



# MASEFIELD NEWSLETTER

23RD APRIL 2026



It has been a fantastic start to the summer term at Masefield, with a real sense of energy, enthusiasm, and positivity across the school. Over the past two weeks, our children have embraced a wide range of opportunities, showing great teamwork, resilience, and pride in all that they do. One of the highlights has been our TriKidz events for Years 1-6, where every child took part in a triathlon-style challenge. It was wonderful to see such determination, encouragement, and enjoyment from all pupils, with many pushing themselves beyond what they thought possible. Events like these not only promote physical fitness but also build confidence and resilience—qualities we value highly at Masefield.



We also enjoyed another successful Spirit Day, where children worked together in their house teams to make a positive impact within our school and wider community. Each house demonstrated their unique strengths and values: Sollevare celebrated their success with a well-earned bouncy castle reward, Amistad contributed to the local environment through litter picking, Isibindi became courage advocates, and Rêveur spread their house spirit across the school, turning it a sea of blue. It was fantastic to see such collaboration, creativity, and community spirit in action.

Alongside this, a number of sporting events have taken place, including swimming, dodgeball, and cross country competitions. Our pupils have represented the school brilliantly, showing excellent sportsmanship, determination, and teamwork throughout. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are looking forward to building on this strong start and making the most of all the exciting opportunities the summer term has to offer.

## 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 - Ruth & Ezmae

Year 1 - Prabkeerat & Roman

Year 2 - Stan & Louie

Year 3 - Joey & Jenny

Year 4 - Sammy & Isla

Year 5 - Isabelle & Lennox

Year 6T - Amelie & Evie

Year 6W - Harley & George

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK...

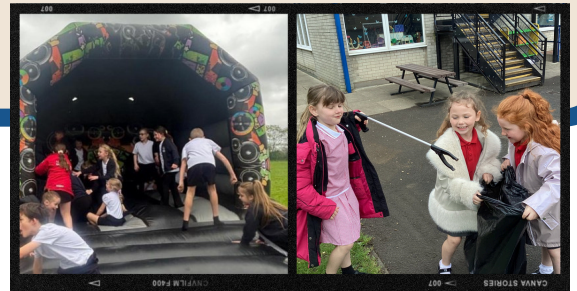
### House teams

Our house teams have been very busy since we returned after Easter.

Our Spring term House Team winners, Sollevare, enjoyed their well-deserved bouncy castle reward on Friday and what a fantastic time it was! Plenty of laughter, energy, and team spirit all around—such a great way to celebrate their achievement.

Over in Amistad, House of Friendship, the pupils showed what true community spirit looked like. Children in Years 1 to 3 took part in a litter pick around the school grounds, working together to keep our environment clean and safe for everyone. Students in Key Stage 2 continued the community spirit beyond the school gates, where they worked together to clear litter from the areas surrounding the school, showing real responsibility and pride in their local environment.

Well done to all students for your hard work, and especially to Team Sollevare for coming out on top!



## VISION AND VALUE AWARD WINNERS

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

Reception - Jaxson-James

Year 1 - Vincent

Year 2 - Naif

Year 3 - Theodore

Year 4 - Caprice

Year 5 - Daisy E

Year 6T - Rosie

Year 6W - Jacob



## READER OF THE WEEK

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

Reception - Jaxson-James

Year 1 - Zoe

Year 2 - Oakley B

Year 3 - Eddie

Year 4 - Whole class!

Year 5 - Nkateko

Year 6 - Imogen



## HOUSE TEAMS TOP SCORERS

Each week, a child from each of our Masefield Houses wins a spin of the wheel if they have received the highest number of house points. Well done to these children for following the Masefield Way consistently.

Amistad - Kyla (Yr4)

Isibindi - Hope (Yr4)

Reveur - Myla (Yr4)

Sollevare - Caprice (Yr4)



## CELEBRATING SUCCESS

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



# HIGHLIGHTS

## KS2 ENRICHMENT

Our KS2 enrichment sessions on a Thursday afternoon offer children the chance to experience different types of learning activities and this half term promises to be an action packed one!

In their enrichment sessions, Year 3 are stepping back into Ancient Egypt. Last week they explored the fascinating world of hieroglyphs and they loved learning how these symbols were used to communicate and had fun decoding and writing their own names using hieroglyphic letters.

In Year 5, they enjoyed their first orienteering session in the wonderful sunshine. They had fun identifying animals and their categories and then enjoyed a bit of football and fun on the outdoor gym.

Year 4 had a very busy first forest school enrichment last week, when they helped distribute the new bark and logs that had been donated. The children worked with Mr Allsop and Mr Done to spread the bark around the chicken area so that they have more areas to peck and explore.

They also started planting the pumpkin seeds which we can't wait to see grow over the coming months.

With SATs just a few weeks away, Year 6 have been working hard to make sure that they are prepared and have been revising and revisiting tricky topics and have shown great resilience and determination.

