



Newsletter 04.10.24

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a really exciting week! We have had our School Council election week. All of the children went to vote for who they would like to represent their year group in the school council. This was a really exciting time as the candidates read out their manifestos to their class to try and convince their class mates that they are a suitable member of their year group to represent the School Council.

In the build up to the election, the children have learnt about democracy and voting and how democracy is one of the British Values that the children learn about in school. The School Councillor is represented by 1 child from Years 2,3,4, 5 and two children from Year 6. The School Council members were announced in Celebration Assembly and are below:

Year 2: Oliver

Year 3: Isabelle

Year 4: Pippa

Year 5: George

Year 6: Ben N

Year 6: Martha B

Before the half term, I will meet with the School Council and arrange an agenda for our future meetings and put dates in for the meetings. I will keep you informed of the School Council's progress.

Choir

Invitation for Masham Church Choir

We need two more singers for our Christmas concerts so we are inviting you!! Suitable for Year 2/3 upwards

If you would like to come along and sing with us please ask you parents to contact Ann Rudd ASAP

Our next rehearsal is on this coming Sunday 6th October at 9.55am and we would love you to come along and try it out. We always sing in church on the FIRST Sunday of the month but we do extra concerts in December with special songs that you would enjoy. Some of your friends may already be in the choir so you would feel quite happy straight away. I look forward to hearing from your parents very soon. Don't wait

– Christmas is on its way.

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The library and reading Volunteers

This year, school have invested in a library organisation tool called Reading Cloud. This system will help us to level and organise all of our books in the library so that children are choosing suitable books for home reading. Each child will be allocated a login so that parents and children can record what books that they have read and it will also recommend books that the child may like based on their reading level and their book history. Therefore, we are looking for volunteers to help us barcode all of our current books and organise our library. We are also looking for reading volunteers to read with the children in school. If you would like to volunteer in school, please contact Mrs Greensit in the office.

Weekly safeguarding update – Online Safety

In school this week, we have had a number of incidents relating to online safety outside of school. Therefore, I have added some guidance from the NYSCP website relating to Online Safety. This includes top tips for staying safe online.

Tips, advice, guides and resources to help keep children and young people safe online:

As a parent or carer you play a key role in helping your child to stay safe online. Below we have shared a range of resources from National sources to support you and your child to use the internet safely, responsibly and positively.

What are the issues?

The internet – on the whole is a positive place. It is a resource which enables children to connect, communicate and be creative in a number of different ways, on a range of devices

However, the internet is always changing, and being able to keep up to date with your children's use of technology can be a challenge.

You may sometimes feel that your children have better technical skills than you do, however children and young people still need advice and protection when it comes to managing their lives online.

Please click on the NYSCP link below for more information about keeping your children safe whilst online.

[NYSCP \(safeguardingchildren.co.uk\)](https://www.nyscp.org.uk/safeguardingchildren.co.uk)

Thank you and have a lovely weekend

Matthew Boyle
Head of School
Masham CE Primary School



Dates for your diary

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

Thursday	24.10.24	All	Flu Vaccinations
Friday	25.10.24	All	School closes for half term @ 3.30pm
Monday	04.11.24	All	Children return to school
Monday	04.11.24	All	Parents Evening
Thursday	07.11.24	All	Parents Evening
Friday	15.11.24	All	Children in Need Day
Thursday	12.12.24	All	Pantomime
Tuesday	17.12.24	All	Christmas Crafts and Dinner Day
Friday	20.12.24	All	Christmas Service 1.15pm @ St Mary's Church
Friday	20.12.24	All	School close for Christmas @ 2pm
Monday	06.01.25	Staff	Training Day
Tuesday	07.01.25	All	Children return to school
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

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



Attendance

		Attendance Percentage	Days missed over a school year
Swinney –	96.52%		
Burn –	99%	100%	0 days
		95%	10 days
Cover –	92.11%	90%	20 days
		85%	30 days
		80%	40 days

Well done to Year 1, Year 2, and Year 3 for 100% attendance this week

Superstars of the Week

Swinney - **Olivia** – for being a super role model to others in our class this week

Herbie – for making a wonderful start to his Alien story using super vocabulary and ideas

Burn - **Jessie** – for being a more independent learner and sharing her ideas

Alex – for always showing excellent & enthusiastic learning behaviour

Cover - **Varvara** – for your amazing attitude & for constantly striving to achieve

George – for excellent handwriting

Writer of the week - Herbie

Dojo Winners

Swinney - Martha

Burn - Isaac

Cover - Rory