



Newsletter 24.01.25

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday! It has been another very busy week here at Masham Primary.

Attached this newsletter is a letter from Barry Khan of the Interim Executive Board (IEB) writing to you to provide you with an update on the status of the school's sponsored Academy Conversion. The Interim Executive Board (IEB) are now aware that a proposal for Yorkshire Causeway Schools Trust to sponsor the school will be considered by the Department for Education (DfE) in late February, although this has not been confirmed at this stage.

For more information, please find the letter attached from the IEB and in the meantime, if you have any questions, please address them to Mr Boyle, who will liaise with Interim Executive Board s and the Trust on your behalf.

Times Table Rock Stars Competition:

This half term, Masham Primary are taking part in an in-school Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS) competition. Each class is taking part to see who knows their times tables the best. The more each pupil accesses TTRS, the better as this will add to each classes' score. Every week Miss Lawton will update the school on each classes progress and score. These scores will be posted on the newsletter, Facebook and on a display in school. The winners will be announced at the end of this half term.

These are the current scores:

Burn Class: 243

Cover Class: 81

Keep on rockin' Masham!

Weekly Safeguarding Update – YouTube TV app is rolling out “Parent Code” for enhanced child safety.

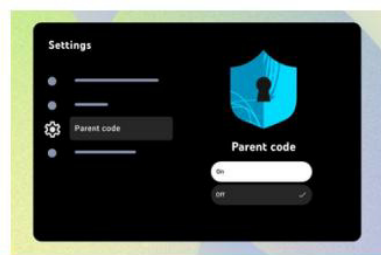


YouTube's new “parent code” feature helps parents control their kids' viewing on smart TVs. This four-digit PIN ensures children can only access appropriate content by requiring the code to:

Watch YouTube when signed out.

Switch to older family members' accounts (13+).

Remove accounts from the TV app.9



With YouTube phasing out the Kids app on smart TVs, this feature adds extra protection, addressing concerns about children encountering unsuitable content. Once available you can set it up by going to the YouTube TV app's “Settings” menu and select “Parent code.” The feature started to be rolled out from mid – December.

Have a lovely weekend.

Matthew Boyle, Head of School, Masham Church of England Primary School



‘Dates for your diary’

Blue text indicates occasions where parents and carers are warmly welcomed to attend

Other trips, visits and exciting activities will be added as the year goes on.

Friday	14.02.25	All	School Closes for half term @ 3.30pm
Monday	24.02.25	All	Children return to school
Thursday	06.03.25	All	World Book Day
Friday	14.03.25	All	Comic Relief
Friday	04.04.25	All	Easter Service 1.15pm @ St Mary’s Church
Friday	04.04.25	All	School closes for Easter @ 2pm
Tuesday	22.04.25	Staff	Training Day
Wednesday	23.04.25	All	Children return to school
Monday	28.04.25	All	Skip 2B Fit Day
Monday	05.05.25	All	School closed for May Day
Friday	23.05.25	All	School closes for Half Term @ 3.30pm
Monday	02.06.25	All	Children return to school
Monday	09.06.25	Year 6	Bewerley Park
Thursday	26.06.25	All	Sports Day AM
Thursday	10.07.25	All	Alternative Sports Day AM
Thursday	17.07.25	Year 6	Leavers celebration
Friday	18.07.25	All	Leavers Service 1.15pm @ St Mary’s Church
Friday	18.07.25	All	School closes for summer @ 2pm



Attendance

		Attendance Percentage	Days missed over a school year
Swinney –	98.26%		
Burn –	96%	100%	0 days
		95%	10 days
Cover –	87.22%	90%	20 days
		85%	30 days
		80%	40 days

Well done to Reception and Year 2 for 100% attendance this week

Whole school attendance is 94.26%

Superstars of the Week

- Swinney - **Iliza** – for being a kind classmate & helping her friends around school
Tommy – for trying hard to write the sounds in phonics this week
- Burn - **Alex** – for always being a kind member of Burn Class & always looking out for others
Isabelle – for gaining confidence in maths & being a focussed, independent learner
- Cover - **Varvara** – for always showing kindness to everyone, for always being ready to help everyone
Adel – for improving your writing and using some amazing language & phrases

Writer of Week - **Nancy**

Head Teacher Award – **William S**

Dojo Winners

- Swinney - **Jack**
 Burn - **Pippa**
 Cover - **Ben T**