With Spanish, art, drama, boardgames and BWFC sessions also on offer this half term, our Key Stage 2 students will definitely be kept entertained and engaged on Thursday afternoons.



## TRI KIDS



Last week, Years 1-6 welcomed TriKids into school for PE lessons with a difference!

Using resistance bands for swimming, fixed bikes for cycling and laps of the playground for running, the classes completed their own triathlons.

From start to finish, the energy was electric, exciting, engaging, and full of fun! The children threw themselves into every part of the triathlon experience with enthusiasm and determination, truly embracing the challenge. It was wonderful to see their confidence grow as they swam, cycled, and ran their way through the activities.

We were proud not only of their fantastic effort, but also of their outstanding behaviour throughout the day. Their curiosity really shone during the Q&A at the end—such thoughtful questions and a real eagerness to learn more.

A huge well done to all of our Masefield children—you were amazing! And we can definitely say... we're all a little fitter now!



## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

### Summer 1 Half Term

Tuesday - Year 3&4 Tag Rugby

Wednesday - Year 5&6 Tag Rugby

Thursday - Year 1 BWFC Football Club  
Vocal band - Year 3-6

All clubs finish at 4:15pm



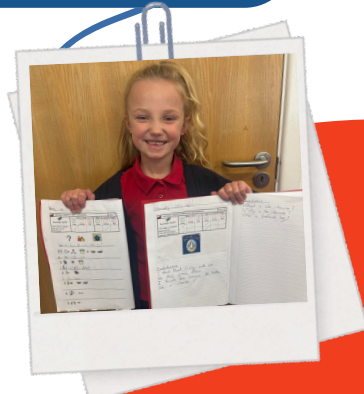
## SHOUT OUTS



A massive shout out to all the students who have competed in the sports events this week.

Our Year 5 & 6 teams have had a very busy week with a dodgeball tournament at St Matthews on Monday and a swimming gala at Ladybridge High School on Tuesday! In both competitions they showed fantastic determination and teamwork.

We also want to wish all of our Key Stage 2 cross country participants, good luck at the event at Mytham tonight. We are sure that they will represent the school with pride and show incredible resilience in this tough event.





# 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 28 & 29 - The Right to Education



Why do you think children have the right to go to school?

## 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.



1 -18 DEFINITION OF A CHILD	2 NO DISCRIMINATION	3 BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD	4 MAKING RIGHTS REAL	5 FAMILY GUIDANCE AS CHILDREN DEVELOP	6 LIFE, SURVIVAL AND DEVELOPMENT	7 NAME AND NATIONALITY
8 IDENTITY	9 KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER	10 CONTACT WITH PARENTS ACROSS COUNTRIES	11 PROTECTION FROM KIDNAPPING	12 RESPECT FOR CHILDREN'S VIEWS	13 SHARING THOUGHTS FREELY	14 FREEDOM OF THOUGHT AND RELIGION
15 SETTING UP OR JOINING GROUPS	16 PROTECTION OF PRIVACY	17 ACCESS TO INFORMATION	18 RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS	19 PROTECTION FROM VIOLENCE	20 CHILDREN WITHOUT FAMILIES	21 CHILDREN WHO ARE ADOPTED



# ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW



## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

- Reception - 95.6%
- Year 1 - 99.1%
- Year 2 - 97.6%
- Year 3 - 95.7%
- Year 4 - 93.9%
- Year 5 - 93.8%
- Year 6T - 97.2%
- Year 6W - 95.5%

## 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:

**95.9%**

OUR ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR TO DATE:

**96.4%**

## 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.

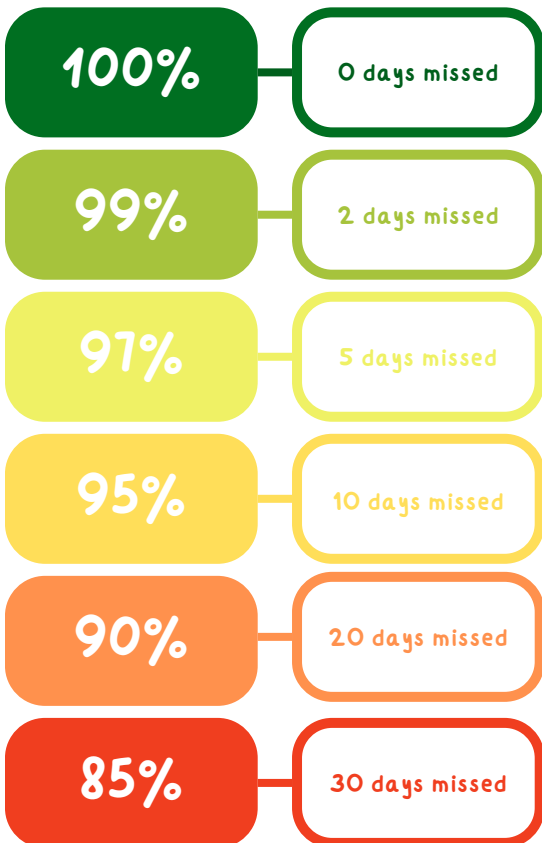
If there are concerns about how much time your child is missing, proof of medical appointments will be required.

