



MASEFIELD NEWSLETTER

15TH MAY 2025



It's been another busy and exciting week here at Masefield, and the children never fail to amaze me. One of the highlights of my role is welcoming children who come to share their work. They are always so proud of what they've achieved and speak with such confidence and enthusiasm about their learning. With the sun shining, there's a real sense of energy across the school as we look forward to a fabulous end to the school year.



This week also marked a significant milestone for our Year 6 pupils as they completed their SATs. We couldn't be prouder of each and every one of them. Their hard work, dedication, and perseverance throughout this period have been outstanding. Beyond their academic efforts, they've shown real resilience and determination—qualities that will serve them well as they move on to the next stage of their education.

We would also like to say a huge thank you to you, our parents and carers. Your support, encouragement, and partnership have made a real difference. Together, we've helped our children feel confident, prepared, and proud—and for that, we are truly grateful.

Don't forget, you can see our day-to-day learning in action by following our Facebook page. Just search 'Masefield Primary School' to stay up to date with all the wonderful things happening across the school. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

MESSAGE FROM

MR DONE



HIGHLIGHTS

LEAD LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

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

Reception - Ellis & Emilia

Year 1 - Oakley B & Isabella

Year 2 - Mekhail & Sophia

Year 3 - Myla & Theo
Jacob B & Alvie

Year 4 - Louie H & Noah

Year 5I - Violet & Oliver

Year 5R - Isabella & Jacob

Year 6 - Archie & Chloe
Jacob & Ronnie

IN THE SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK...

Outdoor fun at Masefield

With the summer weather here, there has been a lot of exciting activities going on outside at Masefield. During their PE lessons with Miss Jones, classes have been on the field playing games of rounders, whilst during enrichment, forest school, orienteering and football have all been happening.

Please can we remind parents to send children in with a water bottle, hat and to have applied suncream before children come to school. If a child comes to school with suncream in their bag, they will be expected to apply this themselves.



VISION AND VALUE AWARD WINNERS

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

Reception - Harry

Year 1 - Sapphire

Year 2 - Lotus

Year 3 - Rossco & Jessica

Year 4 - Jaxon S

Year 5I - Jackson

Year 5R - Joseph J

Year 6 - Liam & Ronnie



READER OF THE WEEK

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

Reception - Harry & Esme

Year 1 - Angelica & Bonnie

Year 2 - Sophia & Theodore

Year 3 - Kyla & Lola

Year 4 - Louie & Matthew

Year 5 - Violet &
Muhammad Ibraheem

Year 6 - Ivy-Brooke & Daisy



TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS

Each week, 3 children from each class in Year 2 and above receive an award for 'the biggest increase in coins' on Times Tables Rockstars.

Knowing your times tables off by heart is so important – keep practising at home to win this award and certificate!



CELEBRATING SUCCESS

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



HIGHLIGHTS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Last week, Year 1 and Year 3 both went on trips to support their learning in RE.

Year 1 walked to St Matthews Church where they were met by Father Eloff who showed them around the church and explained all the different features.

Year 3 went to Bury Hebrew Congregation to support their learning about Judaism and their impeccable behaviour was commented on. They asked insightful questions and were engaged throughout. Not only did they explore the Synagogue but they also learnt about Kosher food, the Torah and the Ten Commandments.

VE DAY

On Thursday 8th May, EYFS celebrated 80 years since the end of the Second World War in Europe by hosting their own street party. There was party food and dancing and Nursery created their own Spitfires and sent them soaring over the playground.



CRICKET

After the success of the Year 3 cricket tournament in Darcy Lever, Lancashire Cricket Foundation are offering training sessions in Darcy Lever and Little Lever. Please follow the links for more information

Little Lever:

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/littlelever/Course/d2239093-7b52-4a32-837f-1b84231720cf>

Darcy Lever:

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/darcylever/Course/4c040aa4-bc83-4678-9149-e93d6268a739>

SUMMER FAIR

Masefield Summer Fair will be held on Thursday 3rd July from 3:40 - 5pm

If you are interested in holding a stall, please pick up a letter from the office.





ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Reception - 95.2%

Year 1 - 97.5%

Year 2 - 96.5%

Year 3 - 96.9%

Year 4 - 98.9%

Year 5I - 91%

Year 5R - 98%

Year 6 - 96.8%



ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Our attendance target for the year is 97%. This is still 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:

96.6%

OUR ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR TO DATE:

95.4%

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.

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

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 'Squid Games'. With themes of horror and violence, it's important for parents and carers to understand the potential risks posed to young audiences by the Netflix-exclusive TV show. The series, rated 15+, is about a world where contestants, who are deeply in debt, play children's games in order to win cash prizes. The show's popularity has meant that it has spread in various guises across online platforms, with a heightened risk of children and young people viewing unsuitable content.

SAFEGUARDING



Safeguarding Concerns

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child in Bolton, contact the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) immediately. You can also report concerns directly to Bolton Children's Services on 01204 331500. If you are worried about the behaviour of a member of staff, report it to the Head of School without delay. It's vital that concerns are shared—no matter how small they may seem—to keep children safe. In an emergency, always call 999.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, and your actions can make a real difference.

SUPPORTING LEARNING



Learning to Read – Our Phonics Scheme
Each fortnight we will share a video to support your understanding of our phonics scheme.
<https://www.rvthmiskin.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



Ditch The Baby Wipes.

Wet wipes do not biodegrade before reaching the sewer and are often ingested by sea creatures looking for their next meal.

Environmental impacts of bio-based eco-friendly baby wipes are 38% lower than petroleum-based wipes.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MAY

LET'S GO

ADVENTURE

5th May - school closed

6th - Year 1 trip to St Matthews Church

7th - Year 3 trip to Bury Hebrew Congregation

19th - Year 5 Trip to Zakariyya Jame Masjid Mosque

21st - Knowledge Day - 3.00pm

21st May - Year 2 trip to Tatton

21st May - Year 6 trip to Blackpool

JULY

2nd - Year 4 Trip to the Anderton Centre

3rd - Summer Fair

8th - Year 6 Production - 3.30pm

9th - Year 6 Production - 5.00pm

10th - Music Showcase - 9.00am

14th - Meet The Teacher - 3.30pm and 4.00pm

15th - Transition Day

16th - Creepy Crawly Dan in to visit Nursery

17th - Nursery Graduation - 9.00am

17th - Presentation Evening (invite only) - 6.00pm

18th - Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 9.00am

18th - School closes at 1.30pm

JUNE

11th June - Year 3 trip to Eureka

13-15th June - Year 6 PGL

17th - 18th - Year 5 London Trip

23rd - EYFS Sports Day - 10.00am

24th - KS1 Sports Day - 9.30am

24th - KS2 Sports Day - 1.30pm

27th - Macmillan Events and Bake Off

The dates for the May and Summer Holiday Clubs are as follows:

May Half Term: Tues 27th - Thurs 29th May

Summer Holiday: Mon 28th - Thurs 31st July & Mon 4th - Thurs 7th August

You will be notified in advance of other events which will happen throughout the year.



CHARACTER CURRICULUM



WHAT IS IT?

Our character curriculum is at the core of what is important to us and we aim to provide a wide range of learning opportunities and experiences. It is our desire that children and their families value their learning and seize all and any opportunity wholeheartedly, therefore we aim to ensure the offer to learn is strong in every classroom.

We aim to develop our pupils' characters through the growth of relationships that define us as human. Through our curriculum, we develop a set of competencies (behaviours) which enable each and every one of our pupils to lead a remarkable life.

Building character at home

Prepare and cook a meal with an adult	Join an out of school team / club	
Complete a crossword	Decorate my home for a special occasion	
Tell the time	Visit a museum	
Keep a diary	Keep my bedroom tidy	
Visit the beach	Ask an adult if they need help with a chore	
Peel vegetables with an adult	Visit a charity shop	
Do the washing up	Set the table and tidy the dishes away	
Get my uniform ready	Get myself ready for school without reminders	
Plan a meal	Read to somebody younger than me	
Play a board game	Tell somebody at home why I am grateful for them.	

