



Masefield Primary School

Believe – Achieve - Succeed

Newsletter

28th March



Forgiveness Co-operation Equality Honesty Passion Resilience Gratitude Kindness

Message from Mr Done

It's been a wonderful end to the term. I was amazed with the egg-cellent egg designs from across school – the children have worked really hard on this and it was so difficult to pick a winner! We also had lots of leaders visiting from other schools this week plus our School Improvement Professional (SIP), all of which were blown away by firstly, how we have ambition for all - not putting a ceiling on learning, and secondly, the relentless rigour - sweating the small stuff. Our SIP commented on the expert teaching taking place in all classrooms, the high engagement of all pupils, the high-quality outdoor learning environments and the exemplary behaviour seen in all areas of school. Comments like this remind me of what a special place Masefield is.

I wish you all a happy Easter and Ramadan! See you all again on Monday 15th April 2024.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 28th March
School finishes for Easter at 3:30pm

Monday 15th April
School reopens at 8:40am

Thursday 18th April
Year 5 RE Trip

Friday 19th April
Aspirations Day

Monday 22nd April
Year 4 trip to Bolton Museum

Wednesday 24th April
Reception class Assembly

Monday 29th April
Year 3 trip Bolton Schools ICT

Thursday 2nd May
Polling Day
Nursery closed

Easter @MasefieldCP

What a cracking Easter Bingo and egg decorating competition we have had this year! Thank you for all the families who supported these events as over 200 tickets were sold for Easter Bingo and the egg entries were Egg-cellent!

Well done to all the winners, we hope you enjoy eating your winnings!



Knowledge Day @MasefieldCP

Another brilliant turn out for Knowledge Day last week, thank you to all that attended. The children really enjoyed showing their parents/carers all the amazing work that they have been completing over the last term.

Remember to check the Event Overview on the website and the Dates for your Diary section on the Newsletter for all the upcoming family events.



Reception @MasefieldCP

On Monday, Reception class went on a visit to Smithills Farm. They had an action packed day where they explored the working farm, handled different animals, saw the cows being milked and also went on donkey and tractor rides. They were very excited to meet all the animals and some new additions were welcomed during their visit, 2 baby lambs.



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ATTENDANCE

RECEPTION	95%
YEAR 1	93.98%
YEAR 2	96%
YEAR 3	96.57%
YEAR 4J	97.50%
YEAR 4R	95.83%
YEAR 5	94.47%
YEAR 6K	95.26%
YEAR 6R	98.50%

Attendance Update

Our **96%** target is still achievable this year if we all work together on ensuring children are in school EVERY day and not missing any learning.

Our attendance for the week is

95.72%

Our attendance for the year to date is

94.74%



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Appointments

We ask that medical appointments are made outside of school hours where possible. Where it is not possible to avoid this in school time you must notify the office beforehand.

Taking your child out in school time not only disrupts the class but also impacts their learning and attendance.

If there are concerns regarding the amount of time your child is missing then proof of all future appointments will be requested.



Holidays in Term Time

Holidays must not be taken during term time as this has an extremely detrimental effect on your child's education.

The long-term cost to your child's education of going on holiday in term time, far outweighs the short term gain of the holiday at the time. The £60 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. Children miss vital learning that cannot be repeated. It is widely acknowledged that mental health and personal well-being flourish when children have good routines and engage with their learning. Holidays in term time are disruptive on both counts. **I urge you to prioritise the long-term benefits of regular school attendance, over the short term impact of a holiday in term time.**





Lead Learner of the Week

RECEPTION	Roman C & Eden J Angelica J & Ellis M-C
YEAR 1	Lola H & Finley W Regan M-H & Aoife H
YEAR 2	Isla J & Annabelle M Annabelle M & Roman L
YEAR 3	Jaxon S & Jacob J Daisy E & Noah C
YEAR 4J	Gabriella O & Evie W Leo F & Oliver M
YEAR 4R	Alfie K Aila C & Bobby I
YEAR 5	Jessica B & Charlie H Eythan H & Jessica D
YEAR 6K	Poppy B & Ava F Poppy B & Luke H
YEAR 6R	Penelope A & Connell B Aidan G & Grace E

Readers of the Week

Each week we award children in each class for **REMARKABLE READING**. The following children have won a book to keep **FOREVER!**

- Reception: Isabella M & Gracie F
- Year 1: Theodore W & Regan M-H
- Year 2: Cody M & Jessica B
- Year 3: Daisy E & Hollie W
- Year 4: Aila C & Kayden P-B
- Year 5: Parker H & Beckah B
- Year 6: Winnie I & Grace E

Vision & Value Award

These pupils **always** show off our school vision and values. They have received Hot Chocolate & Treats with Mr Done!

