



MASON MOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Headteacher News | Friday 14th February 2025

We are pleased to announce **World Book Day** is on **6th March**! Your child can dress as their favourite character from their book. Costumes do not have to be bought but can be made from clothing at home. If you have any questions please speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you! To all those children and families who contributed pieces to our Mini Mason Moor Museum. It was lovely to see some of the pieces that children made for the Christmas Museum which was sadly cancelled.

Return to school! We look forward to seeing the return of our families on Monday 24th February, at 8.40am for the first day back of the Spring 2 half term.



#teammasonmoor

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: 93%

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.

	This Week	Difference
Nursery	74%	-8%
Year R	90%	+1%
The Ark	94%	+14%
Year 1	82%	-5%
Year 2	98%	+10%
Year 3	94%	-1%
Year 4	93%	+3%
Year 5	96%	0%
Year 6	96%	+2%
Whole School	93%	+1%

Attendance Update



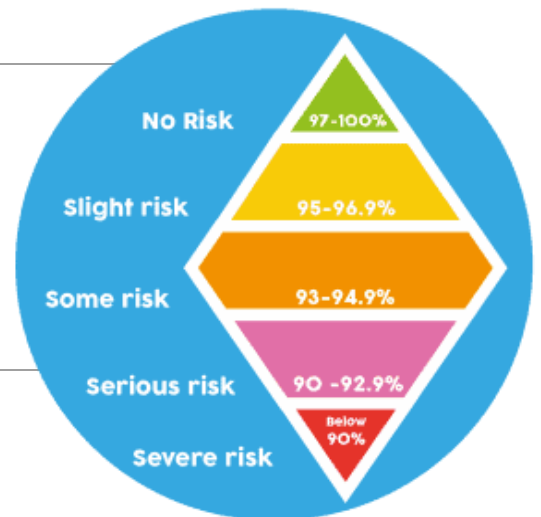
Our **97%** attendance target is still achievable this year if we work together on ensuring children are in school every day and not missing out on learning.

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
Millie	Azaria	Tyrion

Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
1 Blue	Willow
2 Blue	Ianis
3 Blue	Monica
Pathways	Leo

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Amina
5 Blue	Arlindo
6 Blue	Hugo

Handwriting AWARD WINNERS

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Homeclass	Winner
R Blue	Rouella
1 Blue	Harvey
2 Blue	Teddy
3 Blue	Kayla

Key Stage 2 Children

Homeclass	Winner
4 Blue	Luke
5 Blue	Robert
6 Blue	Grace
Pathways	Lexi

READER OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS

EYFS & Key Stage 1 Children

Year	Winner
R Blue	Maya
1 Blue	Cianna
2 Blue	Evolet
3 Blue	Delilah

Key Stage 2 Children

Year	Winner
4 Blue	Kiven
5 Blue	Lakshan
6 Blue	Izaak
Pathways	Freddie

Learning at Mason Moor:

Nursery

This week we have finished reading Ten little Aliens and Ten little Superheroes. It has been National Storytelling week so the children have been reading and telling different stories using props, imagination and story spoons. We have explored natural materials and textiles to make our own superheroes for the Mason Moor Museum. On Thursday we held our Curriculum event which was a success with the children exploring the 7 areas of learning with their parents/guardians.

The Ark

This week we finished our "I wonder what I can imagine" topic. We loved showing our parents what we have been learning about the half term and all the skills we have developed.

In bucket time, we made Valentines Day cards for our families to show them we love them. We used our handprints to make heart shapes, then decorated them carefully with glitter. It was lovely to see everyone taking it in turns and being careful with the resources. We look forward to starting our new topic next half term!

Year R

This week we have finished off our topic by looking at where different dinosaurs lived at what their habitats may have looked like. We have even made our own dinosaurs to go with our volcanoes. In maths we have been looking at writing number sentences for our number bonds to 10 which has enabled us to have a first look at the + and = symbols. In English we have been using adjectives to describe different scenes and characters in the story The Dinosaur that pooped a planet and have been practising our letter formations along with trying to use our phonic sounds to help us write. The EYFS team hope you all have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you all after the short break for our new topics, phonic sounds and books.

Year 1

We had a poetry week in Writing this week on 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright. It has been really lovely seeing the children get so excited about what they are putting inside their magic boxes and we hope to show you at the Museum later this week!

They have also been working further on the Celts and the Iron Age. This week we were looking at Warriors and Druids as important jobs. It might be interesting for you and your children to discuss and compare those jobs to the jobs the adults and people around them have today. What do people need to get a job today? How are they 'rewarded'? How would that have been different in the Iron Age?

Year 2

In Year 2 this week, we have been busy learning about multiplication and division. Our favourite word this week is 'commutative' which we know means 'it can be done in any order'. When multiplying, we know that $4 \times 8 = 32$ and $8 \times 4 = 32$ (it's commutative). In 'My Happy Mind' we are learning about the different parts of the brain, such as the hippocampus, amygdala and prefrontal cortex (or Team H-A-P as we like to call them). We have taken part in 'happy breathing' to calm our minds enabling us to be more effective learners. Please ask your child about their learning this week.

