



Newsletter 14.02.25

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy half term! Well, it has been another busy and eventful but extremely positive half term here at Masham Primary. When we return to school after the break, we will have received the letter from our latest Ofsted monitoring visit and I look forward to sharing this with you. Have a lovely break and I look forward to seeing you on Monday 24th February.

Goodbye from Mr Davies

This has been my last week supporting here at Masham as the Executive Headteacher. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here over the past 10 months, and I will greatly miss the children, staff and families. I would like to think that it has been positive 10 months for the school, and I end my support for the school with a sense that things are very much moving in the right direction. My role at Masham has been to provide strategic leadership and support, primarily for the Head and for the Interim Executive Board. I know that I leave the school on the right trajectory and in the very capable hands of Mr Boyle as the Headteacher, who continues to work hard alongside the team to provide the very best for the children of Masham. I have enjoyed getting to know you all, and I look forward to seeing from afar Masham go from strength to strength over the coming years. I wish you all the very best for the future.

Jonny Davies

Long Course Weekend Legacy Programme:

I am delighted to share with you that Masham will be continuing to work with the Long Course Weekend (LCW) as part of their Legacy Programme. This is a very exciting journey for both the LCW team and for all of us here at Masham. We have some very exciting projects coming up over the next term and a half. As part of their continued support, the LCW team have donated £500 to school which will be used to enhance the curriculum and the opportunities that we provide for the children of Masham CofE Primary School.

Please click on the link below to see the press release from the Long Course Weekend Legacy Programme team.

<https://www.instagram.com/p/DF8EAajzVK8/>





EYFS Outdoor area Press release

Swinney Class have been enjoying the new outdoor area this half term with the new and improved space and the new equipment. Please see a local press release that celebrates the new area and the opportunities that it is providing our children.

<https://thestrayferret.co.uk/news/latest/masham-school-opens-revamped-play-area>

Weekly Safeguarding Update – Child Mental Health and Wellbeing

Maintaining good mental health is just as important as having a healthy body. It affects the way children think, feel and act. As a parent, you play an important role in promoting your child's mental health and recognising when there may be early signs of difficulties.

But how can you promote good mental health?

Put simply, you can do this by:

- being aware of the things you say and how you speak to your child;
- clear and positive actions;
- through the environment you create at home

To find out more and how you can support children's mental health at home, please click on the link to learn more:

<https://ssslearning.co.uk/parentsandguardians/child-mental-health-10-tips-for-parents>

Have a lovely half term and I look forward to seeing you all on the first day back.

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.

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 –	97.08%	
Burn –	99%	0 days
Cover –	100%	10 days
	95%	20 days
	90%	30 days
	85%	40 days
	80%	

Well done to Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 for 100% attendance this week

Whole school attendance is 98.55%

Superstars of the Week

- Swinney - **Klai** – for being kind & helpful around our classroom this week
Oliver – for always having a hardworking & positive attitude towards learning
- Burn - **Jessie** – for being a good friend & always being kind
Elliot – for having a positive week & producing some great writing
- Cover - **Poppy** – for always being thoughtful & kind to everyone at school
Ethan – for great effort in his writing & maths. Also, for improving reading comprehension

Writer of Week - **Isaac J**

Head Teacher Award – **Ben T**

Dojo Winners

- Swinney - **Klai**
 Burn - **Izzy**
 Cover - **Dan**