Building character at school

Know 5 capital cities of the world	Take part in forest school	
Achieve Reader of the Week award	Receive the Kindness Lanyard and pass it on	
Name all 7 continents	I will represent Masefield at an out of school event	
Learn a Spanish song	Take part in a Rock Kidz concert	
Take part in a school competition	Name 5 different children's authors.	
Watch a production	Score 10/10 on my weekly spelling test	
Attend a whole school trip	Recommend a book to a friend	
Achieve the Lead Learner award	Know my 3, 4 and 8 times tables	
Visit a Temple	Design and sew my own bag in DT	
Visit Bolton Museum	Name 3 famous composers.	

WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

Each year, you will be issued with a 'Believe – Achieve – Succeed' character curriculum passport. Experiences are planned into the school curriculum as well as home learning. The experiences involve problem solving, research and most importantly life skills, which are all fundamental for pupil wellbeing.

Children are equipped with the skills and character to lead a successful life! Children will be encouraged to self-assess their competencies and their progress on this will be recorded in their passports. Academic achievement will increase as children will be more able to overcome difficulties and will value their education; behaviour will improve as children are more able to self-regulate and work with others and attendance will improve as families see the increased value of a healthy lifestyle and the importance of education.

SHARE YOUR SUCCESS



Don't forget to tick off your successes and share them with us on our Facebook site!



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THANK AND PRAISE

TAP

WHAT IS IT?

Thank and Praise (TAP) is a unique social thanking platform which enables people to send messages of thanks and appreciation to our staff quickly, easily and securely.

Showing your appreciation is a fantastic way to improve the mental well-being of all our wonderful staff and also makes you feel good too. Don't delay, send a message and brighten someone's day!

Here's just a handful of the beautiful messages we have sent and received...

To: Miss Rigby
Masefield Primary School,
Little Lever, Little lever

Thank you Miss Rigby for always encouraging the children especially in sports taking your own time to attend events after school hours. You are so amazing, nurturing, fair but firm.

Carolyn Dawson

To: Gemma Walton
Masefield Primary School,
Little Lever, Little lever

Thank you for always being a listening ear and a voice of reason. You always know what to say and how to help. Thank you for all that you do!

Zoe Illingworth

To: Mrs Murphy and the EYFS Staff
Masefield Primary School,
Little Lever, Little lever

For your hardwork and continued love and support, everything you do is really appreciated nothing is to much trouble and you go above and beyond to help the children thrive. You are the reason my little one is so happy to go in learning everyday and for that I can't thank you enough

Sinead Riley

To: Mrs Clark
Masefield Primary School,
Little Lever, Little lever

We would like to thank Mrs Clark for being amazing! Since our daughter started reception in September she has come on leaps and bounds! Nothing is ever too much trouble and always there to listen and advise. Thank you so much! X

Sophie Konuralp

To: Staff Team
Masefield Primary School,
Little Lever, Little lever

Thank you to all the amazing Team at Masefield. You all do an incredible job for our children.

Anonymous

To: Miss Tyrer
Masefield Primary School,
Little Lever, Little lever

Thank you Miss Tyrer for taking time out of your busy day to call me and discuss my daughter and listen to me and quickly took time to address concerns and speak to Ava much appreciated

Dee Anderson

To: Miss Illingworth
Masefield Primary School,
Little Lever, Little lever

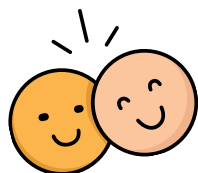
I would like to thank Miss Illingworth and all of the amazing staff at Masefield who have helped Jenson with the progress he has made up to now. As you know he struggled alot with his reading and writing, but he is now engaging in his lessons and I do not think he could have done it without of your patience and understanding. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

Siobhan Clark

To: EVERYONE!
Masefield Primary School,
Little Lever, Little lever

Thank you and well done to everyone involved in organising the fundraising for the defibrillator! Although we probably all hope, it won't be needed, having it there and ready to use will hopefully prevent us losing a loved one from our school community. "The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members." Coretta Scott King

Nicole Allcock



Click here to
send a message
of thanks to a
member of our
dedicated team

TAP to THANK

