



# MASON MOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



### Headteacher News | Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

**Merry Christmas!** This hasn't been the end of term that we wanted or wished for. We have missed the children over the course of the week, we hope they have all been ok this week. We look forward to seeing them all on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS from all the staff at Mason Moor! We loved seeing the children today when collecting their Christmas presents! If children didn't manage to get in to collect their Christmas present then don't worry we will keep them until the New Year.

**Swimming.** Due to the closure to the pool this half term, the swimming pool will still be in use after Christmas for Years 5 and 6. It is a reminder that swimming lessons are part of the National Curriculum and the expectation that all children take part in this education.



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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: 92%

### Highest Attendance of the year Winners!



Year 5

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

### The Year So Far Whole School Attendance figures:

	This Week
Nursery	85%
Year R	90%
The Ark	87%
Year 1	89%
Year 2	93%
Year 3	92%
Year 4	93%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	92%
Whole School	92%

### Attendance Update



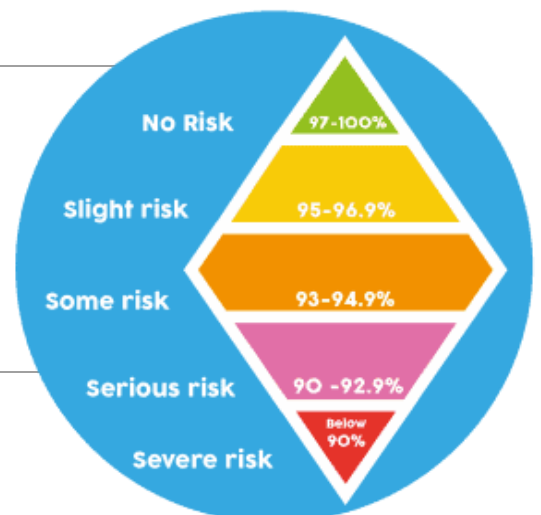
Our **97%** attendance target is still achievable this year if we work together on ensuring children are in school every day and not missing out on learning.

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
Harley	Azaria	My whole class for being the best in the school.

### Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
1 Blue	The children in Year 1 who look to pass on their learning to their peers and humbly accept it from them.
2 Blue	All the children in Year 2 that always strive to do their best.
3 Blue	The children in Year 3 who have consistently persevered in their learning.
Pathways	The pupils in pathways who have consistently shown resilience.

### Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	To all those in year 4 who show up as the best versions of themselves, every, day.
5 Blue	For the children that always try their best and are consistent role models.
6 Blue	Year 6 - For showing greatest resilience and hard work this term.

# Handwriting AWARD WINNERS

### EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Everyone for working so hard with their letter formations
1 Blue	Tymon
2 Blue	Phoenix
3 Blue	Iris

### Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Anumi
5 Blue	Miles
6 Blue	Lily
Pathways	Isaac

# READER OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNER JP S

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children		Key Stage 2 Children	
Year	Winner	Year	Winner
R Blue	Everyone for working so hard learning their phonic sounds throughout the term	4 Blue	To all those who brought in their lovely reading recommendations during the past few weeks.
1 Blue	All the children in Year 1 that show an innate curiosity to learn and understand words unfamiliar to them.	5 Blue	All the children that read at home, I can see all the hard work that you have been putting in.
2 Blue	All the children that have earned their reading badges so far in Year 2.	6 Blue	Jack
3 Blue	Taylin	Pathways	Leo

## Learning at Mason Moor:

### Nursery

This term has been one to remember! We had our first Autumn trip to Central hall to listen to the Teddy Bear concert. The children enjoyed taking part in conducting and leading an orchestra. We had a visit from Santa last week where the children had their pictures taken and was given a certificate. We're sad the term has ended so abruptly but we wish you all a merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the new year.

### The Ark

This half term we have explored "I wonder what's special." We have loved learning about different times of the year that are special to us and what makes each of us special and unique. The children have made incredible progress in all areas of learning and we have been so proud of all their achievements. Next half term we are exploring "I wonder what I can imagine," focusing on space and superheroes. We hope our little superheroes and their families have a wonderful festive break and we look forward to seeing you all in January.

