



MASON MOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Headteacher News | Friday 29th November

Mason Moor Museum! A reminder to all parents and carers that the Mason Moor Museum is on Friday 20th December at 1.30pm. The children will be dismissed from classes at this time and then everyone is welcome to attend the event. We cannot wait to see all the pieces that children will create over the coming weeks. If you need any resources please let your class teacher know and they can support.



Arty Party! Have been within school this week creating another amazing piece of art that will be displayed in the school. The theme has been nature and British wildlife, we cannot wait for the piece to be displayed in our new Parent hub.

Nelson's Column has been re-created within school. Children have been spending time with Ms Sheales (Art teacher) making and recreating Nelson's Column. This will then be displayed in the hall.



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Mrs Bauck | Head of School

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: 89%

Class Cake Winners

Whole School Attendance figures:



Year 5

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

	This Week	Difference
Nursery	88%	+9%
Year R	89%	+1%
The Ark	89%	-5%
Year 1	86%	-5%
Year 2	89%	+1%
Year 3	85%	-8%
Year 4	91%	+1%
Year 5	92%	-4%
Year 6	89%	-3%
Whole School	89%	-4%

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	Brandon	Amelia

Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
1 Blue	Fawaz
2 Blue	Zayd
3 Blue	Riyan
Pathways	Olivia

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Luke
5 Blue	Edith
6 Blue	Callum

Handwriting AWARD WINNERS

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Melissa
1 Blue	Harvey
2 Blue	Madison
3 Blue	Taylin

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Faith
5 Blue	Panashe
6 Blue	Charles
Pathways	Evie

READER OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Year	Winner
R Blue	Tommy
1 Blue	Cianna
2 Blue	Nathan
3 Blue	Kayla

Key Stage 2 Children

Year	Winner
4 Blue	Matthew P
5 Blue	Momore
6 Blue	Jaiden
Pathways	Freddie

Learning at Mason Moor:

Nursery

This week the children in Nursery have been developing their independence and self help skills through dressing in winter clothes . Outside we have been observing the changes in weather and what that looks and feels like.

The Ark

This week we have explored our new book, Pip and Posy: The Snowy Day. We have made our own snowy tree and looked at the scenes in the story, learning how the characters made each other feel. In maths, we have been investigating missing numbers. We have developed our skills to be able to fill in missing numbers using objects!

Year R

This week in literacy we have been describing the characters in the book Fox's favourite autumn, we have used a range of adjectives like spotty, pointy and sharp. In maths we have been learning to count to 20 and have been working hard to recognise these numbers and write them. Our topic work has seen us look at wedding celebrations and what happens at a wedding and what we might see at a wedding. Finally, we have been practising our sounds and letter formations in phonics.

Year 1

Year 1 has been introduced to a picture book named 'Island' by Mark Janssen this week. The book's vibrant and colorful landscapes without any words have really intrigued the children and it has been great seeing the class come together to present a page each to try and tease out the story being told.

This has had great links to their Geography where they are learning about archipelagos (small groups of islands) - the Galapagos in particular which has wonderful wildlife that have evolved to challenge the typical assumptions children make about certain animals (Penguins that like warm weather, shallow water sea lions etc.).

Year 2

In Year 2, we have been writing a non-chronological report on ladybirds. We have learnt lots of fascinating facts about the brightly-coloured bug.. Did you know there are over 5000 species of ladybirds worldwide? Please ask your child to tell you other facts about them. In maths, we have been learning about 2-D shapes, such as pentagons, hexagons, heptagons and octagons. We have also been looking at shapes and lines of symmetry. In history we have been learning about the Egyptians and how bodies were mummified. Please ask your child about their learning this week.

Year 3

Year 3 recently read the book 'One Plastic Bag' and following this, they have been writing a balanced discussion piece about plastics. It has been interesting to see the different viewpoints that year 3s have chosen to highlight. As part of the learning this week, year 3 also had the chance to view the Great Wall of China on the VR headsets, which was a great experience!

Year 4

This week year 4 have been celebrating their love of reading! We've taken a trip to the library to choose our reading books and read each other's recommendations in class. Miss Jablonska's personal favourite was The Return of the Killer Cat. Sadly it's not helped convince her to get a class pet... In Geography we've put together some very impressive presentations about different types of biomes. Ask for your own personal Ted talk at home if you're interested!

