



MASON MOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Headteacher News | Friday 24th January 2025

It has been lovely to welcome parents and carers to the various school events that have been held during this week. It has been fantastic to see so many of you. Thank you for supporting your child in school. Please check the bottom of this newsletter for future events that are happening soon.

Pupil of the Day! Please remember to return Pupil of the Day postcards to school when your child brings one home. It is a lovely way to capture parental comments that can be shared as part of our in-school celebrations. Thank you for your continued support.



Simon Chadwick! Year 2 have a visitor on Tuesday 28th January! Cartoon illustrator and author will be in school working with the children to make their own illustrations and stories. Year 2 children will have the opportunity to purchase Simon Chadwick's books on the day at £5 each, if you would like to purchase a book then please ensure Ms Cox has been given the money on Tuesday 28th January in the morning.

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 9-9.30am in the hall

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 School Nurse Coffee morning 9-10am
- Wed 5 February Year 3 and 4 Maths Event 2-3pm
- Thu 6 February Year 5 and 6 Maths Event 2-3pm

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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: 91%

Class Cake Winners



Year 5

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

Whole School Attendance figures:

	This Week	Difference
Nursery	88%	+9%
Year R	93%	-3%
The Ark	92%	-4%
Year 1	93%	+4%
Year 2	92%	-1%
Year 3	87%	-3%
Year 4	95%	+2%
Year 5	96%	+1%
Year 6	88%	+1%
Whole School	91%	-1%

Attendance Update



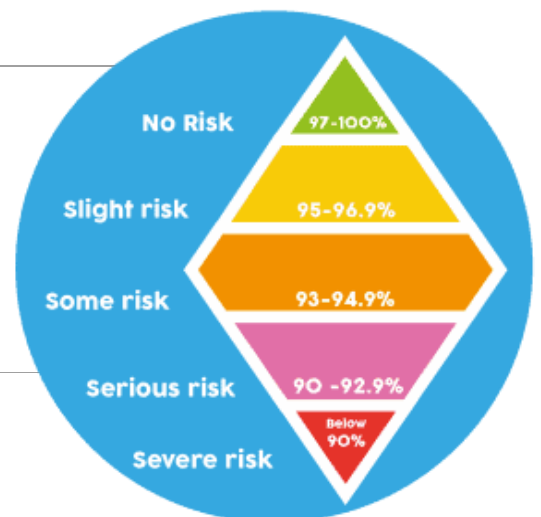
Our **97%** attendance target is still achievable this year if we work together on ensuring children are in school every day and not missing out on learning.

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
Jack	Siem	Maya

Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
1 Blue	Kojo
2 Blue	Octavia
3 Blue	Savannah M-H
Pathways	Nate

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Jaylah
5 Blue	Edith
6 Blue	Logan

Handwriting AWARD WINNERS

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Tommy
1 Blue	Ohemaa
2 Blue	Mark
3 Blue	Alex

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Anumi
5 Blue	Lacey
6 Blue	Charles
Pathways	Isaac S

READER OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Year	Winner
R Blue	Tyrion
1 Blue	Habila
2 Blue	Teddy
3 Blue	Abigail

Key Stage 2 Children

Year	Winner
4 Blue	Levi
5 Blue	Ebsa
6 Blue	Emmie
Pathways	Leo

Learning at Mason Moor:

Nursery

This week, the children's focus has been based around the story 'Dinosaur roar'. We have been exploring the opposites that are in the story and what that looks like in our environment (short, tall, light, heavy). In maths this week we have looked at creating patterns which the children have taken to very well.

The Ark

This week we have been exploring "Dinosaur Roar." We have learnt the names of the dinosaurs and been reading dinosaur words. In maths, we have been learning to subtract and finding one less. It has been amazing to see our children exploring the resources and using the new vocabulary.

Year R

This week we have been reading our new book "Dinosaurs day out" and spotting all the capital letters within the book. In maths we have been identifying one more and one less of a number and developing our mathematical language by using different terms (one greater, one fewer). We have been learning about volcanoes and what happens to them if they are dormant, active or extinct and the possible cause they had on making the dinosaurs go extinct. During the week we used our VR headsets to look at a Triceratops, Stegosaurus and a Tyrannosaurus rex before visiting a dinosaur land where we saw large footprints and fossils.

Year 1

In Year 1, we have continued our learning about the Celts during the Iron Age. Year 1 built a lovely colorful hillfort together which were the settlements where the Celts lived. How much do they remember about the features of a hillfort? Why is each feature important?

