

MALMESBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter: 3rd November 2023

Dear families,

Autumn is definitely here with lots of conversations and learning around the change of season.

This is a really exciting half term for us in school with plenty to pack in and celebrate. We've got off to a great start back this week: I have seen Y2 children making pizza bread for DT/English, Y6 poetry performances, nursery children enjoying imaginative role play. We have also been looking, with teachers, at children's maths books to check on our maths teaching and learning progress.

We are looking forward to sharing information about your child's progress in our parent-teacher consultations.

Also coming up shortly: Diwali, Anti-bullying week and Children in Need - more information to follow in the next couple of newsletters.

As you will see on twitter @malmesburypri our year 4 children are currently learning to swim in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Pool in Stratford. This is a two week block of lessons in the pool designed by the architect Zaha Hadid for the London 2012 Olympics. By swimming every day our children are making accelerated progress with an important part of our PE curriculum. They are also hopefully being inspired by the Olympic park itself - a brilliant spot on our doorstep!

This week's attendance

— working together to make every day count....

Windsors	90%
Edwardians	91%
Victorians	93%
Georgians	96%
Stuarts	94%
Lancastrians	93%
Tudors	85%
Yorkists	98%
Vikings	98%
Normans	93%
Lionheart	88%
Danes	95%
Saxons	91%
Romans	94%
Green Dinos	96%
Red Dinos	90%
Orange Dinos	74%
Blue Dinos	88%



Coming up....

Mon 6th: parents' maths group (am)

10:30am Toddler group

Tues 7th: Reception parent partnership morning (9am in school) + zoom session online at 4:45pm.

Weds 8th: Y2/3 cinema trip to the O2.

Thurs 9th: Y2 London Eye trip

Other important date:

Monday 27th November - INSET day. School closed to children.

Friday 22nd December - last day of term. School reopens to children on **Tuesday 9th January**. (Dates on our website). Please book any holiday during this time to avoid children missing school.

Staying safe as we head into winter....



As the mornings and evenings get darker, it is important that we keep our children and each other safe.

Our children need to be seen as they arrive and leave school. Many now have lovely warm coats - thank you. These are often in dark colours. Please check your child has something on their coat, bag, bike or scooter which is reflective so they are clearly visible.

We will also work with our older children to ensure they are aware of how stay safe if walking home alone: avoiding using mobiles/headphones whilst walking etc. Please do reiterate these messages to children, as appropriate, at home.

Finally, we are fortunate that Coborn Street is a school street, this helps to keep the front of the school safe. If you are driving, we ask for your help in keeping our children safe in the nearby streets: particularly when dropping off/parking near the Coborn Rd/Morgan St junction. Our children need safe places to cross the road and be easily seen.

