



MASON MOOR

PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Headteacher News | Tuesday 22nd July 2025

As we reach the end of a fantastic year at Mason Moor, I want to take this opportunity to celebrate all that we have achieved together. This year has seen the school go from strength to strength – from improved outcomes and enriched curriculum experiences to memorable trips, sporting events, and community celebrations. Our children continue to impress us with their ambition, determination, and enthusiasm for learning. Across the school, there is a renewed sense of pride and purpose, and it has been a joy to see both pupils and staff flourish.

We've also strengthened our partnerships with families, welcomed new staff members who have brought fresh ideas and energy, and continued to build a nurturing environment where every child is supported to be the best version of themselves. Our commitment to inclusion, high expectations, and strong relationships remains at the heart of everything we do, and it's been wonderful to see the impact of this in classrooms, playgrounds, and beyond.

From September, I will be taking on the role of Head of School at Mason Moor full-time, and I am incredibly excited for the year ahead. It has been a privilege to work across both St Mary's and Mason Moor this year, and I look forward to continuing to build on the brilliant foundations we've established here. Thank you for your ongoing support – I wish you all a restful, happy summer and look forward to seeing you in September.

Wednesday 3rd September – INSET

Thursday 4th September – Return to School

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Mrs Bauck | Head of School

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MASON MOOR ATTENDANCE: 88%

100% attendance winners!



Whole School Attendance figures:

Summer 2 term	%
Nursery	89%
Year R	91%
The Ark	84%
Year 1	90%
Year 2	93%
Year 3	82%
Year 4	87%
Year 5	91%
Year 6	88%
Whole School	88%

Best attendance of the half term

Year 2



Teachers 2025-2026

The Ark – Ms Kennett



Nursery – Ms Howes



Year R – Mr McSwiggan



Year 1 – Mr Hassan



Year 2 – Ms Cox



Year 4 – Ms Jablonska



Year 5 – Mr Watmough



Year 6 – Ms Benfield



Pathways – Ms Gerrard



Year 3 – Ms Dart



Unfortunately, due to a recent bereavement, Ms Robinson will no longer be joining the team at Mason Moor. We send her our heartfelt condolences at this difficult time. Following a successful interview process, we are pleased to share that Ms Dart will be joining us from a school in Cornwall. She brings great enthusiasm and is very much looking forward to meeting her new class and starting the year together in September.

As the year draws to a close, we also say goodbye to some much-loved members of the Mason Moor team. **Ms Bidgood** and **Mr Sharman** are leaving us to pursue new opportunities, and we thank them for their commitment, care, and the positive impact they have had on pupils and staff alike. We also say farewell to **Mr Sutton**, who will be continuing his career at St Mary's, one of our valued partnership schools. While we are sad to see them go, we are incredibly proud of all they have achieved and wish them every success in the next chapter of their journeys.

Nursery - our Summer 2 term



Our nursery children have been exploring the exciting topic of "Wonder What Moves," engaging in a variety of activities that have sparked curiosity and encouraged movement, investigation, and creativity. Throughout the term, the children have developed key skills that will support a smooth transition into Year R, including independence, communication, and teamwork. They also took part in special end-of-year events such as Sports Day and Graduation, celebrating their achievements with pride. A heartfelt thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support, especially through your involvement in Stay and Play sessions and curriculum events. We wish everyone a safe and joyful summer break!



Year R - our Summer 2 term

This term has been a busy one for us here in Year R. In phonics we were learning our green phase sounds and understanding that there are different ways to write the same sound. In literacy we have looked at different transport books and as well as writing about them we have also linked them to our topic work. We have read Emma Janes Aeroplane and looked at the landmarks of London, Venice and Paris. Raccoon and the hot air balloon saw us make our own hot air balloon and The hundred decker bus saw us look at the many different ways in which we can travel in the air and across land and sea. In maths we have been adding, subtracting, doubling and halving and been developing our mathematical language to understand the different ways we can say what the operation is



Year 1 - our Summer 2 term

Summer 2 has just blitzed past us, and I am exceptionally proud of the progress Year 1 have made, they have all taken great strides to become the best version of themselves! Maths has covered a wide range of topics including multiplication, direction and money. It has been great to see them making real world links when problem solving. They have all really embraced the idea of saving our planet across the curriculum, with our book '10 things I can do to help my world' which has fuelled some lovely and fantastic writing. Litter picking and fishing plastics out of ocean trays have been highlights from their learning in science as they have considered some of the challenges humans face today when it comes to recycling and waste. History has looked at some significant people from our government in modern times to try and consider how they have contributed to our society. Finally, Geography has tied it all together with us looking at London with a closer lens, the landmarks, features and challenges London faces as our capital city.



