



# MASON MOOR

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## Headteacher News | Friday 15th December 2023

**What a week!** We have had a range of events and special awards that all children have been involved with and parents to! It was so great to see children with great attendance using the dance mats in the hall. There were many dance moves executed with perfection, better than I could do!

**Mason Moor Mini Funfair** This week Mason Moor's welcomed Charles Coles Family Fun Fair to the playground for all the children to enjoy. Every class had a slot to enjoy a range of fairground rides and parents were invited in to enjoy this with them. Everyone had a great time and I heard that many packs of sweets were won for the strongest children on the hammer and bell activity. Every child also received pizza or a hot dog after to complete our fairground experience, I also hear the snow machine was fired up to give that full winter feeling.

**Attendance** We celebrated all of the children who achieved 95%-100% attendance. This is an amazing achievement and saw many children receiving some prizes for persevering throughout this season of colds! Children with 100% attendance for the term had the chance of winning a scooter or a bike! Four children were selected, two children from KS1 and two children from KS2. Please see the photos at the end of the newsletter for our winners and their wonderful prizes. Congratulations to all of our 100% attendees.

**Behaviour** has been a focus of celebration this week with children receiving certificates from our Track-it system. These certificates indicate how many green point children have received and then rank these from bronze through to diamond. I am happy to report that over 800 certificates have been printed across the school with many of them being diamond and platinum. Proud is an understatement!

All that is left to say is have a very merry Christmas and may you all enjoy a calm and meaningful time together as a family.

From Mason Moor to your homes, thank you for all your hard work this term and see you all refreshed for the new year.

### Swimming Lessons Completed

Last week year 1 and 2 spent time in the swimming pool with the swimming instructors from Active 360. Every child has had the opportunity to gain water confidence and either learn to swim or to improve their confidence and swimming ability.

Thank you to all of our parent(s) and carer(s) for ensuring that your child(ren) had their swim kit each day.



### E-scooters on school site

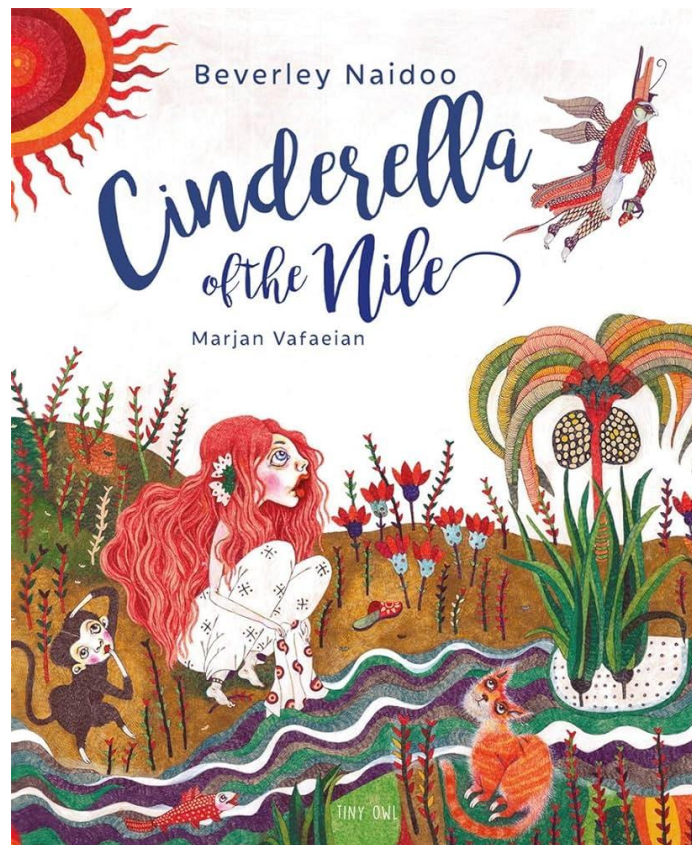
A reminder that we do not allow e-scooters on site at Mason Moor Primary School. If you arrive on site with one, we will politely ask you to leave these at the gate.

This also included any form of bike or scooter as it impedes the safety of other children on the playground at a busy time.

It's paramount that members of the school community can wander across the playground safely at each end of the school day so please keep this in mind.



## Book Review- Year 2



“We have really enjoyed the story but it was really sad in places such as when she got kidnapped! We were so shocked but the story does eventually have a happy ending where she then marries a prince. It was a clever story because we noticed that it was like the original story of Cinderella but was based in Egypt with a few changes. We would recommend that anyone reads this book, especially if you like Egypt and happy endings!”

