



MASON MOOR

PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Headteacher News | Friday 10th May 2024

The sun has been shining on Mason Moor this week! It has been fantastic to see the children playing together and enjoying the sunshine. We are excited to see the opportunities for outdoor learning now the weather is improving!

Thank you to those who attended the SLT forum. It was great to discuss the developments in spelling and handwriting teachers and show parents of the Ark around the setting and how we have developed the curriculum.

It was great to see lots of parents and carers at our Phonics Workshops in Year R and 1. This was a great opportunity to see how we teach phonics, see what your children are learning and read with your child. Thank you to everyone who attended; we look forward to seeing you at the next workshop.

A reminder that that as the weather gets hotter, it is important to send your child in prepared. Water bottles need to come to school every day, and sun cream needs to be applied before they come to school. Please check the weather in the morning in case rain is forecast. Shoes should have toes covered and still be sensible school shoes. Uniform is still expected daily.



Next week is Year 6 SATS Week. We are already incredibly proud of our Year 6 children and how hard they have been working in preparation for their SATS. We will provide breakfast from 8am and snacks in the day for every child in Year 6 to ensure they are ready to show their learning through the tests. Throughout the week, we will provide extra well-being activities and support for the children – we will keep reminding them to “be the best version of themselves” and how proud we are of them!

Dates for your diary:

Year 6 SATS Week: Monday-Thursday

Have a great weekend!

#teammasonmoor

Ms 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%

Class Cake Winners



Year 1

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

Monday Morning Milkshake Winners



Year 1!

Whole School Attendance figures:

	Last Week	This Week
Nursery	82%	92%
Year R	89%	80%
Year 1	96.3%	96%
Year 2	85%	93%
Year 3	82%	87%
Year 4	93%	95%
Year 5	86%	87%
Year 6	94%	89%
Whole School	90%	91%

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.
3. Have a routine in the mornings and evenings to support getting your children to school on time and every day.

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
Matipa	Robyn	Ohemaa

Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
1 Blue	Mahek
2 Blue	Toby
3 Blue	Faith

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Amy
5 Blue	Lily
6 Blue	Miracle
6 Green	Yanik
Maple Class	Ivana

Handwriting AWARD WINNERS

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Willow
1 Blue	Layla
2 Blue	Robby
3 Blue	Nathan

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Momore
5 Blue	Grace
6 Blue	Mia
6 Green	AJ
Maple Class	Dilan

READER OF THE WEEK **AWARD WINNERS**

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Year	Winner
R Blue	Farahnaz
1 Blue	Georgia
2 Blue	Reggie
3 Blue	Aryan

Key Stage 2 Children

Year	Winner
4 Blue	Owen
5 Blue	Carter
6 Blue	Izabela
6 Green	Ingrid

Spotlight on PE

PE Word of the Week:

athlete

Definition:

A person who is proficient in sports and other physical exercise,

PE thought of the week.

"Try and fail, but don't fail to try."

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, 1, 2, 3

Tuesday:

Years 4, 5, 6



Learning at Mason Moor:

Nursery

In nursery this week we have been continuing to learn about the different types of fish in our story 'Hooray for fish'. The children enjoyed a game of bingo whilst describing each pattern they could see. On our visit this week to the care home the children decorated biscuits with the residents which was enjoyed by all.

The Ark

This week in the Ark we have been enjoying some new interactive books linked to our Under the Sea topic and some of us have started learning phonics in a small group. We are looking at words that begin with the "s" sound – one of our friends was excited to see their name begins with "s"!

Year R

This week, Reception has been learning around the text 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley'. We have made kites and learnt about recycling as well as going around the school site litter picking so that unlike in our story when the creatures eat Stanley (the plastic bag) none of the wildlife here at Mason Moor will eat the litter. We have also been deepening our understanding of number and practicing our handwriting.

Year 1

This week in year 1 we have been working hard on our presentation. We have been focusing on writing one number per square in maths. We have been learning to add one-digit to two-digit numbers using our number bonds within 10. We have continued our reading of the book Handa's Surprise focusing on inference.

Year 2

This week the year 2 children have been immersed in their new reading book 'George's Marvellous Medicine'. On Wednesday the children helped create a brand-new medicine made from lots of different ingredients. The children really enjoyed this activity which will inspire them write a set of instructions next week.

Year 3

This week Year 3 have been learning about staying safe online, and how coding is used in computers that we use in every area of our lives. We have started looking at Henry VIII, the Reformation, and the first of his wives! We are also being play writes and starting to write our own scripts to perform to the class.

Year 4

Year 4 have had a busy week after the long weekend. In science we have been learning about the changes from milk teeth to adult teeth, learning how many teeth adults eventually have! We have been learning about how to plot coordinates on a grid reference and finding shapes using coordinates. It's been a busy week learning about the events of The Great Fire of London in history in more detail.

Year 5

In year 5 this week we have been practicing recording data on line graphs and in bar charts! We have been learning about the life expectancy of different species and recording that data in different ways! We have also started our new writing S-plan, where we are going to be describing a setting from our current picture book! We have really enjoyed exploring the different pictures in the book Next week we are looking forward to learning more about the French Revolution and how it changed the lives of the people living in France at the time.

