



Masefield Primary School

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Newsletter

28th September



Forgiveness **Co-operation** Equality **Honesty** Passion **Resilience** Gratitude **Kindness**

Message from Mr Done

It's been another amazing week at Masefield. It is always lovely to see how enthusiastic the children are towards their learning. It's been business as usual and I am so impressed with how the children have all settled into their new classes. I've been particularly impressed by our new children in Nursery and Reception who have been unusually brave as they adapt to their new surroundings. Please can I remind you that the outdoor classroom and forest school area must not be used before and after school due to health and safety. **Attendance remains a priority and we are currently below the national average – please ensure children are not missing out on their learning.**

Thank you for your support on our remarkable journey!

Dates for your Diary

Fri 29th September

Non uniform day
50p/ bag donation

Thursday 5th October

Year 5 trip to RHS Bridgewater

Tuesday 10th October

Hello Yellow Day – Wear yellow

Tuesday 3rd Oct

Nursery & Reception Phonics
Workshop (3:30pm)

Wednesday 4th Oct

Year 1&2 Phonics Workshop
(3:30pm)

Wednesday 11th October

Harvest Events

Wednesday 18th October

School Photographs
Art Showcase – 3pm

Year 4 Roman Experience @MasefieldCP

On Wednesday 20th September, Year 4 went to Chester to experience what life was like in the Roman era. They completed investigation tasks in the museum and took part in a workshop examining artefacts. The second part of the experience was visiting Chester city centre with a Roman soldier. Firstly they were inducted as a Roman Soldier and given a shield to carry, then they set out exploring the Roman Amphitheatre and learning about other Roman features of Chester.



Bolton Wanderers @MasefieldCP

Masefield students can now access free tickets to watch Bolton Wanderers. If you are interested, please contact the school giving at least a weeks' notice of which game you would like to attend.



School council @MasefieldCP

On Monday, the school council members went to visit the Mayor of Bolton at the Mayor's parlour inside Bolton's Town Hall. They found out all about the Mayor's role and then focused on their responsibilities this year.





ATTENDANCE

RECEPTION	97.10%
YEAR 1	97.6%
YEAR 2	95.33%
YEAR 3	92.21%
YEAR 4J	96.59%
YEAR 4R	93.68%
YEAR 5	97.05%
YEAR 6K	92.5%
YEAR 6R	95.75%

Attendance Update

Our **97%** 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

95.35%

Our attendance for the year to date is

95.39%



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.



**Be In SCHOOL
Be On TIME**



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	All of Reception
YEAR 1	Ivar S & Layla W Alfie B & Oliver M
YEAR 2	Isla J & Caprice S Rossco S & Tessie R
YEAR 3	Indie C & Asrafle U
YEAR 4J	Isabella M & Jake C All of 4J!
YEAR 4R	Amelia H & Lucas O All of 4R!
YEAR 5	Sophie M & Ivy Brooke G Alfie E & Liana T
YEAR 6K	Nevaeh W & Jake N Mia H & Jake N
YEAR 6R	Louie H & Harry W Marcus M & Korey G

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!**

Year 1: Jenny A
Year 2: Isla J
Year 3: Jake T
Year 4J: Joseph J
Year 4R: Adriana R
Year 5: Toby B
Year 6K: Ava F
Year 6R: Louie H

Vision & Value Award

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

Year 1: Grace H & Hollie K-B

Year 2: Miller T & Hope T

Year 3: Jacob J

Year 4J: Boe H-L & Evie W

Year 4R: Bobby I & Jackson T-B

Year 5: Sarah A

Year 6K: Luke H & Dylan D

Year 6R: Jasper V & Imogen L

Celebrating Success

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

Well done the students who took part in the Year 3 & 4 dodgeball tournament at Bolton Arena on Friday 22nd September. Miss Rigby was very proud of your efforts.



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

This week's free online safety guide, provided by the National Online Safety (NOS) website, focuses on an add-on to Snapchat, [SENDIT](#).

Although not a standalone application it is important that trusted adults realise that any risks associated with Snapchat also affect children using 'Sendit'. Within the app, people play question games like 'Truth or Dare' and 'Never Have I Ever': users select a question to share on their Snapchat story for their friends to reply to. All responses are anonymous, although - for paying subscribers - 'Sendit' reveals hints about who sent which message.



