

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

We've come to the end of a busy week and had lots of visitors in school. The children have made me extremely proud and shown off how amazing they are. They have been extremely polite, talked animatedly about their learning and were enthusiastic towards the topics being taught.



Next week will be another busy week for most of the Year 6 children and some of the staff. We're off to Osmington Bay in Weymouth. I will be away with the children, but will be in regular contact with the staff back at school. If you need to speak to anyone in school, please follow our communication policy.

Updates on Osmington Bay will be added to the school website and on the school's Facebook page. I will be letting parents know when we have arrived through Facebook so that will be the quickest place to check

Miss Wharton

DATES TO REMEMBER

**Monday 10th February –
Friday 14th February**
Year 6 residential trip to
Osmington Bay

Friday 14th February
Last day of half term
Non-Uniform for good &
improved attendance

**Monday 17th February –
Friday 21st February**
Half Term

Monday 24th February
First day back

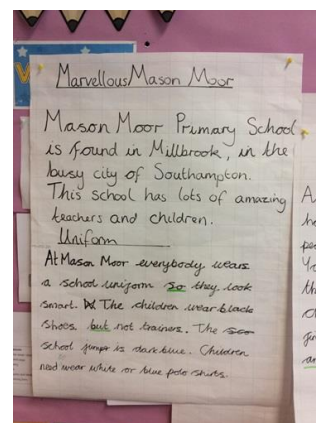
Thursday 5th March
World Book Day

SCHOOL DISCO ~ A very special thank you to everyone who came to the school disco and to the Friends of Mason Moor for organising another great event. Everyone had a fabulous time!



CLASS IN FOCUS – Year 2 Ennis

Year 2 have been learning all about non-chronological reports. We have looked at some examples and thought about what features are found in them. We have planned our own non-chronological report about Mason Moor Primary. Have a look at our class shared write, we have been trying hard to include conjunctions in our writing to extend our sentences. *Mrs Deakin*





COMMUNICATION POLICY

It is very important to us that we work closely in partnership with parents and carers, and communication between home and school is key. We recognise however that it can often be difficult communicating with teachers because they have a very full timetable; and we recognise that parents and carers also have very busy lives.

Telephone

Please use the main reception number (023 8039 0140) to leave a message for a teacher to contact you:

- Administration staff will relay messages to teachers as soon as possible
- If a call is urgent, please inform the receptionist who will attempt to find a senior member of staff to speak to you.
- We will try to respond to you within three working days, if not the same day.
- Please note lessons will never be interrupted for teachers to take calls.

Email

Please use info@masonmoorprimary.co.uk if you need to contact staff via email, they will then forward the email to the appropriate member of staff:

- Teachers are not in a position to check emails consistently throughout the day and the school does not expect work email to be checked during a teacher's personal time.
- We aim to respond to you as soon as possible and within three working days. Part-time staff may take longer to reply.

Meetings

The day-to-day care, welfare and safety of your child is managed by the person who is placed closest to them.

- In the first instance, please approach the following members of staff who are responsible for your child in the following order:
 - 1) Classroom Teacher
 - 2) Phase Leader (Mrs Mears / Miss Westley)
 - 3) Assistant Headteacher (Mrs Deakin) or SENDCo if related to learning needs (Mrs Wilkinson)
 - 4) Deputy Headteacher (Mr Evans)
 - 5) Headteacher (Miss Wharton)
- Meetings should always be pre-arranged with members of staff.
- If you urgently need to see someone, for instance if there is a serious family emergency or a child protection issue, please phone ahead and the reception staff will do their best to find a senior member of staff to see you.
- For non-urgent meetings we will aim to meet with you within five working days. The school will determine the level of urgency at its discretion, to enable it to manage multiple demands.

ATTENDANCE

Reminder – If your child is late after registers are closed this is recorded as **UNAUTHORISED** which equates to a half day absence and effects overall attendance.

We would like to say thank you for the support with the changes to the morning routine, this is a real positive start to the day. We are already seeing improvements in lateness, however we still have a long way to go in improving whole school attendance. Due to a high number of unauthorised absences we will be issuing penalty notices for poor attendance and punctuality. We remind you that it is your legal duty, as a parent, to ensure your child attends school and is accessing an education.

Please contact the school office if you have any concerns about your child's attendance.

STAR OF THE WEEK

Week ending 24/01/20

1 Adams: Jack
2 Ennis: Summer-Rose
3 /4 Simmonds: Tyler
3 /4 Fraser: Maggie-Lu
Farah: Daniel
Peaty: Liam
Headteacher: Sienna
Deputy: Harley



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please be advised that after February half term there will be a crackdown on uniform compliance. All students are required to be wearing either a plain blue sweatshirt or logoed sweatshirt, black/grey trousers or skirt and black school shoes. Strictly no hoodies or non-school shoes. Anyone not complying with the uniform expectations will be questioned. Here is the link for our uniform:

<https://www.masonmoorprimary.co.uk/page/?title=The+School+Uniform&pid=13>

LOCAL COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Southampton Lantern Festival Parade 2020

Saturday 8th February 2020
15:30 – Guildhall Square, Above Bar Street



This free event includes a stunning Chinese New Year Lantern light parade. This parade is a visual feast of colour and light as a sea of lanterns accompanies a dazzling luminous Dragon. The parade commences at the Southampton's Bargate, travels down the high street, and finishes in the Guildhall Square. Go online to book free tickets <https://visitsouthampton.co.uk/events>

REMINDER

ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS - PLEASE TAKE CARE AND WALK SAFELY TO AND FROM SCHOOL. IF YOU ARE TRAVELLING BY CAR, PLEASE TAKE EXTRA CARE NEAR GATE ENTERANCES AND BE MINDFUL OF STUDENTS WALKING. THERE WAS A NEAR MISS THIS WEEK!