



MASEFIELD NEWSLETTER

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It has been another incredibly busy and successful few weeks at Masefield, with so many wonderful opportunities for our children to learn, perform, compete, and shine. As we move towards the final stages of the school year, it has been fantastic to see the confidence, enthusiasm, and maturity our pupils continue to show both inside and outside the classroom.

Our Year 4 pupils recently enjoyed a visit to the Hindu Mandir as part of their RE learning. The trip provided children with a valuable opportunity to deepen their understanding of different faiths and cultures through first-hand experiences. The children represented the school brilliantly and returned full of new knowledge and thoughtful reflections.

We have also been delighted to welcome our new Reception cohort into school for their taster sessions. It has been lovely to see the excitement on their faces as they begin their journey with Masefield. We are very much looking forward to officially welcoming them into our school family in September.

One of the biggest highlights over the past fortnight has undoubtedly been our Sports Days. Across every year group, the children showed fantastic determination, teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship. It was wonderful to see pupils encouraging one another, celebrating success together, and giving their absolute best in every event. Thank you to all the families who attended and supported these special occasions—it truly created a brilliant atmosphere.

Our recent Bake Off event and Macmillan Coffee Morning were also fantastic successes. These events showcased the strength of our school community and raised valuable funds for important causes. Thank you to everyone who contributed, baked, attended, or supported in any way.

In addition, our Summer Fair was another hugely successful event and a wonderful celebration of our school community. We are incredibly grateful for the continued support from families, staff, and friends of the school. The funds raised will help us continue to enhance opportunities and experiences for all of our pupils.

Finally, a huge well done to our school choir, who performed at the ALFA concert at Bolton Wanderers Stadium. They sang beautifully and represented Masefield with great pride and professionalism. It was a very special experience and one the children will remember for a long time.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. The achievements and experiences our children enjoy are only possible because of the strength of our school community working together to help every child believe, achieve, and succeed.

Stay Connected
As always, you can get a glimpse of our day-to-day learning and special moments by following our Facebook page—just search Masefield Primary School to stay up to date.

MESSAGE FROM

MR DONE



HIGHLIGHTS

LEAD LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

A huge well done to these pupils, who have worked incredibly hard!

Reception - Jaxson-James

Year 1 - Jessa & Alfie

Year 2 - Elliott & Roman

Year 3 - Hollie & Hallie

Year 4 - Olivia & Theo

Year 5 - Oliver T & Millie

Year 6 - Bobby

IN THE SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK...

Sports Day

Sports Day was a hot one this year but this did not stop all the children at Masefield taking part and having fun in their Sports Day events. Staff were on hand with hats, water and areas of shade to make sure that students kept as cool as they could in between the different team events. Even though the weather was hot, students, staff (& parents) all had fun taking part in the running races as well as the traditional Sports day events like the sack race and egg and spoon race.

At the end of the sessions, everyone enjoyed a well earned ice pop and it is clear that all children from Nursery up to Year 6 had enjoyed representing their house teams and had a great time.

Alongside sports day, students from Year 4 took part in the colour run at Rvington & Blackrod School and our Year 5 & 6 rounders team came first in the cluster tournament at Mytham. Well done everyone!



VISION AND VALUE AWARD WINNERS

We are so proud of these children, who always demonstrate our core values!

Reception - Miley

Year 1 - Louie

Year 2 - Stan

Year 3 - Grace

Year 4 - Roman & Penny

Year 5 - Caitlyn

Year 6 - Violet

READER OF THE WEEK

Each week, we reward children for remarkable reading. These children have won a book to keep forever!

Reception - Fern

Year 1 - Mohammed

Year 2 - Sapphire

Year 3 - Daisy

Year 4 - Olivia

Year 5 - Reeva

Year 6 - Joseph

HOUSE TEAMS WORLD CUP DAY WINNERS

On Wednesday, Coach Beth hosted a World Cup house team football tournament in school and the results are as follows;

1st Amistad - 29 points

2nd Sollevare - 24 points

3rd - Isibindi - 22 points

3rd - Reveur - 22 points

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Each week, we celebrate success in Good News Assembly. Don't forget to bring your amazing achievements to share!



HIGHLIGHTS

HISTORY AT MASEFIELD



Over the past few weeks, we have been very fortunate in having Jane from History Alive in to visit our KS2 classes. Throughout all of the sessions, the classes were able to delve in to the past to really explore the different eras through examining all kinds of sources of information from artefacts from the periods as well as replica costumes. By doing this the classes, were really able to learn about what life was really like in the different periods and how people would have lived.

