



# MASON MOOR

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

# WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## Headteacher News | Friday 11th<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**Well done to all the children!** It has been lovely to see so many parents at our maths events. The children have loved sharing their learning with you. We look forward to seeing more parents at our next learning event! Further information to follow.

It has been lovely to see some of the fantastic art learning taking place this week. Across the school, the children have been demonstrating their clay skills using techniques such as pinching, pulling and smoothing to create clay busts.

### Osmington Bay

Year 6 visited Osmington Bay this week. The children have made us extremely proud with their bravery for trying different activities such as archery, the high zipwire and Jacob's Ladder. They have also enjoyed the climbing wall and beachcombing. What a great adventure!

### School uniform

Please can all items of clothing be named so we can easily reunite any lost property with its owner. In classrooms, we have many items of clothing unnamed and waiting to be returned.

### Dates for your diary:

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October:** Year R Phonics event (9 - 10am)

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October:** Early English class for parents (9-10am)

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October:** KS2 (Years 4, 5 and 6) Disco (4 - 5pm) £2

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October** KS1 (Years 1, 2 and 3) Disco (4-5pm) £2

Have a great weekend!

**#teammasonmoor**



**Ms Cox** | Associate Assistant Head Teacher

## 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.



# MASON MOOR ATTENDANCE: 94%

### Class Cake Winners

### Whole School Attendance figures:



Year 2

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

### Monday Morning Milkshake Winners



Year 1

	This Week	Difference
Nursery	88%	+9%
Year R	88%	-4%
The Ark	90%	+10%
Year 1	96%	+3%
Year 2	97%	+2%
Year 3	94%	+3%
Year 4	88%	0%
Year 5	96%	+3%
Year 6	90%	+2%
Whole School	94%	0%

### Attendance Update



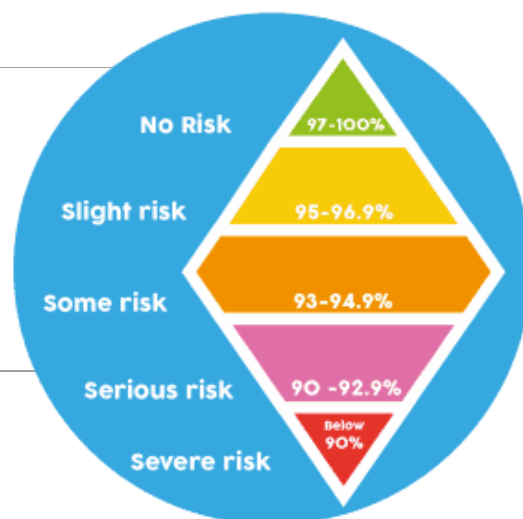
Our **97%** attendance target is still achievable this year if we work together on ensuring children are in school every day and not missing out on learning.

Our overall attendance to date is **91%** this is an improvement on last year where it was **90%**

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

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.

Speak to us if you are having difficulties.



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



**GOLDEN BOOK AWARD WINNERS**

EYFS Children

Nursery	The Ark	R Blue
Ayaat	Siem	Amelia

Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
1 Blue	Harvey
2 Blue	Zaviyar
3 Blue	Karen

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Amelia
5 Blue	Mikey
6 Blue	Alex
Pathways	Addy

*Handwriting* **AWARD WINNERS**

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Jobi
1 Blue	Tymon
2 Blue	Charley
3 Blue	Rosie

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Milleah
5 Blue	Poyraz
6 Blue	Maci
Pathways	Harrisson

READER OF THE WEEK **AWARD WINNERS**

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Year	Winner
R Blue	Tyrion
1 Blue	Ishat
2 Blue	Charlie
3 Blue	Monica

Key Stage 2 Children

Year	Winner
4 Blue	Finlay
5 Blue	Numan
6 Blue	Angel
Pathways	Oscar

## Learning at Mason Moor:

### Nursery

In nursery this week we have been looking at the roles Doctors have and how they help us, this is linked to our story of 'Zeki gets a checkup'. The children have each shared their own experiences of going to the doctors and how they felt. Some of the children have been exploring emotions a little deeper through drawing their own expressions/ feelings.

### The Ark

We have enjoyed continuing our story, "Clothes Line Clues to Jobs People Do." We have used our 'anticipation' skills to predict what the job will be based on the clothes in the book. In maths, we have been exploring patterns, using colour to make a repeating pattern. We have been loving all the mark making activities, showing our creativity and fine motor skills!

