

HEAD TEACHER MESSAGE

We are nearly half way through this academic year. We have produced some amazing learning, but there's loads more to come. All of the staff are busy preparing for next half term's learning. Look out for the learning maps that will be coming out in the first week back.



To finish off this term, some of our Year 6 children have been visiting Osmington Bay residential site. They have taken part in some really fun activities: zipline, trapeze, street surfing, sensory trail and lots more. Thank you ever so much to all the staff that have given up their own time to take the children: Miss Birkett, Mr Day, Miss Tribbeck and Miss Westley. This trip could not take place without staff who volunteer. Year 5 children, look out for your letters for next year - they will be coming home before Easter.

There will be some changes taking place in school during half term. The main one is that all lockers are being removed from the school and being replaced with pegs outside of the classroom. This should give more space inside the classrooms and help to keep the school tidy.

We hope everyone has a lovely break and look forward to seeing you in a week.

Miss Wharton

DATES TO REMEMBER

**Monday 10th February –
Friday 14th February**

Year 6 residential trip to
Osmington Bay

Friday 14th February

Last day of 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

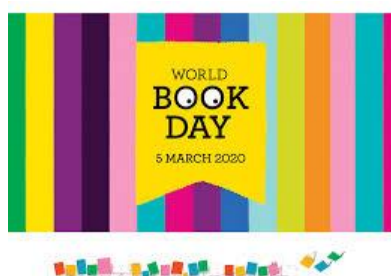
Wednesday 18th March

Mother's Day wrapping

SAVE THE DATE – THURSDAY 5TH MARCH

WORLD BOOK DAY

Please come dressed as your favourite book character



STAR OF THE WEEK



Week ending 31/01/20

R Fragapane: Nshira
1 Wiggins: Evie
1 Wiggins: Harrison
1 Adams: Aaron
2 Ennis: Vincent
3 /4 Simmonds: Archie
3 /4 Fraser: Mani
3 /4 Redgrave: Layla
5 /6 Ainslie: Bella
Farah: Gary
Deputy: Brody

NON-UNIFORM DAY FOR GOOD ATTENDANCE FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

Letters went out yesterday to those children who have earned a non-uniform day for good attendance for this half term.

CLASS IN FOCUS – Year 3/4 SIMMONDS

In Simmonds class we have been learning about plants in science.

This week we have learnt about how water is transported around the plant through the xylem tubes. To test this we have set up an experiment using celery and food colouring. The food colouring is absorbed through the xylem and travels through the plant and dyes the plant the colour of the food colouring.

Mrs Wood



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>

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.

LOCAL COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES – THE CIRCUS IS COMING TO TOWN

Saturday 15th February – Sunday 8th March
Bursledon Circus Site, Bursledon Road SO19 8NJ

Looking for something to do in half term? Circus Wonderland is coming to town with a brand new show for 2020. For more information visit www.circuswonderland.co.uk



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.