Year 6

This week in our Geography learning, we learnt about Ernest Shackleton and the children enjoyed recording interesting facts about him and his life. In Art, the children have been photographers creating optical illusions in small groups - we have some keen potential photographers in the group!

We are really proud of the year group for showing true dedication over the many months preparing for SATs next week - they have done all they can now, and we know that the hard work will pay off! As a reminder, Saturday school is running tomorrow for the final time as a "fun morning" from 9am until 11.30am - all are welcome. Breakfast commences at 8am during SATs week (Monday to Thursday) where children can come into classes when they arrive - gates will be open. Have a wonderful weekend in the sun!

Maple
Class

This week in maple we have been learning about the 'oo' sound and the 'oi' sound. In SPaG pupils have engaged in activities relating to adverbs. Pupils have developed an understanding of what an adverb is and what its purpose is within their writing. They then had to identify adverbs within a piece of text. In our Big Write session pupils will be trying different foods and using thesaurus to identify powerful adjectives to describe the food. They will then use this to support their descriptive writing. In Maths this week pupils have been focusing on developing their accuracy when using different equipment to measure the height and length of different objects.

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.

Sign of the week:

eat



drink



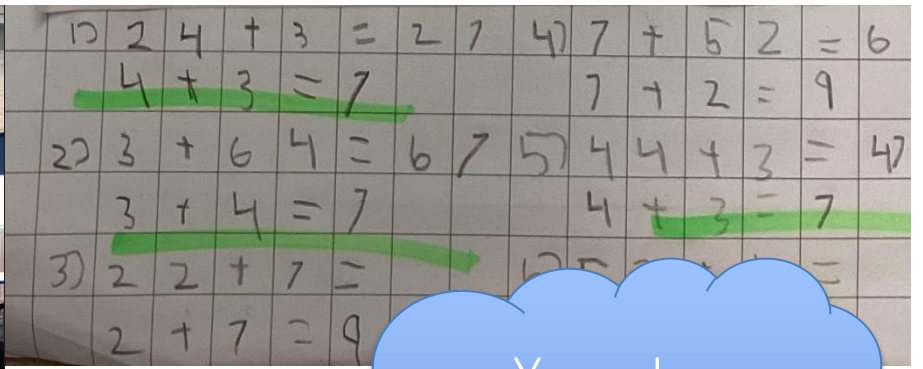
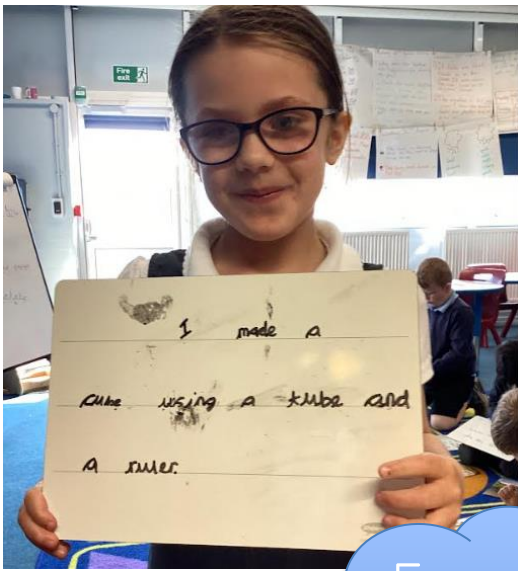
MASON MOOR - OUR WEEK'S LEARNING IN PICTURES



Reading and
Phonics in
the Ark



Kite making
in Year R



Year 1 Learning

Fun in the sun



Year 6 Saturday School!

Saturday 11th May is the last Saturday school to support them with their upcoming SATS.

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

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



Start of the school day

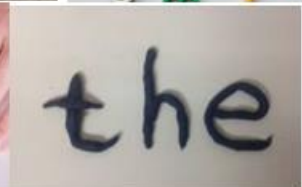


A reminder that the start of the school day is 8:40am and classroom doors open then. The gates will be unlocked at 8:30am; children can enter at this time however parents they must remain on the playground with their children until adults are present and on duty from 8:40am.

Children should not be left to wait in the office. They must have a parent/carer with them until 8:40.

Supporting your child at home with spellings

- * Use chalks and write the spellings on paper, on pavement, outside walls etc...
- * Use paint in a tray and write the words in the paint with their finger or with a paintbrush.
- * Use glitter in a tray and write the words with their finger.
- * Use a magic paintbrush technique. Use a wet paintbrush dipped in water to write words on a chalkboard or outside on the pavement.
- * Use magnetic letters to spell the words.
- * Use playdough to roll out the letters to spell the words.
- * Use crayons, felt tips and different types of paper such as: post-it notes, large paper to write the words.
- * Use shaving foam, flour in a tray or on a plate and write the words with a finger.
- * Use hand-over-hand technique. Adult to put their hand on top of the child's hand and write the word with your child.





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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>