

Midsomer Norton Primary School



Head teacher: Mr Alun Randell

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Staffing changes

We would like to congratulate Mrs Hughes on her appointment as full-time class teacher and ICT Coordinator at St Cuthbert's Junior School in Wells. Although we will be sorry to see her leave at the end of this term, this is a wonderful opportunity and we wish Mrs Hughes all the best as she begins this next exciting stage of her career. Mrs Eleanor Cook has been appointed as full-time teacher of Uranus Class in Year 3/4. As both Mrs Hughes and Mrs Cook were previously part-time teachers, this means that we have been able to appoint a single full-time teacher to replace Mrs Hughes. After interviewing before half-term, I am pleased to announce that we have appointed Mrs Jo Ingram, a very experienced teacher currently working in Oxfordshire, to teach Saturn class in Year 3/4 full-time from January. Mrs Forster will move to Year 5/6 and teach Earth class together with Mrs Ross.

Bristol Post - Science Give Away

The Bristol Post are giving £10,000 to one lucky school in the local area for science. If you or a family member reads the Bristol Post please collect the tokens published and bring them to the school office. 100 tokens equals one chance at winning this amazing prize!

Anti-Bullying Week/ Children in Need

14th-18th November is Anti-Bullying Week. The children will be discussing what bullying is, learning to be safe online and carrying out some art activities to help them understand that we are all different. They will also be having a circle time to share their feelings on bullying. We are asking the children to wear a blue accessory on Thursday 17th November to show that they are standing up to bullying. This can be e.g. hair clip, wrist band, blue badge or blue socks.

Friday 18th November is Children in Need Day which is being organised by our Champions For Change. The children are invited to come to school in spots in return for a voluntary contribution of £1. The Champions will be hosting a danceathon in the afternoon with prizes for the best dancing. The week is also Diabetes Week and as one of our youngest pupils suffers from diabetes we will donate a proportion of money raised to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund. You can find out more about the work of this charity at <https://jdrf.org.uk/>.

Ruby Power

This term we are focusing on Ruby Power - Supporting Others. Key behaviours we will recognise include: listening to others; valuing others' opinions and helping and praising others.

Using Maths Methods Confidently

Have you ever wondered how to support your child at home because you feel that maths is taught differently to when you were at school? We hope you can make our Key Stage 2 workshops on Tuesday 8th November a 6:00pm, and our Infants Maths work shop on Wednesday 9th November, 9:00am (please note there was a typo in last week's newsletter - the infants workshop will be on Wednesday not Thursday).



Applying for Reception Places for Sept 2017

Please remember that applications must be made by 15th January 2017. If you have not already done so you can apply online via the B&NES website at

www.bathnes.gov.uk

Go to Schools, Colleges & Learning and then Admissions to Schools. If you need to talk to someone in Admissions you can contact them on 01225 394312

Flu vaccinations

You should have received a flu vaccination form and booklet if your child is in Y1,2 & 3. Please make sure that you return it to school asap even if you **do not** give consent for your child to have the vaccination. These will take place on Tues 29 Nov

Y4 & Y6 Camp Deposits

Deposits for camp need to be paid by 7th November via the School Gateway to secure your child's place
Y4 -£30 Y6 - £40

Late arrival at school

Please remember that if your child is going to be late to school and will require a school meal you need to let the office know by 9am so we are able to order enough meals

School Meals - Jacket Potatoes

An extra option of jacket potatoes has been added to the menu for this year. These are available every day but **must be pre-ordered** through the school office

Have a lovely weekend!
Alun Randell
Head Teacher



Attendance Champions of the week

1	Jupiter	99.2%
2	Moon	98.9%
3	Venus	98.3%

Well done everybody!



Head Teacher Awards

Otis Zuzanna Esther Ethan
Harrison Emily Lena Sophie



Gold Awards

For demonstrating exemplary behaviour...

Chloe Julia Emelia Bailey Harvey

Aaron Jasmine Abigail Declan

Popple Leo



Birthdays

Darcey Kyle Aisha Ryley
Elliot Scarlett Millie

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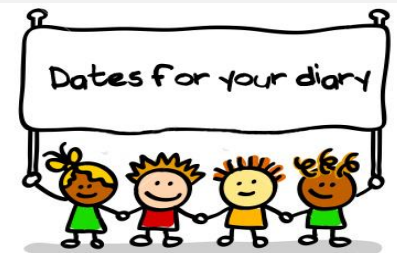
Don't forget that you can catch up with what's going on in school on our twitter feed:

<https://twitter.com/MSNPrimary>

Letters home this week:

No letters

All letters are uploaded to the school website



Mon 7 / Tues 8 / Thurs 10 Nov KS1 Trip to Radstock Museum

Tues 8 Nov - Maths Info Eve (KS2) 6pm

Wed 9 Nov - Maths info morning (Rec & Y1/2) 9am

Thu 17 Nov - Anti-Bullying Day - see above

Fri 18 Nov - Children in Need Day - see above

Fri 25 Nov - StoryBox Theatre

Midsomer Norton Brownies are currently looking for girls aged 7-11 who may be interested in joining their groups.

Girls in Brownies have incredible experiences together, make brilliant friends and discover the world around them. Every time they meet up, groups of Brownies learn new skills and take on challenges as they work out what they want to be and do in the future.

You can register via the 'getting involved' link on the

<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/>