Safeguarding Tip

Safety around dogs

Here are 6 golden rules from the RSPCA for keeping your children safe and your dogs happy.

1. Never leave your child alone in the same room as a dog, even your own.
2. Teach your child not to approach dogs when they're: eating or having a treat, have a toy or something else they really like, are sleeping or are unwell, are injured or tired.
3. Don't let your child climb on dogs, pull their ears or do anything you wouldn't allow them to do to another child.
4. Play nicely and teach tricks. Teach your child how to play nicely with your dog.
5. Give your dog space if they need it.
6. Don't allow your child to approach a dog they don't know

For more information see the RSPCA website.

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 'How to say the sounds'

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/NrUv4iLQ/q4wE9BPP>

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

Every year, the Earth loses billions of trees from deforestation.

Trees are vital to our ecosystem as they help remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. You can help replenish trees by planting acorns (oak) or conkers (horse chestnut) around the edge of a local park or wasteland. Plant them about 10cm deep and cover them carefully. Nature will do the rest. You can go back after a few months and see if it has started to germinate.





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MASEFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY



Whole School Open Visits

(for parents/carers of prospective pupils)

Wednesday 8th November 2023

9.30-11.30am AND 13.30-15.00pm AND 15.30-16.30pm

Please come along to take a look around and experience our wonderful school.

"The pupils at the school are a delight. Their behaviour in lessons shows that they know what it means to be a successful learner."

"Strong relationships that pupils have with staff show that there is an atmosphere of mutual respect."

"Teachers' enthusiasm for reading and for teaching phonics is infectious."

"Progress at the end of key stage 2 is significantly above that seen nationally."

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We are very proud of our school and we can't wait to show you around!



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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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Chatty Words

Chatty Learning provides services and tools to help get children talking, reading and learning.

Chatty Toolbox software includes Chatty Nouns and Chatty Verbs which make the perfect early intervention tool to close the vocabulary gap for children who are struggling. This is also a perfect companion to Phonics as it targets comprehension and word understanding.

The toolbox provides a parent account for you to use at home with your child – the log in details are below.

Username: parent@masefield.co.uk

Password: masefield1

**Please follow the help guides on
the next two pages to access these
new resources**



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Parent Portal

Chatty Nouns – The first 180 nouns



chatty words



Teach

- Select Chatty Words
- Select Teach



Early Words 1



Early Words 2



Early Words 1 is the first 90 nouns and Early Words 2 covers the same categories with more challenging words.

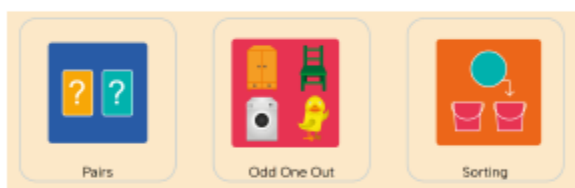
- Select Early Words 1 or Early Words 2
- Select a category to work on from the 9 displayed



The main teaching page gives you all your 'teaching' tools.

- First select Word Cards and use the spinner tool to talk about each of the nouns.

Modelling is key here - give your child as much information as possible until they develop the confidence to contribute.



Pairs

Odd One Out

Sorting

Games will help your child to remember the words that they have learned.

- Choose from the games at the bottom of the teaching page.



Word Map

In **Word Map**, you can see all the words in that category and level. If there is one in particular that your child is struggling with, fill in all the information with your child and print the screen so you can look at it regularly together - or put it on the fridge!



When you click the person icon you can access **settings** so that you can change the level of challenge for the Word Cards and games. You can also select to see the labels for the words.

Enjoy using Chatty Nouns!



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Chatty Verbs - The first 50 Verbs



- Select Chatty Verbs
- Select Teach



The verbs are organised in 5 groups. There are 10 words in each group.

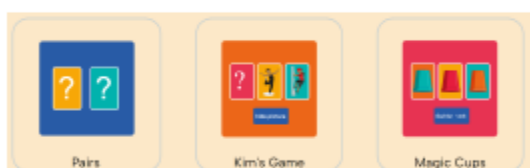
- First select a group of verbs to work on.



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Enjoy using Chatty Verbs!