



# MASON MOOR

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## Headteacher News | Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

What a busy week at Mason Moor!

**This week children completed tests, allowing them to demonstrate their learning.** We are incredibly proud of how the children behaved during test week, and their resilience throughout. Children have been proudly showing off their work and have been supporting each other during test week. Extra reward time has been given throughout the week!

**Year 5 had their second visit from the University, as part of their climate trackers project.** They experienced using coding to support their understanding of the climate, and used different electrical equipment to see how scientists use technology to conduct research. It was amazing to see our budding scientists learning about our future!

**EYFS have learnt about Lunar New Year.** As part of their fine motor development, they used scissors to make lanterns, wrote lucky red numbers, and tried different foods. We explored the Year of the Dragon, and how it is important to people across the world. It was amazing to see Nursery children using tweezers as chopsticks! They have enjoyed learning about a different culture and having new experiences.

**After half term, we will be welcoming furry friends to Mason Moor.** Mrs Ashbolt-Smith, our Inclusion Lead across the partnership of schools, will be bringing in her dogs. Animals help children to regulate their emotions and calm down. We are excited to welcome one of the dogs to our school each week!

**Dates for the diary:**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February** – First day back

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February** – English lessons for parents

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** – KS1 Disco



Have a wonderful half term,

**#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: 88.1%

### Class Cake Winners



Year 6

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

### Monday Morning Milkshake Winners



Year 5!

### Whole School Attendance figures:

	Last Week	This Week
Nursery	71%	79.5%
Year R	86%	93%
Year 1	87.3%	86%
Year 2	84.2%	85.3%
Year 3	88%	85.9%
Year 4	91%	87%
Year 5	90%	89.9%
Year 6	94.4%	90.8%
Whole School	89.2%	88.1%

### 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
Obrempong	Isra	Ishat

### Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
1 Blue	Johnny-Ray
2 Blue	Finley
3 Blue	Levi

### Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Amelia
5 Blue	Scarlett
6 Blue	Josh

# Handwriting AWARD WINNERS

### EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Evelyn
1 Blue	Noah
2 Blue	David
3 Blue	Finlay

### Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Fahd
5 Blue	Harrisson
6 Blue	Lana

# READER OF THE WEEK **AWARD WINNERS**

## EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Year	Winner
R Blue	Farahnaz
1 Blue	Mathias
2 Blue	Lily
3 Blue	Iolo

## Key Stage 2 Children

Year	Winner
4 Blue	Charlie
5 Blue	Anton
6 Blue	Freddie

## Spotlight on PE

### PE Word of the Week:

*teamwork*

### Definition:

The combined action of a group, especially when effective and efficient.

Example - Working as a team to win a match.

### PE thought of the week.

*"Every winner was a beginner."*

## PE AWARD WINNERS

KS1	Elizabeth – Year 1	KS2	Momore – Year 4
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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 R, 4, 5, 6

### Wednesday:

Years 1, 2, 3



## Learning at Mason Moor:

### Nursery

This week in the Nursery the children have been focusing on Lunar New Year!

We have been exploring Chinese food through sensory play to recognise colours, textures, and length. We have looked at Chinese lettering and our own mark making skills. We end Nursery's first term on a high with children becoming confident learners and independent thinkers through their play and daily experiences.

### The Ark

In the Ark this week we have all been working on sitting together for circle time and working/playing together or side by side for longer periods of time. It has been amazing to see our children learning to take turns, and work together on an activity. Many of us are now joining in our group songs, with the actions!

### Year R

This week reception has been exploring grouping in maths and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. In Writing we have been reading the "Dinosaur that Pooped a planet" and describing the main characters. In Topic this week we have been learning about Lunar New Year and on Thursday we chopped and grated some vegetables before cooking them with noodles. Our teachers were proud as we listened to them whilst we cooked and then we all tried the noodles!

### Year 1

This week we have been looking at poetry. We have worked really hard to identify rhyming words. We have also completed maths, reading and phonics tests, we are all so proud of the children in year 1 that tried their hardest. In history we have learnt about Celtic Warriors, we know they had to be brave and strong.