Year 3

Over the last week, year 3 have faced a number of challenges in the form of half-term tests. We are so proud of all the children in the class for how well they have settled and got into the rhythm of taking the tests. We have also started looking at our new writing inspiration, a book called 'The Arrival', which has lots of pictures but no words. There were some fantastic discussions with the children about whether a story needed words. The year 3 team wish all the class a restful and enjoyable half-term. We look forward to seeing you on the following Monday.

Year 4

Test week is well and truly finished!! A big pat on the back to everyone for all their hard work and resilience. We've also been getting ready for our Mason Moor Museum at the end of this week. Come and see all our amazing projects on Friday if you can! We've really been enjoying our extra PE lesson with our saints coach Mr Fryer—a big thank you to him for helping us work on our communication and togetherness.

Year 5

This week in year 5, everyone has been incredibly resilient during test week and I am proud of each and every one of you. Well done! In addition to test week, we had a full day of art and everyone contributed to our module of Ancient Chinese art and calligraphy. Your books look amazing and your drawings are beautiful. Have a lovely half-term and I will see you soon to explore our new topics.

Year 6

We've had a fantastic week full of learning and fun! In English, we've wrapped up our amazing narratives and are now diving into the world of diaries—get ready to channel your inner journal writer! Meanwhile, in science, we're exploring animal adaptations and discovering what creatures need to survive. Lots of exciting discoveries ahead! Keep up the great work; I've really enjoyed working with the kids! 🚀 ✨

Pathways

This week in Pathways we have been exploring our 2, 5, 7 and 9 times tables. Equally, we have been planning and writing our own stories, using expanded noun phrases to describe characters and settings. We had a Pathways disco on Thursday and Made our own popcorn during Thursday Fire Club. The pupils have also enjoyed the introduction of Art and Drama this week.

Nature

In nurture we have been really working on our reading out loud during our "Discovering ourselves" our topic has been respect and in Discovering the world we have been looking at soils and rocks. This week and have made our own terrarium in a jar. We learned about soil, water cycle and what plants need to grow

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:



Tidy up

Breakfast Club



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!

6th March
world book day



Dress as your favourite
Book Character & bring
them to life!

PE Word of the Week:



Fitness



Definition:

*There are two main types of fitness,
health-related and skill-related*

PE thought of the week:

*'In order to succeed we must first
believe that we can!'*



PE AWARD WINNERS

KS1	Zachery (Year 3)	KS2	Jerry (Year 5)
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PE learning this week

During this half term KS1 the children have been exploring the principles of Attack, Defend, Shoot. The children have enjoyed small sided games and their teamwork and resilience was fantastic, well done!

In KS2 this half term the children have embedded their skills in Hockey. They have worked extremely hard on individual skills of dribbling and passing but also developed team tactics and explored team formations within the matches.



Our week in pictures

Premier League Primary Stars Tournament 2025.

On Friday last week our year 6 boys football team competed in a football tournament. They played well as a team and showed resilience throughout. Well done #teammasonmoor



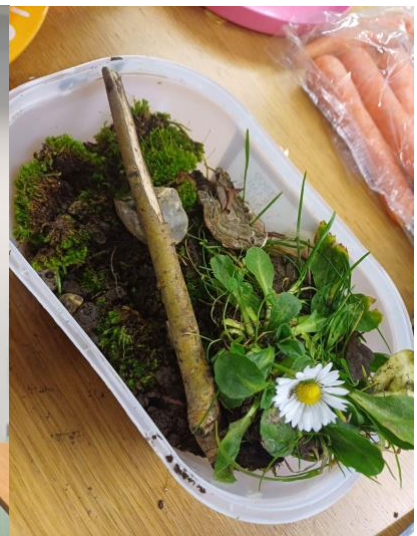
Field of Dreams

On Mondays we take part in our Field of Dreams. This Monday our golf team got creative and designed and built their very own crazy golf holes. The children were given the challenge to create a hole and then share this with the group. Some very creative thinking and team work on show, well done!





Year 1 making a class number line from 20 to 50



Nurture made Terrariums to grow plants, but a few ants snuck into Oscars, so he gave them some popcorn to keep them going.



EYFS hosted a curriculum event to show off all the learning we have done in Spring 1! Thank you to the parents/carers from Nursery, Year R and The Ark who attended to share this learning experience with the children!



EYFS had a storytelling day! They dressed up as their favourite characters. Well done to Rouella (Year R) and Robin (Nursery) on their home-made costumes!



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>

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BARCLAYS WOMEN'S
CHAMPIONSHIP

SATURDAY
MAR 22

KICK-OFF
5:30PM

ST MARY'S STADIUM

FREE TICKETS



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