



# MASON MOOR

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## Headteacher News | Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2024

The sun has been shining on Mason Moor for our first week back to school!

Mason Moor Primary School is proud to announce that we have been awarded the 'Gold' School Games Mark for 2023/24! This award is recognition of our commitment towards building, promoting, and maintaining active lifestyles and healthy living in our school and our community. This is the second time we have achieved a gold award for PE, and this feels very special. It shows that we have worked hard to develop the excellent work that is being done, as we continue to put our school on the map when it comes to Physical Education and Sport. A huge thank you to Mr Bauck for his commitment to providing the school with fantastic PE opportunities.



It has been amazing seeing all year groups enjoying their new topics. Most year groups have used our VR headsets to immerse themselves in their new topics and support their understanding of our world. Many of our Year R children want to be pilots after an exciting trip to the clouds! We look forward to seeing the learning come to life at our final Mason Moor Museum at the end of the half term!

Nursery enjoyed their first Communicare visit of Summer 2! Our children have developed a wonderful bond with the residents at Mayflower Court. They have been showing off their skills and learning, playing games with people of a different generation and sharing stories. This experience has developed their confidence and communication skills, and we look forward to seeing the continued impact it has this half term.

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended the class assemblies this week. Our children love the opportunity to welcome parents and carers into the school to present their learning, as well as show what we will be doing this half term. Look out for more opportunities to visit this half term!

### Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June – Year R Open Class Event (2:45-3:25)

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June – Year 4 Trip to Kew Gardens

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Year 3 Trip to Hampton Court

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: 92%

### Class Cake Winners

### Whole School Attendance figures:



Year R

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

### Monday Morning Milkshake Winners



Year 4!

	Last Week	This Week
Nursery	75%	84%
Year R	92%	88%
Year 1	91%	96.2%
Year 2	85%	93%
Year 3	89%	91%
Year 4	94%	96.6%
Year 5	89%	89%
Year 6	88%	85%
Whole School	89%	92%

### 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
Nana	Muntasir	Bear-Blue

### Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
1 Blue	Johnny-Ray
2 Blue	Shellby
3 Blue	Matthew K

### Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Isaac
5 Blue	Aiden
Year 6	Livinia
Maple Class	Dilan

# Handwriting AWARD WINNERS

### EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	David
1 Blue	Marnie
2 Blue	Micah
3 Blue	Finlay

### Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Alek
5 Blue	Miya
Year 6	Lillie
Maple Class	Maddie

# READER OF THE WEEK **AWARD WINNERS**

## EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Year	Winner
R Blue	Evelyn
1 Blue	Phoenix
2 Blue	Ana
3 Blue	Maya

## Key Stage 2 Children

Year	Winner
4 Blue	Jerry
5 Blue	Callum
Year 6	Sahin

## Spotlight on PE

PE Word of the Week:

*resilience*

**Definition:**

The capacity to withstand or to recover quickly from difficulties.

PE thought of the week.

*'The body achieves what the mind believes.'*

## PE AWARD WINNERS

<b>KS1</b>	Ohemaa - Year R	<b>KS2</b>	Logan – Year 5
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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, R

**Tuesday:**

Years 4, 5, 6



## Learning at Mason Moor:

### Nursery

This term the children will be focusing on Transport with the key focus question being 'How does it move?' The children this week have explored pull back cars, rolling trains and different water transports to create marks. This term we will be focussing on school readiness. If you would like to know what your child will be working towards this term, please speak to Ms Howes.

### The Ark

It has been lovely welcoming our children back from the half term break. Our new topic is Transport and we have got some exciting new toys, books and activities planned.

### Year R

Reception has settled into the final half term of school well. They have been very respectful towards each other and have demonstrated some excellent sharing skills this week and I am really proud of them. In Writing and Topic (History) we have been learning about Amelia Earhart. We have been writing facts files and creating timelines of her life. On Tuesday we used VR to go on an aeroplane journey, we had tickets and made passports. We are going to use the passports for our Topic this term and every time we learn about a new mode of transport, we will add a stamp to our passports. In Maths we have learnt about odd and even numbers using numicon and numberblocks. We have been picking up this concept very quickly.

