



MAGDALEN GATES PRIMARY



Weekly Newsletter

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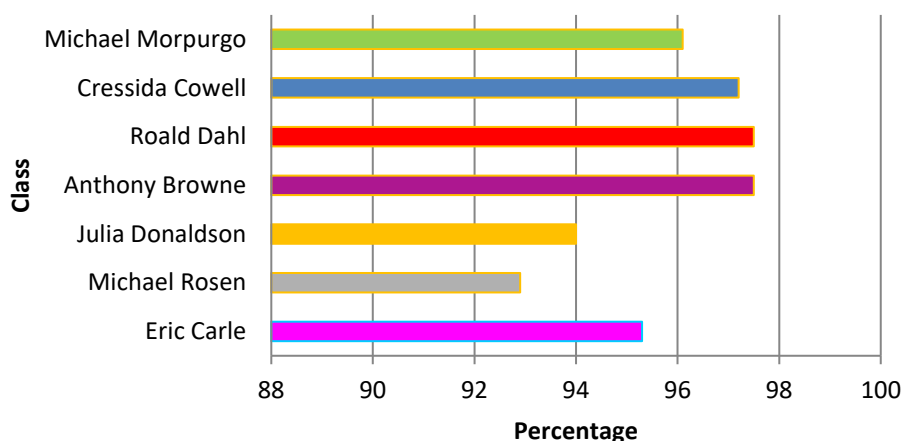
P4C question:

What do you think is the best age to be and why?

Attendance

Well done to **Years 3 & 4** who BOTH received **the £10 in assembly on Friday**. Their attendance for the week was 97.5%

Weekly Attendance Percentage



Whole school attendance was 95.8%

PE Provision and Importance of being Active Leaflet

The department is doubling the funding that primary schools receive to improve the quality of their PE and sport provision from £160 million to £320 million a year – for us this means a grant of £18,200. Please have a look at our Sports Premium action plan on the website: <http://www.magdalengates.norfolk.sch.uk/key-information/pupil-sport-premium/sport-premium/>. Mrs Bennett our PE Lead Teacher will be sending home a questionnaire shortly to gather feedback on the types of clubs parents would like us to offer.

Please find attached a leaflet which informs parents about the benefits of being active.

Bags to School

Your child will be coming home this evening with a Bags to School collection bag. We all have clothing in our wardrobes that we haven't worn in ages! In a world full of fast fashion, we now have a lot of stuff – but when it comes to a clear out, what do you do to make sure the environment comes off best?

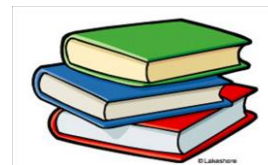
Bags to School cannot collect duvets, pillows and cushions, or very soiled, painted ripped or wet clothing. The rest you can pop in a bag knowing that you are helping raise funds for your child(ren)'s school. Collection is on Wednesday 21st February so you have plenty of time to rummage through your wardrobes! – Remember the more we collect, the bigger benefit to our school – Thank you.

Health and Safety Governor

Our Health and Safety Link Governors monitored our “lock down” drill last week. They were impressed by how calmly and effectively the children and staff responded to this. Our next planned drill will be in the Summer Term.

School Library

Miss Austrin is doing a fantastic job as our school librarian and has totally re-vamped our provision and it really does look amazing. Each child is allowed to borrow one book and all classes generally have the opportunity to visit the library with their class every week to select, renew or return books.



The library has a wonderful assortment of both fiction and nonfiction books for the children to explore and enjoy. We would like to keep it exciting for the children, by making sure we always have a full and varied selection. We ask for **your support** by ensuring that your child looks after any library books taken home and that all books are returned to school by the end of each term.

At the end of each term, a fixed amount of £5.00 will be charged for any books that are lost, damaged or not returned to the school library. Thank you for your support.

SENCO spotlight

Elaine Anderton is our SENCO. Her passion is supporting children to ensure that they can achieve their very best. If you would like an appointment with Elaine, please don't hesitate to get in touch with the school office.

Parents invite to lunch

Our school dinner menu is very popular with children and staff and we would like to invite parents/carers or grandparents to come and join us for lunch with your child on the dates below. This will give you the opportunity to taste the delicious meal for yourself as well as experiencing lunch time at our school. Even if your child usually brings a packed lunch we would still like to invite you to come and eat your packed lunch with them too. For ease we have provided you with the menu choice beside the weekday for your child's class. Please note that parents can choose to opt for a jacket potato and salad instead of the set meal.

It is important that you let the school office know as soon as possible if you would like a lunch. Please note lunch times start at 11.55am for EYFS & KS1 and 12:30pm for KS2 pupils.

- Mon 19th Feb -EYFS & Yr5 Sausages, creamed potatoes, peas, carrot & gravy or (V) sausages – flapjack or fruit
- Tue 20th Feb – Yr2 & Yr4 Mild Chicken Korma with rice, broccoli and naan bread or (V) sweet potato and mixed bean casserole – fruit or chocolate oat slice
- Wed 21st Feb – Yr1 & Yr3 Meatballs with pasta in a tomato sauce, sweetcorn, salad and herby bread or (V) vegeballs with pasta – jam sponge & custard or fruit
- Thr 22nd Feb – Yr6 Roast Pork with roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding, cabbage, carrots and gravy or (V) quorn fillet – seasonal fruit salad or piece of fruit

Payment for all adult meals is required **IN ADVANCE**. A two course meal costs £2.76 and the jacket potato option for adults is £2.50. Please pop in and see Jill in the office as soon as possible – last date for adult orders is **THIS FRIDAY – 2ND February**. Thank you.

High5/Multi Sport - Parent Collection - IMPORTANT

Please can we ask that all parents of the High5 and Multi-Sports clubs wait **outside** the school building when collecting from these sessions. This is due to safeguarding of our pupils who are attending the After School Club and use this corridor to gain access to the toilets.

Staff of the High5/Multi-Sports club will now bring the children outside to parents/carers at the end of the session. Thank you for your co-operation. ***“Safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility”***

Tapestry Baking Challenge

Here are our 4 winners from the Tapestry Baking Challenge set by Ms Fahy over the Christmas holidays. Last Friday they spent time with Mrs Cooper making a delicious banana and chocolate cake....



Break Time Snacks and a few little reminders

Just a reminder that only healthy snacks should be brought into school for break-time. Fruit, vegetables or a non-sugary cereal bar are preferable. We would also just remind parents that chewing gum is not allowed at school.

We have had some recent incidents at breaktime with some KS2 students losing their money to pay for a hot snack. We would ask parents help to ensure their child’s money is placed in a purse or a money bag to help keep the pennies safe.

WOW Brick

We have been having some amazing WOW nomination bricks recently. We were pleased to hear that Ines in Yr5 passed her Lamda Musical Theatre exam with flying colours. Well done Ines!



Diary Dates – January 2018

Tue 30 th	Yr5	9am	Visit to library – Art workshop
Wed 31 st	Yr6	All day	Trip to Norwich Castle
	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Boosters
Thr 1 st Feb	KS2	9am-10am	Sit and See session
Fri 2 nd	EYFS	12:30-2pm	Happy Smiles visit
Mon 5 th	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Boosters
Tue 6 th	EYFS & Yr2	1:45-3pm	Dogs Trust Workshop
Wed 7 th	All	All day	School Diversity – History of Norwich
	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Boosters
Thr 8 th	Yr4	2-3pm	Maths Café
Fri 9 th	EYFS & KS1	12pm-3:05pm	Celebration of Chinese New Year

Attachments -

Open Venue Half term activities

Puppet theatre flyer

Bags to School

Being Active flyer