Year 5

This week in year 5, in science, we have been learning about gravity and how mass and weight are different. We have been busy conducting experiments to see how various objects drop according to size, shape and weight. The children learned about how air resistance acts on different objects to increase or decrease the speed of the drop. In maths, we have been learning about perimeter and area and how to calculate both effectively. We discussed where we use perimeter and area in our daily lives, such as working out the area of a football pitch or the perimeter of a tennis court.

Year 6

Year 6 has had a very busy week. We have really enjoyed learning about William Shakespeare's Macbeth. This week we have role played the characters of Macbeth, Lady Macbeth and King Duncan - our performances have been outstanding! Year 6 are very excited to continue to learn about Macbeth and to write a newspaper article about the death of King Duncan. Year 6 are working very hard on their dividing skills. We have also been excited to learn more about life in Victorian Britain.

Pathways

This week in Pathways we have been focusing our new reading book "Here We Are". We have been exploring the concept of authorial intent and how to summarise, comprehend and create predictions from the text and illustration. We also had our first fire lesson in the outdoor classroom and roasted marshmallows.

Nature

In nurture we have started a new topic based on Mindful Minibeasts. We have learnt about Polly the Perfectionist Spider and built our own sticky web with tape (ours was very wobbly....) we then explored patience with Sammy the Speedy Snail.

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:
Christmas Tree



PE Word of the Week:

Balance

Definition:

*The ability to maintain equilibrium when stationary
or moving*



PE thought of the week:

*To succeed we must believe
that we can!*



PE AWARD WINNERS

KS1

Lenny (Year 1)

KS2

Kiven (Year 4)

Learning this week

This week children in KS2 continued their Tag Rugby unit of work. We explored how to pass a rugby ball in some small-sided games. The children learnt that the ball needs to be passed backwards and we support the ball carrier.

In KS1 the children have continued with gymnastics. This week we explored 'travel' and 'rotation'. The children are working on the 5 skills within gymnastics with the aim of creating a routine before Christmas.

(The 5 skills are: flight, shape, rotation, balance, travel)



Our week in pictures



**Oh Christmas Tree Oh Christmas Tree.....
We cannot wait for children to decorate the Christmas Tree over the
next week.**



Children across the school have been taking part in Art projects for the school. Over the past month children have been taking part in a project to re-create Nelson's Column for the hall.





This week children within Pathways had a chance to build a fire and roast marshmallows.





A message from Ms Birkett – we only have a few places left in Breakfast Club. If you are interested, please let a member of the office team know!

Upcoming Events

- Thursday 5th December- Amazing Andrew visits for our Attendance reward
- Friday 6th December- Crazy hair day £1 Donation
- Tuesday 10th December- KS1 Disco Night 3:20- 4:30pm FREE
- Wednesday 11th December- Senior Leadership Team forum 9am
- Thursday 12th December- KS2 Disco Night 3:20-4:30pm FREE
- Friday 13th December- Year 6 National History Trip & Nursery Christmas Crafts 9am
- Wednesday 18th December- Nursery Nativity 9am
- Thursday 19th December- Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day

- Friday 20th December- **LAST DAY of term. ALL children finish at 13:30 pm** and then the Mason Moor Museum opens.
- Tuesday 7th January- School opens 8:40am for the new term

Mason Moor Welcomes...



AMAZING ANDREW

...For Our 96% and Above Attendance Award!

The Amazing Andrew is an entertainer of the first degree performing hilarious slick magical children's entertainment and also Close-Up Magic across Hampshire, Surrey, West Sussex and the surrounding areas. Andrew is an exciting, professional and original performer who is the perfect choice for entertaining children of all ages and their families.



Check him out



Mason Moor **CRAZY HAIR DAY!**
Friday 6th December

Do Your Hair However You Dare!

We ask for a £1 Donation for your marvellous creation!



Christmas Hamper Raffle!

£1 Per Raffle ticket Strip

*You Have To Be In It
To Win It!*



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the schools Office

MASON MOOR

PRIMARY SCHOOL



You're invited:

Mason Moor Museum

Friday 20th December at 1.30pm

We need YOU to create an entry!



We would like your child to create an entry for the Mason Moor Museum. It should represent the learning from the current term.



Entries could represent study in Art, History, Geography, English, Maths, Science – anything at all! Resources available from school.

1st, 2nd and 3rd Prize winners



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tablet



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