



MASON MOOR

PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Headteacher News | Friday 23rd February 2024

What a fantastic start to the new half term!

Year 6 visited London's Natural History Museum! The children explored the museum and then completed a workshop on evolution. They enjoyed looking at the different areas and exploring our world's history. Dolly was excited to talk about the diamonds, whereas Millie enjoyed looking at the different crystals – the amethyst was her favourite! We are proud of how the children conducted themselves on the trip.

Eco week has seen some incredible learning! Across the school, children developed their understanding of sustainable living and how to be ecofriendly. It was wonderful to hear Year 5's speeches on climate change and seeing Year 1 create their owls using resources from our school. One of our school governors was blown away by their incredible knowledge! Well done Mason Moor!

Our school rabbits have settled in well! To support our children's well-being, we have 2 school pets which will live in our Nursery. Pets are a great way to teach children responsibility, cooperation, and kindness. The rabbits are loving their new home and have settled in well to Mason Moor. We have loved seeing the impact it is having on our Nursery children's confidence, and the buzz around school.

Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 27th February - The Ark Parents Evening from 1pm

Tuesday 27th February – Year 1 Class Assembly at 9am

Tuesday 27th February – English Lessons for Parents 9am-10am

Tuesday 27th February - The Ark Parents Evening

Wednesday 28th February - Year 2 Class Assembly at 9am

Wednesday 28th February – KS1 Disco for £3

Thursday 29th February – KS2 Disco for £3

Thursday 29th February – The Ark Parents Evening from 1pm

Saturday 2nd March – Year 6 Saturday School from 9am



Have a wonderful weekend,

#teammasonmoor

Miss A Kennett | Senior Assistant Headteacher and SENCO

Weekly Attendance Monitoring - Our Target is 97%

Remember: we will not authorise ANY absence during term time. Please make sure your child attends school on-time every day.

WARNING

MASON MOOR ATTENDANCE: 91.8%

Class Cake Winners



Year 4

Well done to all the children in this class - we are proud of each one of you.

Monday Morning Milkshake Winners



Year 4!

Whole School Attendance figures:

	Last Week	This Week
Nursery	79.5%	94.2%
Year R	93%	79.1%
Year 1	86%	94.1%
Year 2	85.3%	95.1%
Year 3	85.9%	89.6%
Year 4	87%	98.1%
Year 5	89.9%	97.4%
Year 6	90.8%	85.5%
Whole School	88.1%	91.8%

Top Tips for improving your child's attendance:

1. Send them in every day - except if they have sickness, diarrhoea or chicken pox. We can make sure they are looked after.
2. Don't book holidays during term time. They miss important elements of learning.

If you need support, please speak to Mrs Deltrieu.

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



GOLDEN BOOK AWARD WINNERS

EYFS Children

Nursery	The Ark	R Blue
Ayaat	Ricco	Kojo

Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
1 Blue	Georgia
2 Blue	Zachary
3 Blue	Tilly

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Panashe
5 Blue	Callum
6 Blue	Ashley

Handwriting AWARD WINNERS

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Ohemaa
1 Blue	Oscar
2 Blue	Lilly
3 Blue	Shasmeen

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Kavya
5 Blue	Leighton
6 Blue	Millie

READER OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Year	Winner
R Blue	Willow
1 Blue	Curtis
2 Blue	David
3 Blue	Leo

Key Stage 2 Children

Year	Winner
4 Blue	Jerry
5 Blue	Nicola
6 Blue	Mia

Spotlight on PE

PE Word of the Week:

tactic

Definition:

An action or strategy carefully planned to achieve a specific goal.

Example – Coming up with a plan to win a match.

PE thought of the week.

"The game is never more important than the people you play with."

PE AWARD WINNERS

KS1	Aryan – Year 3	KS2	Saud – Year 6
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PE Days

Children will need to wear PE kits to school on the days they have PE.
A reminder that a PE kit is a white t shirt, black or navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms, trainers.

Monday:

Years 1, 2, 3, 5

Wednesday:

Years R, 4, 6



Learning at Mason Moor:

Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been focussing on ECO Week. We have been using recycled and natural materials to create sustainable resources to enhance our learning. The children have learned about different animals and their enclosures and habitats. We have used our recycled materials to create our own musical shakers, animal boxes and paint brushes to support our outdoor provision. This week we have welcomed Snowball and Peter, our two Rabbits into Nursery where we have discussed how to look after them and Hygiene after handling them.

The Ark

This week we have enjoyed making use of different spaces in our school. We have been visiting the Nursery every afternoon which we have really enjoyed, particularly since the arrival of the pet rabbits! We have also enjoyed being able to use the hall when it has been too wet to go outside.

Year R

This week we have been learning about Hedgehogs as part of schools ECO week. We have also been learning about where they live and what they like to eat and then went into the school woods to create our designed Hedgehog houses.

In Maths we have explore sharing into equal groups and we have also learnt about Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday and then made pancakes which we flipped in the pan with Miss Slade's help and only one pancake tried to escape!

