Faith
Tilly Evie Misha Summer Jasmine
Kathryn Hope

Birthdays



Happy Birthday this week to the following children!!

Millie Erica

Drop and.....

Every **Wednesday** morning from 8.35 am for Key Stage 1- Venus, Mars and Pluto

Drop and.....

Every **Thursday** from 8.35am for Reception-Star & Moon Class

*Please note the day and time has changed

Letters Home This Week.....

Y3/4 Charmouth Trip
Y1/2 Bristol Zoo Trip

All letters are uploaded to the website



CAKE SALES!!!!



Year 3/4 are holding their last cake sale on Friday 15th May after school. It will be outside if fine, if not in the Studio hall. This is in aid of their trip to Charmouth to do some fossil hunting.