## Reminder: Who is teaching my child this year?

<u>Year group</u>	<u>Adults</u>
<b>The Ark</b>	Ms Meenaghan, Mrs Cooke, Ms Harding, Ms Kennett
<b>Year R</b>	Miss Askham and Miss Slade
<b>Year 1</b>	Mrs Woods and Mrs Day
<b>Year 2</b>	Ms Frape and Mrs Rawlings
<b>Year 3</b>	Miss Frape, Mrs Browne and Mrs Tribbeck
<b>Year 4</b>	Mrs Benfield and Mrs Shepherd
<b>Year 5</b>	Miss McKenzie and Mrs McGratten
<b>Year 6</b>	Mr Taylor, Mr Turner, Ms Plomer and Mrs Cooper



# MASON MOOR ATTENDANCE

## OUR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE THIS WEEK...

**93.6%** - Mason Moor, let's work together to improve this!

### Our Class Cake winners

## Year 3!

Well done to Year 3 children - a brilliant 97.6%. Highest attendance this week!



### Our Monday Morning Milkshake Winners

## Year 3!

With a

# FANTASTIC 100%!!!!!!



## Whole School Attendance Figures

	Last Week	This Week
Year R	74.4%	88.8%
Year 1	92.1%	91.4%
Year 2	92.4%	90.7%
Year 3	94.4%	97.6%
Year 4	95.3%	93.5%
Year 5	91.1%	95%
Year 6	93.2%	96.5%

**Please help us improve our school attendance by sending your child in every day.**

### Top Tips for improving your child's attendance

If your child has a cough or cold, we are happy to monitor your child in class and we will always call you if

we feel they need to go home.

1. Send them in every day - except if they have sickness or diarrhoea. We can make sure they are looked after.
2. Don't book holidays during term time. They miss important elements of learning.
3. Speak to us if you are having difficulties  
We will work with you to help improve your child's attendance. Any concerns please contact Mrs Deltrieu in the school office.

## Mason Moor Award Winners - Presenting the Pride of Mason Moor...



## GOLDEN BOOK AWARD WINNERS

### EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Willow
1 Blue	Miki
2 Blue	Kiara
3 Blue	Lexi

### Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Lillie H
5 Blue	Maci
6 Blue	Juno

## Handwriting AWARD WINNERS

### EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Cianna
1 Blue	Octavia
2 Blue	Robin
3 Blue	Amina

### Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Fahd
5 Blue	Anton
6 Blue	Lorenzo

## READER OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS

### EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Year	Winner
R Blue	Kojo
1 Blue	Benjamin
2 Blue	Lillie
3 Blue	Kiven

### Key Stage 2 Children

Year	Winner
4 Blue	Robert
5 Blue	Ed
6 Blue	Jack P

## Key dates/events for next week (the week after the Christmas break!)

- Tuesday 2nd January Inset day (School will be closed).
- Wednesday 3rd January - English Class with parents.
- Thursday 4th January - Challenging behaviour workshop.

## PE Stars of the Week

Key Stage1	SEND festive sport team.
Key Stage 2	Year 3 + 4 Basketball Team

## PE Word of the Week:

# Bounce pass

### Example:

The bounce pass is a short, fast paced pass which makes it difficult for the opposition to intercept. It is used in close quarters play when defensive pressure is on the offensive team.

## PE Thought of the Week

**‘Nothing is impossible, the words itself says ‘I’m Possible’**



Mr Bauck our PE coach took a group of children from years 3 and 4 to a basketball festival at Southampton Solent University. Everyone played with #teammasonmoor spirit and scored some incredible baskets. Great job Year 3 and Year 4

## Learning at Mason Moor this week:

### RECEPTION

This week, Reception have spent a lot of time talking and learning about different winter celebrations. We have learnt about the Christian celebration of Christmas and the Jewish celebration of Hanukkah. We have also revisited our maths learning of addition and subtraction.

### MAPLE CLASS

This week the children in Maple Class have been writing diaries and enjoying topic lessons within years 4, 5 and 6. Maple Class had fun at the fair, had a wonder time at the Christmas Lunch and even met Father Christmas.

Have a wonderful Christmas Maple Class

### Year 1

This week we have finished our topic on the 'Stone Age'. We have made Stone Age tools out of salt dough well as making an island out of a paper plate. These have been key to consolidating our foundation topics but also linking to the wonderful work we have all done in year 1.