- Reception:** Stan K & Olive T
- Year 1:** Grace H & Heidi H
- Year 2:** Penny M & Jacob B
- Year 3:** Ellie M & Caitlyn H
- Year 4J:** Muhammad Ibraheem M & Joshua E
- Year 4R:** James W & Alfie K
- Year 5:** India E & Jessica B
- Year 6K:** Hughie L & Mia H
- Year 6R:** Katie S & Bethany B

Celebrating Success

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



Congratulations to Lucy in Year 4 for becoming the most improved Rockstar in the TT Rockstar after school club! Keep up the hard work Lucy!

TT Rockstars

Each week 3 children from each class in Year 2 and above receive an award for 'the biggest increase in coins' on TT Rockstars. Knowing your times tables off by heart so important – keep practising at home to win this award and certificate!



Online Safety Tip

Welcome to our 'Online Safety Tip of The Week'. On each newsletter, we will provide you with some useful hints, tips, guides and fact sheets from the National Online Safety (NOS) website that you as parents and carers will be able to use to help keep your child safe whilst online. This week's free online safety guide focuses on [NGL \(Not Gonna Lie\)](#). NGL, which is aimed at children 13 plus, is an app through which users share a link to their Instagram story or Twitter account, inviting their followers to give anonymous feedback. The app includes some prewritten questions (such as 'if you could change anything about me, what would it be?'), plus an option to ask followers to simply 'send me anonymous messages'. All replies go into the user's NGL inbox, with the sender remaining anonymous, although subscribers can receive hints...



Safeguarding Tip

Young Carers

This week our safeguarding focus is on young carers. The term young carer is used to describe someone aged under 18, who helps look after a relative who has a disability, illness, mental health condition or a drug or alcohol problem. Most young carers look after one of their parents or care for a brother or sister. They do extra jobs around the house such as cooking, cleaning or helping someone to get dressed or move around. The pressure of looking after a family member can affect the young carer academically and socially, as they know they have extra responsibilities. If you feel that your child is a young carer or you know of another child who may be one, please make us aware so that we can help and support. There are many organisations locally and nationally that can also provide support,

Supporting your child

Learning to Read – Our Phonics Scheme

Each week we will share a video to support your understanding of our phonics scheme. Today's video is 'Sound blending'

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/LZiFaCX5/FHIMSZjA>

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 Top Tip

Air Dry Your Clothes

Not only is hang-drying better for the environment, but it's also significantly kinder to your wallet.

Depending on your dryer's energy efficiency, you could save between 20 and 60 pence for every hour you choose air drying instead. Over time, those savings add up – imagine what you could do with that extra money each month!





Character Curriculum

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.

All children have received paper copies of the character curriculum at the start of term. You can also find copies of all year groups on the school website.

Receive the Lead Learner award	Achieve Star of the Day
Receive the Kindness Lanyard and pass it on	Go for a walk around the local area
Correctly write the numerals 1-50	Visit Bolton Museum
Take part in a dress up day	Attend the gymnastics club
Receive the 'Reader of the Week' award	Represent Masefield outside of school in an event
Visit a church	Give a high five to a friend when they have achieved something in school
Visit Brookholme Nature Reserve	Lead an assembly with my class
Take part in a Rock Kidz event	Take part in a musical performance
Mix colours to create my own painting	Share my learning with a parent
Attend the whole school trip	I know my number bonds to 10



Help make my bed	Play a board game
Get myself ready for school	Travel on a train / bus / tram
Help to hang out the washing	Plant seeds / bulbs
Visit a library	Play in the snow
Pair up my socks	Collect for a charity
Make a daisy chain	Complete a jigsaw puzzle
Correctly say the days of the week	Tidy my room
Build a den	Hoover a room
Make a sandwich	Bake a cake
Climb a tree	Jump in a puddle

Share your experiences on facebook or twitter! @masefieldcp #MaseCharacter

Challenge: What have you achieved from your year group character curriculum this week?

Remember to tick if off and share in on Facebook or twitter (tag us in!)

More information:

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.



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Do you want to thank a staff member at Masefield Primary School?



TAP (Thank And Praise) is a social thanking platform for you to show your appreciation to the unsung heroes working at our organisation.



- Simply TAP to THANK at www.thankandpraise.co.uk or via the TAP App

“Using the TAP App is another way for our staff members to feel appreciated and strengthens the relationships between parents/carers and staff”

- Vicky Evans-Jones, Office Manager, Masefield Primary School

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