### Year R

In Early Years, we have been looking at superheroes and how everyone can be superheroes. We have also been learning our initial sounds in phonics. In maths we have been learning to add and takeaway using concrete resources. The children have worked well to manipulate

### Year 1

Year 1 has had some memorable roleplay learning this week, as baristas for our maths event on capacity, and as navigators learning about compasses in Geography. I have been really impressed with how they are beginning to work together.

### Year 2

This week, we have been learning about 'past tense' and 'time conjunctions' in our writing lessons. We learnt about Paddington Bear's day out in West Quay, Southampton and then wrote a recount of his day using our new writing skills. In maths, we challenged ourselves to follow different investigations such as using our number knowledge to follow a line of enquiry.

### Year 3

This week in maths, we have been investigating 2-D and 3-D shapes. We have been looking at the properties of different shapes and the terms that mathematicians use to describe these properties. In history, we compared London to Olympia in Ancient Greece, and in particular we looked at how the Olympics had changed from ancient Greece to the modern day.

### Year 4

What on earth is an electricity pylon? Year 4 know all about them. We'll be pointing them out to you on the way home, in the car, on the way to the shops. AND we're going to build our very own model next week! In our writing, we're still trying to get ourselves a longer break time, so keep your fingers crossed for us.

### Year 5

This week in year 5 we have been looking at multiplication in maths and non-fiction texts relating to our topics of Autumn 1. The children have been enjoying our topic of space and we have been investigating whether the earth is round or not. They then had to gather their information and prove whether or not the earth is a spherical object. I look forward to continuing this with you next week.

### Year 6

In maths, Year 6 have been busy learning their numbers up to one million using place value grids to support larger numbers. In history we have been investigating the Industrial Revolution and how it affected the British economy, additionally looking at the social change within this time period. In art, the children have been exploring the use of tone and perspective and have looked at the work of the artist Lowry.

### Pathways

### Nurture

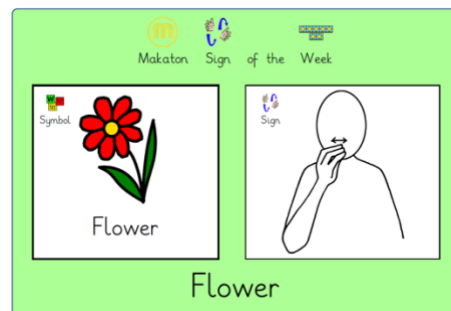
This week in pathways we have been learning how to take turns during 'bucket time' and creating foam sentences in writing, whilst identifying adjectives. We have been using 'guess the headband' to improve our listening and reading skills too.  
In Nurture, we have been learning about the Aztecs and Mayans and how the Spanish conquered Mesoamerica for their gold and chocolate. We face painted each other as Aztecs and have also made coil cups which we will paint gold just like Montezuma.

## 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:

*Flower*



## Spotlight on PE

PE Word of the Week:

*Encourage*

**Definition:**

Give support, confidence or hope to (someone)

**PE thought of the week.**

"It's not about winning and losing, it's about HOW you play the game"

## PE AWARD WINNERS

KS1

Frankie (Year 1)

KS2

Nana (Year 4)

## Learning this week

This week the children in KS1 and KS2 were learning how to play as part of a team. We focused on effective communication and encouraging our teammates.



# Our week in pictures



The Ark – mark making and literacy



Year 1 – enjoying role play in different jobs.



Osmington Bay 2024



**MASON MOOR**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



*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>**

**Meet your schools Education  
Mental Health Practitioner**

# Gemma Unger



## MHST Info

**I work in a team called the Mental Health Schools Team (MHST).**

**As an Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP), my role is to support children and young people, parent/carers and schools to maximise their wellbeing.**

**Prior to this role, I have worked in many settings supporting children and young people**

## How we can help you

**We are an NHS service who work in schools and colleges across Southampton**

**Together we will talk about your child's wellbeing to see what kind of support will best help**

**Based on this conversation, we may be able to offer you Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT). CBT focuses on your thoughts and behaviours, and how these impact on emotional wellbeing**

**We can run group sessions or workshops on key topics related to wellbeing**

**We also provide advice on what other support is available for people across Southampton.**

**If you feel you would benefit from our support, please speak to your school**

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