### Year 2

This week we have focussed on our topic of Egypt across all subjects and have worked on creating ancient Egyptian artefacts. We have also finished our independent writing about a ladybug who goes on a special adventure. Please come and see our amazing writing to find out more! We have also started our swimming lessons and we have all been so brave in putting out heads underwater and trying to use different techniques to swim.

### Year 3

This week we have been focusing on our Christmas book called The Snowman. We then used this book to write instructions on how to build a snowman. Hopefully we get some snow this Christmas so we can practise. In history we have been looking at how our life is different now compared to imperial China. We have decided that laptops and good medicine are motivators to want to live now rather than back in imperial China.

### Year 4

Year 4 has been learning about adding and subtracting fractions. We all loved reading and watching 'The Grinch who Stole Christmas' understanding what was similar and what was different between the two. The children in Year 4, also completed their independent write on a newspaper article which has been amazing.

Have a lovely Christmas Break. Remember to stay safe.

### Year 5

This week in Year 5 we have had a lot of fun! We have made lots of different objects for the Mason Moor Museum and enjoyed our Christmas Dinner on Thursday! We read and watched The Snowman as a part of our Christmas reading day and wrote setting descriptions using different pictures from the book.

### Year 6

This week in year 6 we have worked really hard on creating a letter to say thank you to Tesco for their donation of over 200 oranges for our Christingles. In science we have also been working on creating electrical circuits where we managed to make a dimmer switch to make the bulb brighter or dimmer. In art we have been looking at pointillism and enjoyed recreating a famous piece of art work.



# MASON MOOR IN PHOTOS

Huge Well done to our Mason Moor Museum winners.

1st place - Shelby (Centre) Marwell Zoo Family Pass

2nd place - Milleah (right) £50 Cinema Voucher

3rd place - Ishat (Left) Golden Ticket Class Award for a Movie



## Mason Moor Museum

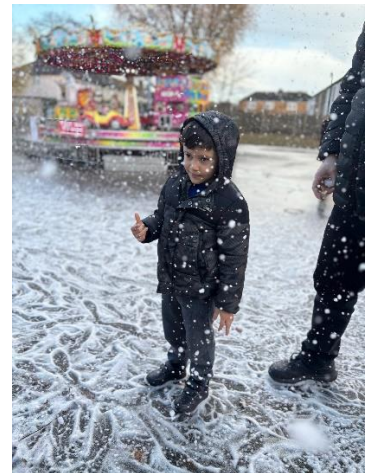


## Attendance Winners





## Fun Fair



## Christmas Dinner





## Visit from Santa



## Pupil Feedback from Dance Mats

Children that achieved 95% and higher attendance were treated to Dance Mats in the hall. We received the most wonderful feedback from the team. Well, done Everyone.

*"Good afternoon Mason Moor,*

*Mark and I would just like to say how lovely your children were today, they were friendly, kind to each other and listened amazingly well. Having never been to your school before and only working with the children that come to School Games events; the ones we saw today definitely did Mason Moor proud.*

*We do dance mats in a lot of schools across Southampton, and truly your pupils we had today, did some of the best listening when we needed them too, which meant they got some much more time to dance and boogie to the music.*

*Thank you so much for such a fun morning. We hope the children had just as much fun as we did working with them"*

## Events in the Community



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18 DECEMBER - 22 DECEMBER

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## CHRISTMAS HALF TERM

MONDAY 18 DECEMBER  
TUESDAY 19 DECEMBER  
WEDNESDAY 20 DECEMBER  
THURSDAY 21 DECEMBER

SEN SESSIONS

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& GARDEN



# *Meet Father Christmas & Enjoy Festive Crafts*

**Dates:**

Sat 9, Sun 10,  
Sat 16, Sun 17,  
Mon 18 December



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# SEN Christmas Party

21st December

- Arts and Craft in Injoys Winter Wonderland
- Christmas themed decorations
- Christmas gift bag included
- Access to all activities
- £7.50 per child

Book Online  
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Hello,

Thanks for taking part! We really hope you enjoyed the session. Don't forget, we have plenty more classes, activities and tours for all ages at weekends, evenings and in the school holidays!

We also have live online workshops and talks on art and history topics, here at the gallery and at our partner venues, SeaCity Museum and Tudor House and Garden Museum.

Join our mailing list or visit our websites to find out more. We hope to see you soon.

Best wishes,

Southampton City Art Gallery

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