Year 1

This week for eco week, Year One has looked at the trees within our grounds, we have identified them and also learnt about the animals that live in them. Later in the week we made beetle buckets in the wooded area. For art we created owls using the sticks we found on the playground.

Year 2

This week Year 2 have enjoyed eco week. We went litter picking around the school and collected lots of rubbish making our school grounds look clean and tidy. Then we made a sculpture made out of rubbish using wire to keep all the pieces together!

Year 3

This week Year 3 have had a great time with all their eco-week activities. We have been litter picking, learned all about composting and its benefits, and how to be a gardener. Finally, we repurposed tyres to create beautiful planters outside our classroom.

Year 4

In Year 4 this week we have been thinking about how we can save energy in the school. We wrote a questionnaire and asked the teachers how they effectively save energy during the day. We have written letters to Mr Constable-Phelps to share our ideas for making Mason Moor a more sustainable school. The children have also created some wonderful posters to remind everyone how we can save energy at school.

Year 5

In Year 5 this week, we have been learning all about food waste and the impact it has on the environment. We have written speeches to persuade people to waste less food and on Friday we recited them to the class using our Oracy skills! We have also painted wildflowers made from recycled materials to persuade people to reduce, reuse and recycle. We also enjoyed playing Just Dance when it was raining outside!

Year 6

Wow what a first week back after half term for Year 6! In sustainability and eco week, we have been looking into climate change and deforestation across the world. In Reading and Writing, we have been researching about deforestation across the world, particularly in Brazil. We've found out lots of information that the children have been engaged in. In the afternoons, our home classes have begun making our protest banners of trying to protect our environment. The children have taken so much pride in these and have turn out amazing! We were blown away by them!

Then, we had our amazing school trip to London National History Museum. The children had so much enthusiasm despite the torrential rain walking to the coach first thing. They all have been super during the day! Finding and exploring interesting facts, including the evolution workshop we did. What a first week back!

Maple Class

The pupils have come back from their half term break and settled quickly back into school. In our SPaG lessons this week, we have been focusing on simple past tense and perfect present tense. In our Big Write lesson, Maple have been looking at noun phrases and extended noun phrases. In maths this week we have been consolidating our learning around rounding numbers to the nearest 10/100/1000. In our topic, maths, the pupils have been focusing on telling o'clock, quarter past, half past, and quarter to times.

PE

This week our children started their Send and Return unit of work which has a strong focus on Tennis skills. The children have learned the different parts of the tennis racket, how to hold the racket and how to use the racket with control.



Picture Highlights



Eco and Sustainability Week

This week we have explored how we take care of our planet and sustainable living.







Year R
Making
Pancakes



Year 6 at the
Natural History
Museum

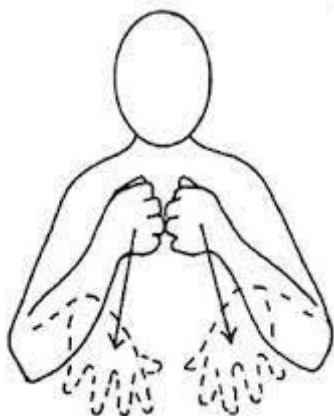
Sign of the Week

Makaton is a visual way to develop communication skills, which helps stimulate sounds and words.

Makaton is used across Early Years settings, as well as with children with SEND and those who need to build up their confidence.

Signs of the week:

finished



Year 6 Saturday School!

To support them with their upcoming SATS, we will be offering Saturday School to Year 6 each week.

We will provide additional support and teaching in each subject, as well as snacks and play time!

Please speak to Mr Turner, Ms Benfield or Ms Brooks to sign up!

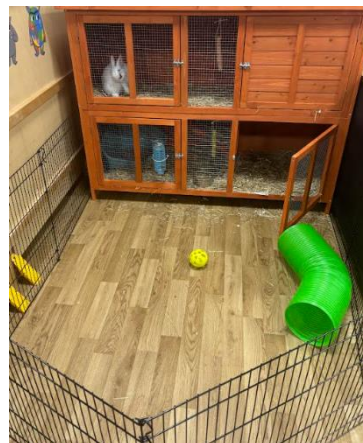


Meet our school mascots!

To support our children's well-being, we have 2 furry additions to our school... our Mason Moor rabbits!

The benefits of having schools' pets include:

- Teaching responsibility
- Promoting social skills
- Encourages nurture
- Learning to make friends
- Exploring life cycles and habitats
- Building self esteem
- Confidence boosting
- Enhances well-being



The rabbits live in our wonderful Nursery but are available for all children to spend time with!



Snowball

Peter



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*Is your child 3 or 4 years old?
Come and join our amazing new
Nursery!*

We offer 15-30 hours of provision, in our new Nursery with our fantastic team!

Your child can begin their Mason Moor journey and give them the best start to their education.

Visit our school office or our website for information on registering your child.

<https://www.masonmoorprimary.co.uk/contact-us>