Year 4 were transported back to the Roman era which further developed their learning about Roman Britain. They were able to examine replica spears and try on armour whilst learning what life would have been like in Roman Britain.

Over in Year 3, they leapt back into the Egyptian period where they discovered what daily life was like along the River Nile. They learnt about Egyptian customs and traditions, and uncovered the secrets of pharaohs, pyramids, and mummification. From exploring ancient beliefs to understanding how Egyptians lived, worked, and celebrated, everyone enjoyed a hands-on and engaging experience filled with learning, curiosity, and fun.

Our upper Key Stage 2 students also experienced workshops revolving around the Vikings in Year 5 and WW2 in Year 6. In both, the classes showed the upmost respect for Jane and her artefacts and asked lots of insightful questions.
Well done Key Stage 2

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Summer 2 Half Term

Tuesday - Year 1 Multi-sports

Wednesday - Year 2 Multi-sports

Thursday - Year 6 BWFC session
Vocal band - Year 3-6

All clubs finish at 4:15pm



SUMMER FAIR



Our annual Summer Fair was another incredible success this year, with more parents than ever joining us and taking part in all the different stalls and games that we had on offer. Splat the Teacher was as popular as ever with children queuing up to take aim at Mr Klimiuk. There was lots going on with glitter make up, adopt a pet, guess the teddy's name, the famous chocolate fountain and the ever popular bottle tombola, just to name a few! The Masefield Meal Deal was also a popular addition this year and allowed us to reduce the amount of food waste that often occurs at events.

Thank you to everyone who attended and we all hope that you enjoyed this summer celebration.



BAKE OFF

A huge thank you from everyone at Masefield who supported our recent Macmillan Coffee Morning and Bake off. We are so grateful to everyone who came along, donated, baked and helped make the event such a wonderful success. In total we raised £724 which could not have happened without such generosity and kindness of our Masefield parents. Look out on our Facebook page for the category winners who will be announced soon.





SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

LITTLE CHATS BIG RIGHTS



RIGHTS
RESPECTING
SCHOOLS

We're proud to share that we as a School Council are working towards achieving the Rights Respecting Schools Award and can share that we are progressing well and have now been awarded the Bronze Unicef award!



This means we are embedding our learning on children's rights as set out in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and thinking about how these rights are respected in our school.

Each newsletter will include a short discussion point focusing on a different Article, giving families the chance to talk together about children's rights and what they mean in everyday life.

The focus for this fortnight is taken from

Article 24 – Right to health, food, and clean water



What are some healthy habits that help children grow strong and stay well?

THE BASE



ICE POPS - 2 for 50p!!!

Yogurt tubes for 20p!!!

Hot drinks - £1 each!

All other items are priced at 50p each.

The BASE is open most Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays after school.



Don't forget to share any ideas you have of how we can make Masefield even better with your class representative.





ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Reception - 97.6%

Year 1 - 95.3%

Year 2 - 97.1%

Year 3 - 97.4%

Year 4 - 97.4%

Year 5 - 91%

Year 6T - 93.8%

Year 6W - 89.2%

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Our attendance target for the year is **97%**. This is achievable if we all work together to ensure that children are in school **EVERY** day and are not missing any learning.

OUR ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK:

95.1%

OUR ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR TO DATE:

96.3%

Make each day count!

100%

0 days missed

99%

2 days missed

97%

5 days missed

95%

10 days missed

90%

20 days missed

85%

30 days missed

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

Medical appointments should be made outside of school hours where possible. Where it is not possible, you must notify the office in advance. Taking your child out of school is disruptive for the class and impacts your child's learning and attendance.

If there are concerns about how much time your child is missing, proof of medical appointments will be required.

TERM TIME HOLIDAYS

Holidays must not be taken during term time as this has an extremely detrimental effect on your child's education. A fixed penalty notice is the least of the costs; it is the impact on your child's future educational success that presents the greatest cost.

We urge you to prioritise the long term benefits of regular school attendance over the short term impact of a holiday.

Being on time really matters

In a school year, if you were late everyday by...

You would lose approximately...

5 MINUTES

3.5 school days

10 MINUTES

7 school days

15 MINUTES

10 school days

20 MINUTES

14.5 school days

30 MINUTES

22 school days



TOP TIPS

FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILD

ONLINE SAFETY



This week's free online safety guide, provided by the National College, focuses on scams and fake giveaways online.

