



MAPS Newsletter: guiding you through life at our school!

Term 1, Edition 4 Week Ending 29th September 2017

This week we are making sure our attendance is as good as it possibly can be. Please read the parent booklet as a reminder about absence and procedures. Absence and lateness has a direct correlation with how well children do in school. Please ensure your child is in school, on time, every day. We are seeing more and more children coming in late. This has an effect on their day as they are entering phonics after the start of the lesson and then playing catch up for the rest of the day.



These are the children who were in school, on time every day this week, winning MAPSY Bear for the weekend! Well Done!

School Meal change: On Thursday 5th October we are doing an American Diner experience at lunchtime so the menu has changed. If you have ordered for your child and they would like to change their mind, please see Miss Carter in the office on **Monday morning**. There will still be the Jacket and sandwich option available as usual.

Main Meal	The greatest beef burger with tomato relish
Vegetarian Meal	The New Yorker quorn dog with onions, ketchup and mustard
Served with	Fries Corn on the cob House slaw BBQ beans
Dessert	Chocolate brownie with custard or Ice cream

Broadening Horizons: Scrapbooking with Mrs O – please can children in this group bring in 6 photographs to use in their session on Monday. Please be aware that these will be cut up and used so if you would like them returned, please let us know and we can photocopy them.

Reception parents:

Drop off/Pick up: Now that your children are settled into school life, please drop off and pick up at the classroom doors. We are trying to encourage independence within the classroom, hanging coats up etc.

Toys from home: Please do not let your child bring toys to school. This can cause upset if they get lost or if another child wants to play with it.

Tapestry: If you have not received an activation code for Tapestry, please contact Miss Carter in the office to set you up again. This is a great tool for seeing your child's progress in school and for you to add things they have done at home. **Special Visitors:** Over the next few weeks as part of our learning, the children will be visited by some external professionals who can teach us all about their jobs. The first visitor is coming on Tuesday next week – please ask your child/ren all about it!

Dates for your diary

Saturday 30th

September – Friends of MAPS Family Bingo.

12 – 2pm

Monday 2nd October

Tuesday 3rd October

- Special visitor in to see Reception children

Wednesday 4th October

Thursday 5th October

- American Diner Experience at Lunchtime

Friday 6th October

Coming up:

Monday 9th October – Tempest Photographs (individuals)

This Term's Virtue:

Respect

Our Christian Virtues



Words of the week: Please try and use these words at home over the weekend!

- Squirrels: **ecstatic**
- Hedgehogs: **absurd**
- Badgers: **penultimate**
- Foxes: **bamboozled**
- Lions: **diabolical**
- Tigers: **bandit**



Disabled Parking Bays: Please only use the disabled parking bays if you can display a blue badge. We have a few parent / carers with blue badges who are sometimes unable to park in the designated spaces. Thank you.

Earrings: Please ensure your child does not wear earrings to school on PE days. We are unable to remove earrings from children and if they are struggling to take them out, they cannot participate in the lesson.

Pencil Cases: Your child/ren do not need to bring their own pencil cases to school. We have all the equipment they need in school and this ensures all the children have the same equipment and individual's items do not get lost. In year 3, in particular, pencil cases are interfering with learning.

Pupil Premium: If you are receiving benefits you may be eligible for pupil premium. Please take a few minutes to apply online via <http://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/schools-and-education/Pages/free-school-meals.aspx> . All eligible pupils will receive free school meals in Year 3 and above and help towards the cost of trips etc for all years. If you are struggling to access the site, please see Miss Carter in the office for further assistance.

Contact with Teachers: We know it is difficult to catch the teacher at the beginning or end of the day. If you would like to contact your child's class teacher, please email them. All emails will be answered within working hours, within 48hours.

- Reception: ewright@malcolmarnoldprep.co.uk
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- Year 1: jsheard@malcolmarnoldprep.co.uk
- Year 2: rpeart@malcolmarnoldprep.co.uk
- Year 3: kbrown@malcolmarnoldprep.co.uk

- lblakemore@malcolmarnoldprep.co.uk
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Attendance this week:	
Reception Overall: 97.3%	Robins 99.3% Sparrows: 95.3%
Year One Overall 97.8%	Hedgehogs 98.3% Squirrels 97.2%
Year Two Overall: 98.3%	Foxes 98.7% Badgers 98%
Year 3 Overall: 100%	Lions: 100% Tigers: 100%

Attendance
Well Done to Lions and Tigers with
100%
attendance for the week!



Whole School Year to Date attendance:
97.4%

Crack down on lateness: Please ensure your child is in school on time. This week we have lost 537 minutes of learning due to lateness of children.

Every Minute Counts!



If your child is late they are missing out.
 If your child is regularly late it will affect their learning at school.
Give your child the best start to the school day by arriving before 8.45am