

Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents/ Carers,

It has been an exciting week in school as we marked STEM week (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). The children have been involved in a range of activities and Professor Poopenstinken visited on Tuesday and wowed the children with his maths demonstrations. We planned to finish off our week with a science show and workshops today, but due to an error in the online reservation system, this has now been postponed to Wednesday.

Next week, will be another busy, exciting week. We have our rearranged science shows, we will be fundraising for Sports Relief and we will finish off with our House morning on Friday. On Friday, children are encouraged to come into school dressed as their favourite sports star or in their own sports clothes in return for a suggested donation of £1.00 to go to Sports Relief. On Wednesday it is also **Down's Syndrome Awareness Day**; children are encouraged to wear odd socks if they wish in the hope that when asked why they are wearing odd socks they can respond, 'because it is Down's Syndrome Awareness Day'.

Dance Umbrella

Well done to our KS1 and KS2 Dance Umbrella participants this week. They were amazing! It takes a lot of hard work and dedication but our children shone in front of very large audiences!



Staffing

We welcome two new teachers to our school this week. Mrs Laura Brereton will be teaching Uranus class for the remainder of the year. Mrs Julie Grice will be teaching Moon class after Easter, once Mrs Hinder begins her maternity leave, and also teaching Pluto class on Thursday and Fridays. Mrs Judson will teach part-time after Easter before leaving the school at the end of the year due to her imminent relocation. We will be saying our goodbyes properly in the summer!

Safe parking

I have written previously that Sainsbury's have asked parents/carers not to park in their delivery bays. I have grown increasingly concerned about the possibility of an accident with children crossing the road, cars turning right into the road and other cars reversing as they leave. I have been very pleased at the response I have received from parents this week when I have explained my concerns but must please ask again that parents/ carers use the main Sainsbury car park, not the delivery bays, to drop off their children. We are actually very lucky compared to many schools that we have so much parking just a very short walk away from the school entrance.



Toys in school

I would like to remind parents/ carers that children should not bring toys to school with the following exceptions:

- Greenie time on Fridays
- Playground toys (clearly named) such as footballs, skipping ropes etc).

Young children will often swap toys and change their minds later leading to misunderstandings and upset so please do not allow your child to bring anything to school of value or that they regard as precious or to swap toys with other children.

Please sign up to ParentPay if you haven't already done so.

Maths Club

Next term, Magical Maths will be running a maths club for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 pupils on Wednesdays after school. The cost is £40 for 6 weeks. Please visit: www.magicalmathsclub.com or telephone or call 0117 405 8118 to book a place.

Have a lovely weekend!

Alun Randell
Head teacher



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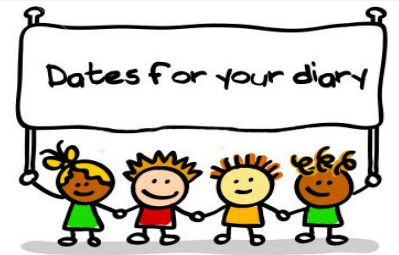


Don't forget that you can catch up with what's going on in school on our twitter feed:

<https://twitter.com/MSNPrimary>

Letters home this week:

All letters are uploaded to the school website



Neptune Class - Swimming Tuesdays
Fri 23rd March- End Term 4
Monday 9th April-Inset Day
Tuesday 10th April-Beg Term 5
Weds 11th-Fri 13th April- Year 4 Camp



Head Teacher Awards
Ffion Ruby Scarlett Max

Toby Amber Pippa Elwood

Charlie Amber



Gold Awards
For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Ruby Jack Skye Frasier

Isaac Solomon Millie

Thomas Samuel Olivia



Birthdays
Joseph Ellie Siena

Attendance Champions of the week

1 st	Mercury & Jupiter	96.3%
2 nd	Uranus, Star, Venus & Mars	96.1%