### Year R

A massive thank you and well done to all the children on Year R. I am incredibly proud of how hard you have worked this term in each lesson. We hope you have a lovely Christmas and will miss you all. We are very much looking forward you seeing you all back again next year when we can continue our learning journey on becoming the best versions of ourselves. Merry Christmas from the EYFS team.

### Year 1

Mr Hassan wants to take this opportunity to mention how proud he is of how far Year 1 have come in Autumn term. You have shown a real passion for learning and it has been wonderful to see all your progress.

I hope you all have a lovely Christmas break with family and friends, I look forward to welcoming you back in the new year.

### Year 2

In Year 2, we have worked hard this year to become the best learners we can be; from improving our learning behaviours to being kind to others, we are fast on our way to becoming Mason Moor perfect! We will miss you all over the Christmas period but are very much looking forward to welcoming you all back in the New Year from Mrs Cox and Mrs Day. Have a wonderful Christmas!

### Year 3

This week Year 3 continued their scientific journey by investigating shadows and how they are formed. We also completed our writing journey for the term when we wrote our own versions of The Great Race story.

It may have been an unusual end to the calendar year, but Mr Sharman and Miss Tribbeck are working to make the return in January as smooth as possible. We wish you all a fantastic and peaceful festive period!

### Year 4

A big thank you to all those who helped as readers in Year R this week! Well done to you all. It has been an honour teaching in Year 4 these past two terms for Miss Jablonska and she can't wait to see you all soon. Have a lovely Christmas and an even lovelier New Year!

### Year 5

Autumn term has been a blast! Miss Bidgood and Mrs Rawlins are so proud of the effort and determination that each of you have put into your work this term. This is not the way we planned to say goodbye for Christmas but we cannot wait for all the fun we have planned for when you return in January. Have the most wonderful holiday and a happy new year!

### Year 6

Year 6 had an incredible time at The Natural History Museum last week. We built Lego Rovers and sent them to Mars, everyone worked incredibly well together in teams and successfully built and coded their rovers. Year 6 have very much enjoyed learning about Macbeth this term and enjoyed performing on the stage the play - everyone got involved, well done! Miss Adie is wishing everyone a very merry Christmas and a lovely time off.

### Pathways

This week in Pathways we have been revisiting our measuring skills. This week we have been exploring width of shapes and length of dinosaurs.

We have also been busy welcoming our new pupils to the class and making them feel welcome.

Lastly, we have been making Christmas cards for friends and family.

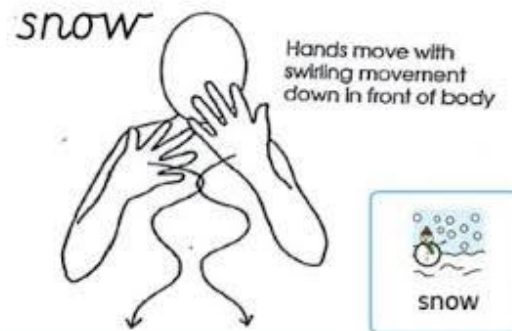
### Nuture

In Nuture we have been taking part in the great Christmas heist and finding all Santa's belongings that have been stolen by the naughty elf. We have been doing this by solving maths puzzles together. We have learned about hot Chocolate breathing to help us regulate. It's such a shame we didn't have time to save Santa's boots and hope he has a spare pair. Merry Christmas! Look forward to seeing you again in the new year.

## 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 Message from the Chair of Governors

Dear Parents, Carers, Teachers, and Staff,

I want to take a moment to apologise for not having the final week of term as we had hoped with our children. However, I would like to express my thanks to the staff and children for handling Tuesday's incident with such calmness and efficiency, ensuring everyone's safety.

I wanted also to take this opportunity to reflect on what makes Mason Moor Primary School so special and to thank everyone who contributes to its success and for all their hard work.

As Chair of Governors, I am incredibly proud of our school's commitment and dedication with high expectations for every child. Our shared goal is to help each child achieve their very best and to support them in becoming the best version of themselves.

This would not be possible without the dedication, enthusiasm, and hard work of our staff team, guided by a strong and inspiring leadership. They create a happy and safe environment where all children can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

I would also like to express my thanks to my other Governors, who generously give their time and expertise to support and challenge the school. Our shared focus is to ensure Mason Moor Primary continues to grow, improve, and celebrate its successes. Working alongside such a talented and caring team is truly a privilege.

