



Malborough with South Huish C of E (VC) Primary School

Friday 12th January 2024 - Spring Term Newsletter 1

www.malboroughprimaryschool.co.uk

Dear Parents and Carers

We enjoyed a lovely welcome in church on Wednesday with Father Daniel. The children listened brilliantly as he talked about epiphany and the gifts brought by the Wise Men. In school, it has been a pleasure to walk around the classrooms and see the learning taking place. Our monitoring has had a maths focus and I have been able to look at books, see the children in their lessons and talk to them about what they are learning.

We are always keen to have volunteers in school to support Forest School on a Friday. This means that the children are able to participate in their learning activities within the village field. If you think you could help, please contact the school office.

There is still time to complete the 'Big Ambition' survey which is being sent to all families with young children: www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition

COFFEE AND CATCH-UP - SEND

Monday 29th January in the school hall 2.45pm

Mrs French will be holding a coffee afternoon for any parents who would like to come along. The session will start with the sharing of organisations and websites which might offer parents advice and guidance. It will finish with a sociable catch up. This is a chance to get some more information about SEND but also a chance to chat and share experiences with other parents of SEND children.

All parents are welcome.



GARDENING CLUB

This week our Gardening Club braved the snowy conditions to plant some crocus bulbs around the school garden.

With Mrs Tann they carefully separated the bulbs and planted them into individual small holes they had dug.

We can't wait to see them blossom in the warmer weather!

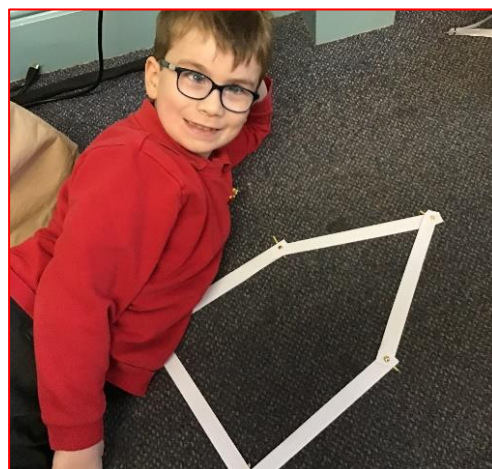
Thank you for working so hard to improve our environment and have such a positive impact on our school.



POLYGONS & COMPUTING WITH CLASS 3

In Maths this week Year 3 have enjoyed learning about regular, irregular and right-angled polygons.

The children made the shapes with split pins and strips of paper. Can you guess how many different shaped Polygons there are? Year 3 can tell you!



During their Computing lesson this week, the children used 'Scratch' to program sequences! As part of our computing sessions we often begin by talking about internet safety, at home and at school.

NUMBERS AND BAKING IN CLASS 4!

This week in Class 4, the Year 5s have started multiplying a 4-digits number by a 2-digit number and the Year 6s have just begun their unit on Ratio. To finish off their computing unit, the children filmed their videos and have started the editing process. Today the children will be baking their final products and analysing the success of their sweet treat! We'll let you know what their findings are.

BUSY CLASS 2

This week the children in Class 2 were asked to bring in baby photos of themselves. They had great fun trying to match the photos with everyone in class. The children looked carefully at the features of the babies to see how they had developed and grown into the children that we see today.

They have also enjoyed researching about Islam in their RE lessons and finding out how different religions worship and celebrate.

We thoroughly enjoyed about beats, notes and rhythm during our music lesson. We followed Mrs Freeman as she shared the music and we played the notes, making sure they were in the right order.





CLASS 1 POLAR EXPLORERS

The children have been wrapping up warm this week and were very excited to venture out into the snow - like real life Polar Explorers! They have also been putting their pattern making skills on display by creating their own pattern plan and then representing this using loose parts. Also, this week the children have been learning all about Penguins - they waddled and wiggled out in the playground before huddling for warmth from the freezing Antarctic winds!

Reminder: **Thursday 18th January** is **Polar Dressing-up** day for Class 1. We are asking if the children could come to school dressed as a Polar explorer or animal. Thank you.

FOREST SCHOOL

Wrapped up warm against the very chilly weather, our Reception children had a great time during their Forest school session today making animal collages with foliage they collected from the school garden.