## 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.

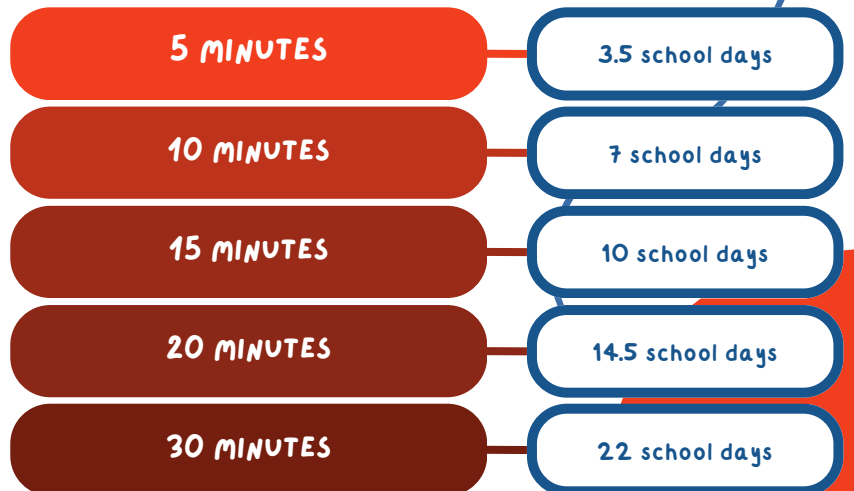
## Make each day count!



## Being on time really matters

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

You would lose approximately...





# TOP TIPS

## FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILD

### ONLINE SAFETY



This week's free online safety guide, provided by the National College, focuses on online challenges and trends.

Online challenges are popular on platforms like TikTok and YouTube, where users copy and share videos of trending activities. While many are fun and harmless, some can be risky, misleading, or encourage unsafe behaviour. Children may feel pressure to join in so they don't feel left out or to gain likes and attention, without fully understanding the potential consequences.

#### What parents can do:

Talk to your child about thinking critically before taking part in any online challenge. Encourage them to ask: Is this safe? Who started it? What could go wrong? Remind them they should never do anything that makes them feel uncomfortable or could put them in danger. Keeping an open dialogue and showing interest in what they're watching can help you guide them towards safer choices online.

### SAFEGUARDING



#### Keeping Children Safe on Bikes and Scooters

Riding bikes and scooters is a great way for children to stay active, but it's important they do so safely.

Here are some key reminders for families:

- Wear a helmet – a properly fitted helmet can greatly reduce the risk of head injury.
- Check equipment – make sure brakes, tyres and lights are working properly before heading out.
- Be visible – encourage children to wear bright clothing, especially in the evening or poor weather.
- Follow the rules – remind children to be aware of traffic, use crossings where possible, and ride in safe areas away from busy roads.

For more advice, families can visit the Think! Road Safety website.

### SUPPORTING LEARNING



#### 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



#### Make Use of Library Books

Before buying new books, take a trip to your local library. Borrowing instead of buying reduces paper use, saves money, and gives children access to a wide variety of stories.

It also helps build a love of reading while encouraging a simple, sustainable habit the whole family can enjoy.



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## APRIL

29th - Reception Assembly - 2.45pm



## JUNE

9th - Curious Critters visiting Nursery

12th-14th - Year 6 PGL

16th-17th - Year 5 London Trip

19th - Year 3 trip to Eureka!

23rd - KS1 Sports Day - 9:30am

23rd - KS2 Sports Day - 1:30pm

24th - Nursery Sports Day - 2pm

24th - Reception Sports Day - 2:30pm

24th - Class photographs

26th - Macmillan Events and Bake Off

30th - Year 4 trip to Hindu Mandir

## MAY

5<sup>th</sup> - Stopes Farm visit to Nursery

5<sup>th</sup> - Year 1 visit to St Matthews Church

5<sup>th</sup> - Year 3 visit to Whitefield Hebrew Congregation

6<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 trip to Chester

7<sup>th</sup> - Polling day (Nursery closed)

11th - 14th - Year 6 SATs

15th - Year 1 trip to Brockholes (new date)

18th - Year 5 trip to Zakariyya Jaam'e Masjid

20th - Knowledge Day - 2:50pm

20th - Year 6 trip to Blackpool

22nd - Year 2 trip to Smithills Hall

## JULY

2nd - Summer Fair

7th - Year 4 trip to Hollingworth Lake

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

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

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# FUNDRAISING CONCERT

# THE EDEN SINGERS

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hits!

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