



Newsletter 23.05.25

Dear Parents and Carers,

Good afternoon

I hope that everyone has had a lovely week and is ready for the half term. I am hoping that the beautiful weather continues into next week.

Sports Day

Throughout the year, school have been liaising with the organisers from the Long Course Weekend to organise activities for the pupils of Masham. The organisers from the Long Course Weekend have offered to host Sport Day for Masham and will bring a range of resources and activities. This is a fabulous opportunity to engage with the community and the Long Course Weekend and raise the profile of sport. However, in doing so, we will have to move the date of Sports Day to Tuesday 15th July. Parents and carers are welcome to spectate and their maybe even chance to join in.



Tooth Brushing and Fluoride Varnish Programme

Masham CofE Primary School is taking part in the Tooth Brushing and Fluoride Varnish Programme which aims to improve the dental health of local children. The programme is led by the Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership. The Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership will provide a dentist/therapist to come into school annually to check the children's teeth and apply fluoride varnish every six months. This dental assessment will not replace your child's usual check-up and you will be informed if your child needs to see your usual dentist before your next scheduled appointment.

The programme is based on parental consent and if parental consent is not received by the school, then your child will not take part in the scheme and your child's teeth will not be assed.

In your child's bookbag, you will have received a Consent Form, which must be completed and returned to school if you wish your child to take part in the Tooth Brushing and Fluoride Varnish Programme. The consent forms can be returned when parents want to sign up to the programme and pupils can be added to the list at any point. However, if you would like your child to be involved in the programme from the start, please ensure that the consent form is returned Monday 2nd June 2025.



For further details please read the information on the consent form, click on the link below to the Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership webpage or come and speak to your class teacher or myself.

<https://humberandnorthyorkshire.org.uk/new-oral-health-campaign-launched-in-humber-and-north-yorkshire/>

Relationships and Sex Education.

Attached to the newsletter is a letter explaining the relationships and sex education that the children will be receiving after the half term holidays. Please read the attached letter and if you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher or come and speak to myself.

Weekly Safeguarding Update

Essential Phone Settings Every Parent Should Know About

Did you know your child's phone has **powerful safety features built right in**—most of which aren't turned on by default?

These simple settings can help offer a bit more peace of mind and protection—whether your child is walking to school, out with friends, spending time online, or in an emergency.

Emergency Contacts & Medical Info

Make sure emergency professionals can reach you and access vital health details if your child's ever in trouble.

On iPhone: Health App > Profile > Medical ID > Edit Add allergies, meds, conditions + emergency contacts

Turn on "Show When Locked"

On Android: Settings > Safety & Emergency > Emergency Information Add emergency details and enable access

Location Sharing: Real time location helps you check in without needing to text or call, is used correctly.

On iPhone: Settings > Privacy & Security > Location Services > Share My Location, Enable My iPhone +family sharing.

On Android (Family Link) Install Google Family Link, connect devices and enable location under your child's profile.

Screen Time & App Limits



Built-in tools help manage how long your child spends on games, social media and other apps.



On iPhone: Settings ? screen time > app limits - you can also set downtime for device free time On

Android: Use Digital Wellbeing > Dashboard to view and limit screen time.

Or use Family Link to pause apps and set daily limits.



Content Filters and Parental Controls

Block mature content and manage app access.

On iPhone: Settings > Screen Time > Content & Privacy Restrictions

Restrict explicit content, websites and in-app purchases

On Android: Use Family Link to approve downloads and block websites. In the Google Play Store: Settings > Parental Controls

Two - Factor Authentication (2FA)

Adds a layer of security to your child's email, social media and gaming accounts. How to enable: Go to account settings in each app)Google, Instagram, TikTok etc Enable 2FA or Login Verification - Use recovery codes or an app like Authy or Google Authenticator

Emergency SOS Features: Teach your child how to quickly call for help—even with a locked phone.

On iPhone:

Press and hold side + volume buttons, or press side button 5x (based on settings). This can call 999 and share their location.



On Android:

Settings > Safety & Emergency > Emergency SOS - You can set it to call for help, send location and record video.

St Mary's Church

Are holding a Circus Activity Morning on Wednesday 28th May 10.45am – 12.45pm. The event will be held at the church and includes lunch. Have a try balancing on stilts, juggling, spinning plates, decorating plates and cakes. Songs and stories for younger children. Meet the clown. No set charge but donations welcome

Matthew Boyle

Headteacher

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	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
Tuesday	15.07.25	All	Sports Day. Time TBC
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

Swinney –	96.67%	Attendance Percentage		Days missed over a school year
Burn –	97.79%	100%		0 days
		95%		10 days
Cover –	94.12%	90%		20 days
		85%		30 days
		80%		40 days

Well done to Reception, Year 2 and Year 3 for 100% attendance this week

Whole school attendance is 96.28%

Superstars of the Week

- Swinney - **Halle-Rae** – for having the courage to keep going even when learning is tricky
Martha – for always being a model pupil and setting an amazing example for others
- Burn - **Etta** – for being brave with learning, putting up her hand and having a go
Laila – for quietly persevering with her work and always being on task
- Cover - **Varvara** – for sharing personal opinions and feelings about art. Your personal views were so mature
Lewis – for excellent algebra work and improving written narratives

Head Teacher Award – Dexter

Writer of the week – Herbie

Dojo Awards

- Swinney - Olivia
 Burn - Alex
 Cover - Adele