On behalf of the Governing Body, I also want to thank our parents, volunteers, and friends for their ongoing support and commitment to our school community. Your contributions make a real difference to the lives of our children.

As we celebrate the festive season, may I take this opportunity to wish you, your families, and the entire Mason Moor staff a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Amanda Humby  
Chair of Governors

PE Word of the Week:

# Motivated

Definition:

*Cause someone to have interest in or enthusiasm for something.*



PE thought of the week:

*Every champion was once a contender that refused to give up.*



## PE AWARD WINNERS

KS1	EYFS Class	KS2	Alex (Year 6)
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### Learning this week

Due to events within school this week our usual amazing PE lesson did not happen.

I would like to take this opportunity to say Merry Christmas to all our families.

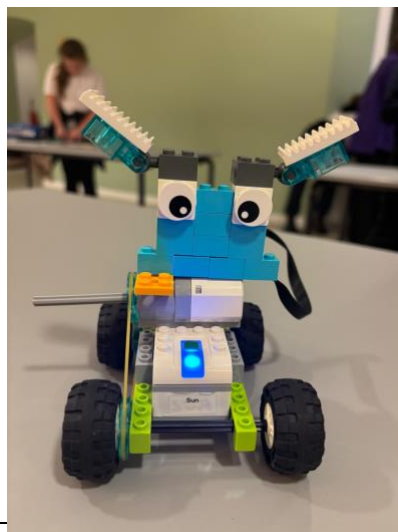
Enjoy your Christmas holidays, please try to stay active and aim to do 30 mins of activity everyday during the holiday. This could be a family walk, trip to the park, ride on your scooter or bike, and even a Christmas dance to some Christmas music.

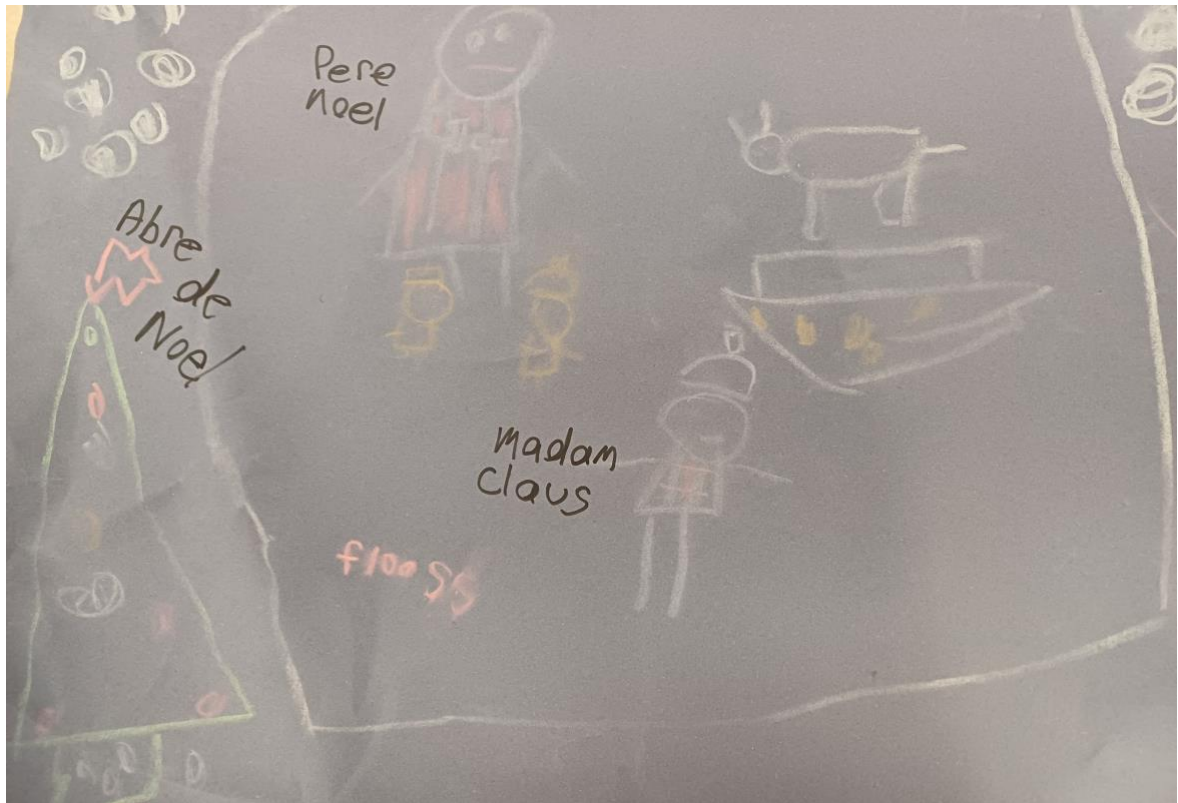
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to #teammasonmoor  
Mr Bauck