Year 2 - our Summer 2 term

As the summer term ends, we're proud to share what Year 2 have been learning.

In writing, we explored the inspiring life of Mae Jemison, the first African American woman in space. The children wrote fantastic biographies and diary entries based on her achievements.

In maths, we focused on problem-solving using different methods such as bar models, part-whole models, and drawings. These helped the children explain their thinking and develop confidence.

In geography, we learned about the countries of the United Kingdom, their capital cities, flags, and traditions. The children enjoyed using maps and spotting places they've visited.

Our history topic took us back to 1066 and the Battle of Hastings. The children found it fascinating and particularly enjoyed role-playing the events.

In science, we explored space and the Solar System, learning about the planets and asking brilliant questions.

In Religious Education, we looked at authority through stories about Jesus, discussing how he showed leadership and how people lead today. Thank you for your continued support



Year 3 - our Summer 2 term



Year 3 have had a great term adding to their knowledge of the Tudors. In particular we moved on to look at and find out about Elizabethan England with characters such as Sir Francis Drake, Sir Walter Raleigh and Shakespeare. In Geography we loved investigating rivers of the world and in science we learned about how plants grow and what they need in order to grow. The year 3 team are proud of the achievements of Year 3 this year. We wish all the children the best for a safe, fun summer and for a successful start to year 4.



Year 4 - our Summer 2 term

This term, Year 4 have been busy exploring some fascinating topics! In English, we've been thinking about plastic – its uses, its dangers, and its role in our environment. The children wrote persuasive arguments and informative texts about how we can reduce plastic waste to help protect our planet. In Geography, we've been learning all about **Northern Ireland**. From the stunning Giant's Causeway to vibrant cultural traditions, the children have enjoyed discovering what makes this part of the UK unique. Our history lessons focused on the mystery of the "**Bedpan Baby**" – the birth of James Francis Edward Stuart in 1688. We explored why this event caused so much controversy at the time and how it led to the Glorious Revolution. The children loved debating whether the story of the baby being smuggled into the bedchamber was true or just clever propaganda! Science has been all about **powerful forces**. We studied the incredible strength of volcanoes, hurricanes, and other natural phenomena, investigating what causes them and their impact on our world. It's been a term full of curiosity and creativity. Well done, Year 4, for all your hard work and enthusiasm! You have made Miss Jablonska very proud.



Year 5 - our Summer 2 term



What a fantastic term it has been in Year 5! The children have shown tremendous growth and enthusiasm in their learning, embracing every opportunity with curiosity and determination. One of the highlights of the term was our trip to Marwell Zoo. The children had a brilliant time and impressed us all with their orienteering skills—especially when they had to help Miss Bidgood find the right path! It has been an absolute pleasure teaching Year 5 this year. We are incredibly proud of each and every child and wish them all the very best as they head into Year 6. Have a wonderful summer holiday!

Year 6 - our Summer 2 term



Year 6 at Mason Moor had a fantastic Summer 2 term, filled with memorable moments and proud achievements. Pupils demonstrated resilience and focus during SATs, celebrating well-deserved success. Highlights included our end-of-year production, where their confidence and creativity shone, and a fun-filled prom that built lasting memories. Transition activities prepared everyone well for secondary school. The term ended on a high with celebrations, leavers' events, and heartfelt goodbyes. We're proud of each and every one!

Ark - our Summer 2 term

The Ark have loved their "I wonder what moves" topic! We have explored different vehicles and been learning to use our phonics to make the new vocabulary. In Discovery Time, we have been developing our imaginative play skills so that we can retell the stories we have learnt and create our own stories – it has been amazing to see us all playing together. In maths, we have been deepening our knowledge of number, learning how to represent numbers 0-20 in different ways. All The Ark have made incredible progress, and we are so proud of their achievements this year!



Pathways - our Summer 2 term



In pathways we have had a really great summer term where we have been learning to love learning. We have read three great books and based our reading, writing and maths around these books. Our favourite was charlie and the chocolate factory (for obvious reasons) We have also had two great trips