In Maths, we have returned to Addition and Subtraction with 0-20, so any real life examples you can talk through with them at home would be super helpful! They have been using a 'First, Then, Now' structure to tell stories. Ex. First there were 4 apples, then I ate 2, now I have ... which has helped them to think carefully about how and why addition and subtraction is useful.

Year 2

In Year 2, we have been learning about aerial views (birds eye view) in geography. We searched on Google Earth to find out what our school looks like from above. From this, the children sketched a blueprint of the school. In maths, we have been learning how to exchange using column subtraction

Year 3

Year 3 have been continuing their journey looking at the story of 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'. This week we took a slight detail and also reviewed the story of 'The Three Pigs' and had a go at writing our own sentences relating to that story.

In History, we have been learning about how people who had been accused of a crime were treated in the 12th Century. We are very glad that the trials they might have to go through are no longer used!

Year 4

Remember, remember the 5th of November! Gunpowder, treason and plot...Year 4 have learnt a new song this week all about the gunpowder plot and they just can't stop singing it. Don't be surprised if you catch them humming it! We've been working hard at our column addition in Maths (don't forget to carry the 1), as well as our rounding. If you need anything added together while you're at the supermarket, let us know!

Year 5

This week in year 5 have continued to explore their writing book - *The Whispering Town* - linking to their learning around Southampton through the ages and into WWII. They have been exploring mountains through their Geography learning, looking at formation and where they are around the world.

Year 6

This week, students continued diving into North America in geography, tying it beautifully to our Civil War history lessons. They're also exploring Carl Linnaeus' fascinating taxonomy system in science. In English, we're delving into *The Rabbits* to craft stories full of tension and dialogue. Enthusiasm is buzzing!

Pathways

This week in Pathways we have been practising our presentation in maths, using a ruler to draw straight lines and writing one number in each square. We have also been exploring place value in maths and the use of expanded noun phrases in writing. One of our pupils kindly made and brought in cupcakes which all of our pupils enjoyed.

Nuture

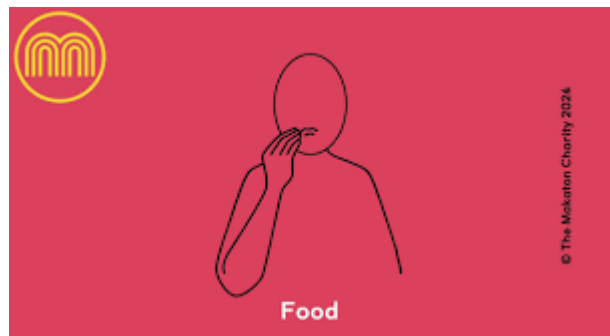
In nurture we have been meeting our well being monsters and have learned ways we regulate and how positive thoughts help us because thoughts aren't always fact especially if they are . In science we have been looking at different type of rock and today we have done a soil analysis test we will have the results at the end of the day

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:

Food



PE Word of the Week:



Tactics



Definition:

*The particular method used or selected to
achieve something*

PE thought of the week:



"You miss 100% of the shots



you don't take"

PE AWARD WINNERS

KS1	Savannah S (Year 3)	KS2	Matthew P (Year 4)
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PE learning this week

This week KS1 have been passing and receiving a ball with control. The children also worked collaboratively to keep possession to try and score a goal. Their teamwork and resilience was fantastic, well done!

During this half term KS2 will be learning Hockey. This week the children learned the push pass in Hockey. We began to use the push passes in a match situation. The children also explored how to use tactics in a match in order to achieve.



Our week in pictures



Field of Dreams



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Hockey in PE with Year 4





Exploring dinosaurs in the Ark!



Year 1 build a rainbow hillfort!



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

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- **Tue 11th February** English class for parents 9-10am
- **Tue 11th February** KS2 Disco 3:30-4:30pm £1
- **Wed 12th February** School Nurse & Mental Health in Schools coffee Morning 9-10am
- **Thur 13th February** KS1 Disco 3:30-4:30pm £1
- **Thu 13th February** Ark, Nursery & Year R curriculum event for Parents 9-10am

We ask that all water bottles brought into school contain water ONLY

A bottle of water goes a long way!

BENEFITS OF DRINKING WATER



Drinking more water can help you:

- Feel more alert and energetic
- Concentrate and think more clearly
- Improve the condition of your skin and hair
- Get rid of waste products from your body
- Help digest food quicker and as a result help you maintain your weight

REMEMBER
DRINK WATER EVERY DAY



Chinese New Year 2025
Mason Moor Primary School
Wednesday 29th January

Chinese chicken curry
& rice
or
Quorn Chow Mein
or
Spring roll with egg fried
rice
All served with
Carrots & Broccoli
Dessert
Vanilla cupcakes

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Pouring love into every meal



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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>