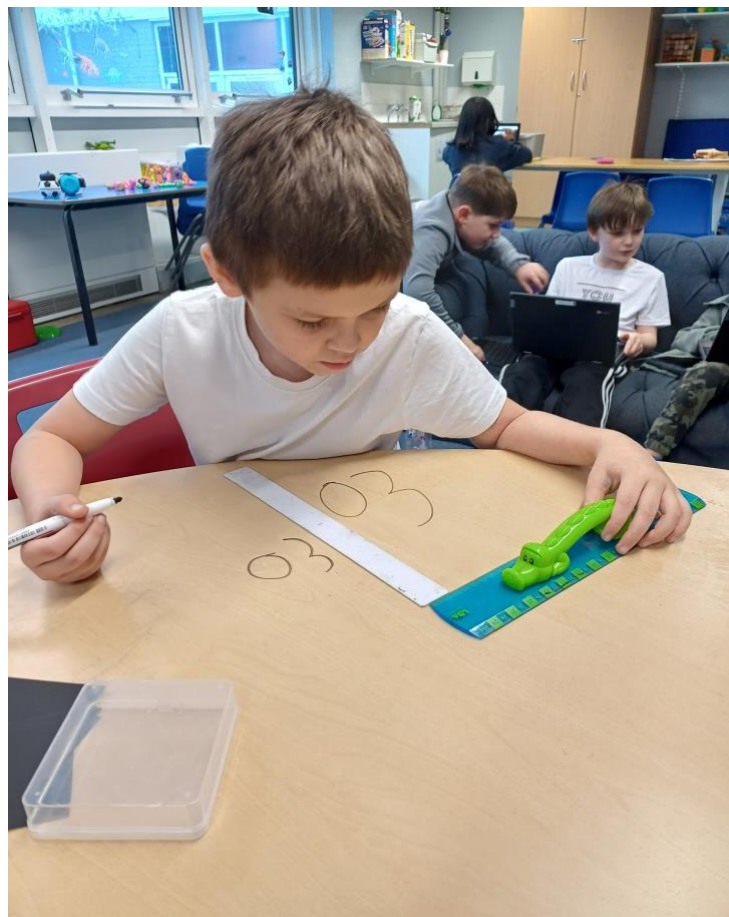
# Our week in pictures

Year 6 had a wonderful time at The Natural History Museum





**Learning French Christmas words in nurture**



**Solving maths puzzles on perimeter in nurture**



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!

### **Congratulations To Our Raffle Winners!**



**Noah & Robin!**



**Zayd & Ayaat!**



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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>**

# Spring Term Event Map 2024-2025



- Parent/Carer Forum
- Parent Curriculum Event
- Class Assembly Event
- School Event
- School Fundraiser
- INSET Day

## SPRING TERM 1

06 JAN – 14 FEB 2025

### WEEK 1 BEGINNING 6 JANUARY 2025

- **Mon 6 January** Inset Day 3 Closed
- **Tue 7 January** English class for parents 9-10am

### WEEK 2 BEGINNING 13 JANUARY 2025

- **Tue 14 January** SEND coffee morning 9-10am
- **Tue 14 January** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Thu 16 January** Year R Phonics event 9am

### WEEK 3 BEGINNING 20 JANUARY 2025

- **Tue 21 January** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Wed 22 January** Year 1 and 2 Read Event 9-10am
- **Wed 22 January** Year 3 and 4 Read Event 2-3pm
- **Thu 23 January** Year 5 and 6 Read Event 9-10am
- **Fri 24 January** Nursery and Year R Read Event 9-10am

### WEEK 4 BEGINNING 27 JANUARY 2025

- **Tue 28 January** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Tue 28 January** Phonics event for parents Years 1-6 9-10am
- **Wed 29 January** Parent Forum with SLT 9-10am

### WEEK 5 BEGINNING 3 FEBRUARY 2025

- **Tue 4 February** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Tue 4 February** Year 1 and 2 Maths Event 2-3pm
- **Wed 5 February** Year 3 and 4 Maths Event 9-10am
- **Thu 6 February** Year 5 and 6 Maths Event 9-10am

### WEEK 6 BEGINNING 10 FEBRUARY 2025

- **Tue 11 February** SEND coffee morning 9-10am
- **Tue 11 February** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Tue 11 February** KS2 Disco 3:30-4:30 £1
- **Thu 13 February** Ark, Nursery and Year R curriculum event 9am
- **Thu 13 February** KS1 Disco 3:30-4:30 £1

## SPRING TERM 2

24 FEB – 4 APR 2025

### WEEK 1 BEGINNING 24 FEBRUARY 2025

- **Tue 25 February** English class for parents 9-10am

### WEEK 2 BEGINNING 3 MARCH 2025

- **Tue 4 March** SEND Coffee Morning 9-10am
- **Tue 4 March** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Tue 4 March** Year 6 Class Assembly Event 2.30pm
- **Wed 5 March** Year 5 Class Assembly Event 9am
- **Thu 6 March** Year 4 Class Assembly Event 9am

### WEEK 3 BEGINNING 10 MARCH 2025

- **Tue 11 March** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Wed 12 March** Year 3 Class Assembly Event 9am
- **Thu 13 March** Year 1 Class Assembly Event 9am
- **Thu 13 March** Year 2 Class Assembly Event 2.30pm

### WEEK 4 BEGINNING 17 MARCH 2025

- **Date to be confirmed** Y1, Y2 and Y3 Parents Evening
- **Date to be confirmed** Y4, Y5 and Y6 Parents Evening
- **Date to be confirmed** YN and YR Parents Evening
- **Tue 18 March** English class for parents 9-10am

### WEEK 5 BEGINNING 24 MARCH 2025

- **Tue 25 March** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Wed 26 March** Parent Forum with SLT 9-10am

### WEEK 6 BEGINNING 31 MARCH 2025

- **Date to be confirmed** 95%+ Attendance Reward Day
- **Tue 1 April** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Tue 1 April** SEND Coffee Morning 9-10am
- **Thu 2 April** Ark, Nursery and Year R curriculum event 9am
- **Fri 4 April** Mason Moor Museum 1.30pm Entry



Here are the opening times for Basics Bank during the Christmas/New Year period.

<b>Monday 23rd Dec</b>	<b>Open 10am-3pm at Above Bar Church</b>
<b>Tuesday 24th Dec</b>	<b>CLOSED (Venue Closure)</b>
<b>Wednesday 25th Dec</b>	<b>CLOSED (Bank Holiday)</b>
<b>Thursday 26th Dec</b>	<b>CLOSED (Bank Holiday)</b>
<b>Friday 27th Dec</b>	<b>Open 10am-1pm Lordshill Church</b>
<b>Monday 30th Dec</b>	<b>Open 10am-1pm Above Bar Church</b>
<b>Tuesday 31st Dec</b>	<b>Open 10am-1pm St Marys Church, Sholing</b>
<b>Wednesday 1st Jan 2025</b>	<b>CLOSED (Bank Holiday)</b>
<b>From Thursday 2nd Jan 2025</b>	<b>Open as usual</b>

The Clothes Bank will be closed on Weds 25th December & Wednesday 1st January, & reopens Weds 8th January 2025.



## Stay safe this festive season & beware of pickpockets when out and about



Pay attention to your surroundings and be aware of those around you - using your phone or listening to music can be distracting



Avoid putting valuables such as a purse, wallet or your phone into your back pocket



Keep bags closed and secure at all times



Conceal any valuables, such as your wallet or phone, in a buttoned or zipped pocket where it doesn't bulge, like an inside pocket if you have one



Don't carry large amounts of cash with you when out and about

**If you have been a victim of crime please contact a trusted adult as soon as possible and report it to police on 101 or via our website. In an emergency always call 999.**

Report crimes online, visit [www.hampshire.police.uk](http://www.hampshire.police.uk)  
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