### Year 2

This week, Year 2 have been learning about Roman villas in history. We can identify the key features of Roman villas and explain how they are similar and different to houses today. It has been test week this week so we have been trying our best in our reading, maths and grammar tests. We are all looking forward to the half term!

### Year 3

This week Year 3 have worked incredibly hard on their tests and have made all their teachers very proud. We have focussed on science this week, and the class have been planning and carrying out experiments and digging up fossils!

### Year 4

This week it has been test week in Year 4. We have been working hard, trying our best and preserving when the questions got tricky. We have also been learning about Charles I in history and in science we have been exploring pitch, volume, and decibels. We used musical instruments with a sound meter to explore this concept.

### Year 5

In Year 5 this week we have been working really hard! We have completed our Spring tests and have also been learning a lot about life during World War Two. At the end of the week, we enjoyed reflecting on how far we have come since the start of Year 5, thinking about the things we have learned and what we have achieved!

## Year 6

This week has been a great end to the half term. We have written our diary entries for our book called 'A long walk from water' from the viewpoint of Salva Dut. Ask your child who Salva Dut was and what he did. We wrote from Chapter 2 in the book with the actions and feelings of Salva. Their writes on Thursday were great - they gave so much effort for the morning of writing. Followed by their treat for the last two weeks of completing mock SAT's and working hard through their other lessons. After half term, we will be offering booster groups, before and after school. Saturday school will begin from the 24th February 2024 - every Saturday until Easter half term. Have a lovely half term. Homework - IXL, TTRS, Read theory.

## Maple Class

This week in Maple class in English we have been continuing with our phonics, looking at different phonemes, digraphs and trigraphs. We have also been focusing on the rule for using 'a' or 'an' within our writing. In maths this week we have been working very hard on rounding numbers to the nearest 10/100/1000. This week, Maple class had their last swim session at Oaklands. All the children have done amazingly well this half term with building their confidence when swimming. Well done Maple Class! To celebrate children's mental health week, in the afternoon sessions Maple Class have completed an art project with a focus on Banksy.

## Picture Highlights



## Nursery

The children have been exploring Lunar New Year. They have been developing their fine motor skills using different tools.



## Ark learning

## Year 3 Science Experiment



## Nursery Spaces Available Now!



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

We offer 15-to-30-hour provision, in our brand-new room with our fantastic team. Your child can begin their Mason Moor journey and get the best start to their education.

Please see the office for more information and registration packs.



## 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:

*sorry*



## PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2024

[moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free](https://moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free)

### ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

### TESCO

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 12th - Fri 23rd February 2024

### SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

### BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

### THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

### GREENE KING PUBS

Kids Eat Free all-day with the purchase of an adult's meal. Deal, Monday-Friday, between Mon 12th - Friday 23rd February 2024

### TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

### SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

### TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase a full priced adult's main meal (App needed)

### IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

### MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

### GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

### PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

### YO! SUSHI

From Mon 12th - Fri 23rd February 2024 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

### BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

### WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

### DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!

### TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

### PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

### HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

### FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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## Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



### Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
<b>5 Minutes</b>	<b>3.5 Days from School</b>	<b>20 Lessons</b>
<b>10 Minutes</b>	<b>7 Days from School</b>	<b>41 Lessons</b>
<b>15 Minutes</b>	<b>10 Days from School</b>	<b>55 Lessons</b>
<b>20 Minutes</b>	<b>14.5 Days from School</b>	<b>82 Lessons</b>
<b>30 Minutes</b>	<b>22 Days from School</b>	<b>123 Lessons</b>

**Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance**

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

### Did You Know... ?

If Your Child's Attendance During the School Year...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
<b>was 95%</b>	<b>9 Days from School</b>	<b>50 Lessons</b>
<b>was 90%</b>	<b>19 Days from School</b>	<b>100 Lessons</b>
<b>was 85%</b>	<b>29 Days from School</b>	<b>150 Lessons</b>
<b>was 80%</b>	<b>38 Days from School</b>	<b>200 Lessons</b>
<b>was 75%</b>	<b>48 Days from School</b>	<b>250 Lessons</b>

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# **NHS** availability for kids & teens

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