### Year 1

This week year 1 have started learning about time. We have learnt about o'clock and half past. In science we have started by looking at different materials and natural resources. Our geography unit is on symbols and places in our Capital City, we have looked at the River Thames and what people might use it for.

### Year 2

In Year 2, we have begun our new topics this week and are very excited to be learning about the solar system. We have used the VR to see how the planets orbit around the sun. We are also looking forward to finding out more about the countries in the UK.

### Year 3

This week Year 3 have been exploring their new class text, The Tree, and the River. We have created our own artwork based on the text and describing the scenery in detail. We have started learning about Elizabeth I and the Elizabethans in preparation for our trip to Hampton Court Palace. We thought we would share some of our amazing Julian Opie portraits.

### Year 4

Year 4 have had a busy week back after half term. We have started learning about Northern Ireland in geography and looking forward to exploring this country in more detail. In maths we been busy practising our 1 - 12 times tables. In our writing this term we are reading the book 'One Plastic Bag' and are learning about plastic bag pollution and the effects it has on our environment - we are all really enjoying this so far and looking forward to finding out how we can help solve this problem.

### Year 5

In Year 5 this week we have been up to a lot! We have started our new writing journey, where we took part in a scavenger hunt to learn different facts about the Apollo 11 mission. In maths this week we have been embracing outdoor learning to help us understand reflection and translation! We are looking forward to carrying on with our learning in maths next week, whilst we also start our new history and geography learning journeys.

Year 6

Year 6 have come back from half term with a great attitude to their learning. They've understood our expectations of presentation and outcomes within their work. They are taking pride and have perseverance when they find something challenging. In Maths this week, we have been revisiting multiplication and division. Some children have been practising using long multiplication and division and others have been using reasoning and thinking about how they explain how to solve a calculation. This has got their minds thinking! In writing, we began a new learning journey based off the book called 'The Island'. It has many themes in which we have discussed in depth about how to treat people fairly and why the islander didn't. They began by writing a character description about one of the characters in the narrative.

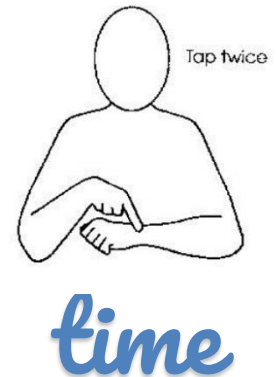
Maple Class

This week in Maple class the pupils have been working very hard on how to use commas in their writing as part of their SPaG lessons. In their Big Write session pupils have been introduced to their new topic of Writing to Inform. In this series of lessons pupils will learn all about how to write a formal and informal letter. Pupils are going to write a letter to their new teacher telling them about all the fantastic things they can do. In maths pupils have been focusing on dividing two-digit numbers by a one-digit numbers and in topic pupils have been working on coordinates.

### 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.



## Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



**MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.**

### 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...
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

**Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance**

### Did You Know... ?

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

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Picture Highlights



The Ark



Year 3 Art



Nursery at  
Communicare





## 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.



# Summer 1 Topics at Mason Moor



Early Years:  
Nursery, Year R  
and The Ark

How does it move?

Transport



Year 1

History – Significant People  
Geography – Symbols and their Capital City  
Science – Looking after the Planet



Year 2

History – The Normans  
Geography – Regions of the UK  
Science - Astronomy



Year 3

History – Elizabethan England  
Geography – Rivers and Basins  
Science – Plants and Pollination



Year 4

History – The Glorious Revolution  
Geography – Northern Ireland  
Science – Habitats and Living Things



Year 5

History – The Slave Trade  
Geography – Islands of the World  
Science – Revision



Year 6

History – World War II  
Geography – Cities of the UK  
Science – Revision



**School Games Mark  
@ Mason Moor and .....  
IT'S GOLD!  
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We are delighted to announce that we, Mason Moor Primary School, have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2023/24 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

With a total of 60 young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to our staff, children and parents for their commitment and dedication to PE and School Sport this year.

We look forward to applying once again in 2025!

Mr Bauck  
PE Lead