ATTENDANCE

Week ending 12th January

Reception	92.86%
Year 1	95.83%
Year 2	98.08%
Year 3	89.77%
Year 4	96.67%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	93.75%
Whole School	95.43%

WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 15th JANUARY

Monday 15 th January	Classes 2 & 4 PE Mindful Makers after-school club. 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Tuesday 16 th January	Whole school PE with Achieve 4 All Book Club - Lunchtime Achieve 4 All after-school sports club. 3.30pm - 4.30pm. Dance Club. 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Wednesday 17 th January	Chess Club. 3.30pm - 4.30pm. Year 6 SATS Club. 3.30pm - 4.30pm.
Thursday 18 th January	Musical Theatre after-school club. 3.30pm - 4.30pm. Year 5 & 6 Youth Club. 3.30pm - 4.30pm.
Friday 19 th January	Classes 1 & 3 PE Forest School - Reception in the morning Forest School - Year 3 in the afternoon



FOREST SCHOOL

Please would you ensure that your child has plenty of warm layers, a warm and waterproof coat, a hat, gloves and wellies to wear for their Forest School sessions. The children are likely to get muddy, so please send them with clothes which you don't mind getting soiled. Thank you.



The School Awards this week go to:

Reception: **Saxon**

Year 1: **Imogen C**

Year 3: **Ava**

Year 4: **James**

Year 5: **Libby**

Year 6: **Max**

The Attendance Cup this week has been awarded to: **CLASS 4**

This week the House with the most house points is: **SAINT PATRICK**

The MTA award this week goes to: **Amelia** for always being friendly, kind and responsible.

Well done everyone! Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Pearson
Interim Head of School

Mrs T Coulthard
Executive Head Teacher

STARS OF THE WEEK



DIARY DATES - New events in 'Red'

Thursday 18 th January	Class 1	Polar Dressing-up day
Thursday 1 st February		Open Class Rooms. 3.00pm - 3.30pm
Tuesday 6 th February	Years R & 1	Dental Screening.
Wednesday 7 th February		SHF Dance Festival at Malborough Village Hall. 2.30pm to 7.00pm
Thursday 8 th February		SWW educational visit to the school.
Friday 9 th February		Break-up for Half-Term
Wednesday 6 th March		Visit from author Clare Helen Welsh.
Thursday 7 th March		World Book Day. Dress up as your favourite book character.
Friday 8 th March		Mothers' Day posy making (morning).
Friday 8 th March		Mothers' Day Service in Church at 2.30pm
Wednesday 13 th March	KS2	Exeter Synagogue and RAMM
Friday 15 th March		Red Nose Day for Comic Relief
Wednesday 20 th March		PTFA 'Swish' fund-raiser
Thursday 28 th March		PTFA Egg-a-thon. 1.30pm - 3.00pm.
Thursday 28 th March		LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM
Monday 15 th April		FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM
Monday 6 th May		BANK HOLIDAY
Thursday 9 th May	Year 3	Extended Day Visit to Forest and Beach
13 th to 16 th May	Year 6	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Tuesday 21 st May	Classes 2 & 4	Devon & Somerset Fire Safety Talk. 9.30am - Midday
Friday 24 th May		Break-up for Half-Term
Monday 3 rd June		Return to school
Monday 3 rd June	Year 5	Bikeability cycling proficiency course
3 rd to 5 th June	Year 6	Residential visit
Wednesday 5 th June	Year 6	Sailing with Salcombe Dinghy Sailing. 1.00pm to 3.00pm.
Wednesday 12 th June	Year 4	Residential visit
Wednesday 12 th June	Year 6	Sailing with Salcombe Dinghy Sailing. 1.00pm to 3.00pm.
Friday 14 th June	Year 5	Residential visit
Wednesday 19 th June	Year 6	Sailing with Salcombe Dinghy Sailing. 1.00pm to 3.00pm.
Friday 21 st June		Sports Day
Wednesday 26 th June	Year 6	Sailing with Salcombe Dinghy Sailing. 1.00pm to 3.00pm.
Wednesday 3 rd July	Year 6	Year 6 Transition Day at KCC.
Friday 19 th July		Year 6 Leavers' Service
Friday 19 th July		LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM