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MALMESBURY NEWSLETTER



COMING UP...

Y3 Soane Centre trip:
Tuesday 7th
Yorkists/Wednesday 8th
Lancastrians

**Y6 Junior Citizenship
trip:** Wednesday 8th
October

**Nursery Parent
partnership:**
Thursday 9th October

Gorsefield Y5 day trips:
13th and 14th October

**Y6 Gorsefield
residential:**
Wednesday 15th to
Friday 17th October

Half term: Thursday 23rd
October. Autumn 2
starts Monday 3rd
November

Please keep checking schooling
important information and dates.

NATIONAL POETRY DAY....

We love National Poetry Day at Malmesbury. We celebrated this year's on Thursday 2nd October with children performing poetry in class and in assemblies right across the school.



Why is poetry such an important part of our learning?

Recent 'National Literacy Trust' research found that: 'Children and young people who read, watch or listen to poetry identified significant benefits for their wellbeing, confidence, aptitude for learning and empathy.'

Poetry also gives children their voice, builds their vocabulary and encourages playfulness with language.

2025's theme is play. It encouraged pupils to play with poetry, think about what play means to them, and how both structure and content can be inspired by the world of play.

Our class poems were inspired by this year's theme.



Scan the QR code to hear Ms Stewart's favourite poem by Michael Rosen.



We have great relationships with our local schools, including Phoenix School. Phoenix is an outstanding special school, who work with autistic children and young people. They have very kindly offered parental places for a day on Thursday 9th October.

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Journeys of Advocacy & Celebration

Join us for an inspiring morning with:

- ☀️ **Reena Anand** – Writer, speaker & advocate for cultural inclusion in neurodiversity
- ☀️ **Keith Duffy** (Boyzone star & autism advocate) – Sharing his lived experience as a parent of an autistic young adult

Event Schedule

- 10:00 – 10:30 | Arrival & refreshments
- 10:30 – 11:15 | Presentation by Reena Anand
- 11:25 – 12:10 | Presentation by Keith Duffy
- 12:15 – 12:30 | Q&A session
- 12:40 – 1:00 | Introduction to Opogo Education's online training platform

How to attend
Location: Training Suite, Phoenix Upper School, South Site, Paton Close, London E3 2QD.
Please email training@phoenix.towerhamlets.sch.uk to confirm your attendance.

THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

This week: 96.04%

Y4 Elizabethans: 99.30%

Y3 Lancastrians: 99.29%

Y1 Saxons: 98.80%

Can children come to school with a cough or a cold?

Yes. Coughs and colds are common in children. They are particularly common at the start of terms when children mix together. We will always send children home if they are too unwell to be in school.

We will also teach children good hygiene if they have a cough or a cold.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

It was great seeing some of our parents/carers on Monday's coffee morning. A couple of families have asked how they can donate. This can be done through our QR code. We will add Monday's cash donations to the total shortly.

Art in Action: Y3 Drawing with Charcoal

Our Y3 children are loving their new art unit. Here they are doing charcoal cave drawings in the playground.

Here too is Max's charcoal action figure character - can you see how he has used a torch to create shadow before setting him in an imaginary world?