Children can come across scams in games, apps, videos and websites, often promising "free" rewards such as game currency, rare items or prizes. These scams may ask children to click unsafe links, share personal information or enter account details. Younger children may find it difficult to recognise when something online is too good to be true, especially if it appears to come from a favourite game or influencer.

What parents can do:

Talk to your child about being cautious online and remind them that genuine companies will not ask for passwords or personal details in exchange for prizes. Encourage them to check with a trusted adult before clicking links or downloading anything.

Using parental controls and supervising online activity can help reduce risks, while regular conversations about scams can help children build confidence in spotting suspicious content.

SAFEGUARDING



Keeping Safe During Hot Weather

Warm weather can be enjoyable for children, but high temperatures can also increase the risk of dehydration and heat exhaustion.

Simple ways to help children stay safe include:

- Drink regularly – encourage children to drink water often throughout the day, even if they don't feel thirsty.
- Take breaks from the heat – outdoor play is best balanced with time in the shade or indoors during the hottest part of the day.
- Dress appropriately – lightweight clothing and hats can help children stay cool and protected.
- Watch for signs of overheating – tiredness, dizziness, headaches or feeling sick can all be signs that a child needs to cool down and rest.

For more information, families can visit the NHS website for guidance on heat exhaustion and staying safe in hot weather.

SUPPORTING LEARNING



Learning to Read – Our Phonics Scheme

Each week we will share a video to support your understanding of our phonics scheme.

<https://www.ruthmiskin.com/parentsandcarers/?playlist=7781fe9&video=98121d9>

Reading at Home

'If you cannot read, you cannot learn. If your child cannot read, their progress in all other subjects will be curtailed. There is no such thing as reading too much!'

Maths

White Rose Maths have FREE downloadable booklets for each year group block. You can download them here:

<https://whiterosemaths.com/parent-resources>

All of our parent workshops are available to watch on the school website

SUSTAINABILITY



Pack a Picnic

On sunny days, skip disposable takeaway packaging by packing a simple picnic from home. Use reusable containers, refillable drinks bottles, and washable cutlery or napkins. Picnics are a fun, low-waste way to enjoy time outdoors together while making the most of food you already have at home.



SAFETY PRACTICES AT MASEFIELD

At school, the safety and wellbeing of all children is always our highest priority.

Throughout the year, we regularly practise both evacuation and invacuation procedures so that children and staff know exactly what to do in different situations



WHAT IS AN EVACUATION?

An evacuation is when everyone leaves the building safely and calmly, for example in the unlikely event of a fire alarm.

WHAT IS AN INVACUATION?

An invacuation is the opposite of an evacuation– it means children and staff move inside the building and remain indoors safely if there is ever a concern outside the school grounds.

These procedures are practised in a calm, age-appropriate way so that children feel confident and reassured.

Staff carefully guide pupils through each practice, helping them understand the importance of listening, staying calm and following instructions.

By rehearsing these routines regularly, we can ensure that everyone is prepared and able to respond quickly and safely should the need ever arise.





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY

2nd - Summer Fair 3:40-5pm

3rd - Year 3 & 4 parent forest school sessions

7th - Year 4 trip to Hollingworth Lake
(8:45am depart, approx 4pm arrival back at school)

7th - Year 6 Production - 3.30pm

8th - Year 6 Production - 5.00pm

9th - Music Showcase - 9.00am

13th - Meet The Teacher - 3.30pm and 4.00pm

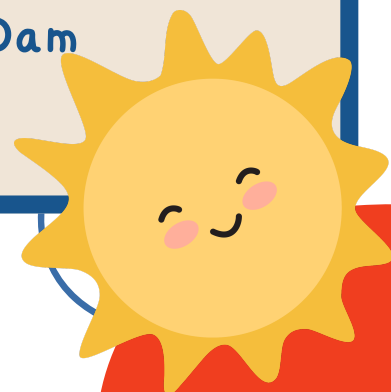
14th - Transition Day

16th - Nursery Graduation - 9.00am

16th - Presentation Evening (invite only) - 6.00pm

17th - Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 9.00am

17th - School closes at 1.30pm





UPDATED FREE SCHOOL MEAL ELIGIBILITY



Do you receive Universal Credit?

Did you know that from September 2026, families in receipt of Universal Credit will be able to claim for free school meals for their children?

To make this process easier, Masefield can do this on your behalf.

If you think that you are eligible, please complete a form from the school office or apply online through our Online Free School Meal checker at;

<https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>

More information on the changes can be found at;

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2025/06/expanding-free-school-meals-what-parents-need-to-know/>