



Newsletter 06.09.24

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!

I hope that you and the children have all had a lovely summer and managed to enjoy the nice weather.

It has been a lovely first week back at Masham Primary this week and there has been lots going on. Firstly, I would like to say a big welcome to Mrs Smithson, who is the new class teacher in Burn Class. I have seen lots of smiley and happy faces in Burn Class this week. Burn Class have been doing lots of exciting learning such as making their own pen-pots and writing excellent poems titled 'What I didn't do in the summer holidays!'. I had the pleasure of reading some of these and they were very funny!

I would also like to welcome the children and families of our new reception children. All of the new members of Masham School have had such a fun week and I have loved listening to them tell me what they have had for dinner this week. As of next Monday, all of the Reception children will be in school full time.

Over the summer, there was some building work that went ahead in Swinney classroom where we knocked through a wall to allow a doorway between two classrooms. This has allowed the space for Swinney Class to be extended. We are all pleased with the outcome of this project and the space that it has created.

Parent Forum:

Myself and Jonny would like to host a parent forum on Thursday 26th September at 5pm. The focus of the forum will be to discuss the new curriculum and some of the other projects that are ongoing at school. This is also a fabulous opportunity for you to ask any questions.

Long Course Weekend

As you are all probably aware, this week is the Long Course Weekend. All of the children at Masham CofE Primary School have been given a free entry into the children's race at 8:45am on Sunday 8th September. If you are free this weekend, I recommend that you come along and pay a visit to the Masham Town Square.

Wilderness Working Group

The school is looking for volunteers to be part of our Wilderness Working Group. This is an opportunity for parents to help develop the wilderness area at the back of school. If you would like to be part of the Wilderness Working Group, please speak to Mrs Greensit in the office.



Weekly safeguarding update – Garden Safety

With it being the start of the new school year, we are all aware of the pressures that some children can feel with starting school or starting a new class. If your child does suffer from anxiety that is related to school. Please click on the link below for some of the reasons as to why this can happen and some top tips with how to try and support your child.

<https://ssslearning.co.uk/parentsandguardians/school-anxiety>

Mr Boyle, Head of School



Attendance

		Attendance Percentage	Days missed over a school year
Swinney –	97.16%		
Burn –	100%	100%	0 days
		95%	10 days
Cover –	92.76%	90%	20 days
		85%	30 days
		80%	40 days

Well done to Reception, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 who all had 100% attendance this week. Wonderful start to the new school year.

Superstars of the Week

- Swinney -** **All of Swinney Class** – for making a such a fabulous start to the new school year
- Burn -** **Eli** – for working his socks off with his silly summer poem
Shami – for always having a welcoming and friendly smiley and a positive attitude
- Cover -** **All of Cover Class** – for making such a fantastic start to the new school year.
Wilbur – for kindness and consideration towards everyone
- Lunchtime Award -** **Freddie** – for being a wonderful role model showing lots of patience at lunchtimes.