



MAGDALEN GATES PRIMARY



Weekly Newsletter

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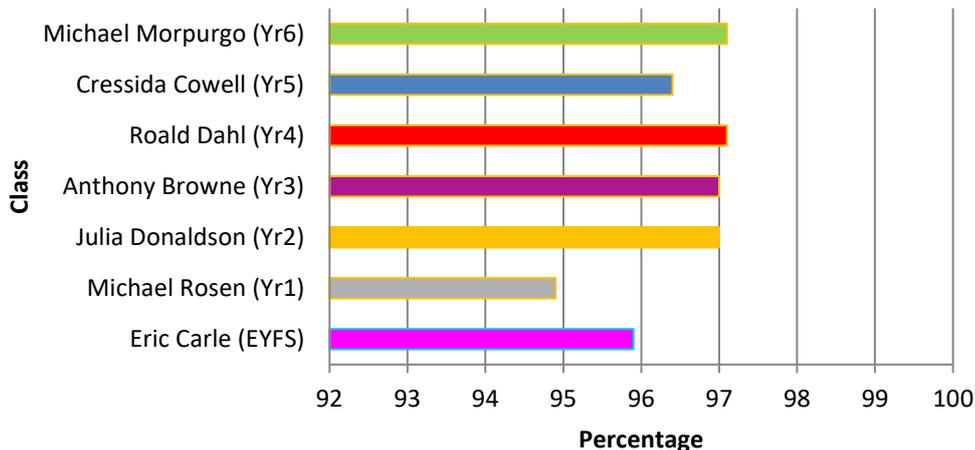
P4C question:

Why do people shout when they go outside?

Attendance

Well done to **Yr4 & Yr6** who both jointly received the £10 in assembly.

Weekly Attendance Percentage 23rd - 28th March 2018



We still strive for a 100% attendance day and school officially starts at 8.45am – late arrivals after the bell has rung are marked as an L in the register.

School playground needs to be vacated by 4pm after school please.

Whole School attendance percentage for the week was 96.5%

Welcome Back

I hope everyone had a great Easter holiday – the weather was a bit of “mixed bag” but hopefully you enjoyed the sunshine over the weekend. This is a busy term with lots of great events to look forward too and although we do try and keep parents well informed with information texts, please keep an eye on the diary section of the newsletter as sometimes events do have to be rescheduled.

I do truly believe in working in partnership with parents: my door is always open for parents to pop in and have chat – Miss Fahy

Ofsted Report

Thank you to everyone who completed ParentView and the inspection text message service as part of our Ofsted inspection before the Easter holidays. As always, our children were amazing on the day of the inspection and lots of Headteacher stars were awarded to recognise this. We are still awaiting our validated report from Ofsted; as soon as we have this, a letter and a copy of the report will be sent home to every family.

Important - School Money – Online Lunches

We would like to thank you all for your patience and understanding whilst we are getting used to the new Schoolmoney ordering and payment system. Just to confirm that when logging into the new system you will need your **phone number, email address, password and your child's first name with a capital letter as held on the school management information system**, if any doubt please call us to check your details. **Even the children in EYFS/KS1 who have free school meals or those that receive universal free school meals still need to order their choices online. Today we have had 38 children in EYFS & KS1 and 17 in KS2 whose parents had not ordered their child's lunch. P**

Once in the system it will guide you through the process, but if you are having problems there is a user guide on our school website under 'Schoolmoney' in the Parents section which might help you solve the problem.

Some parents have been having problems with the App, if this persists past this week we will raise the issue with Schoolmoney on your behalf but please bare with us during this transitional phase. You can also log on through your phone browser using www.eduspot.co.uk and then selecting parental log in on the top right hand drop down bar.

Finally, if you have tried all the above and cannot log in, please come and see us in the school office and we will be please to help you, or you can give us a call and we will try and log in for you.

General Data Protection Regulation

We need to hold personal information about your child on our computer system and in paper records to help us with their educational needs. Miss Fahy is responsible for their accuracy and safe-keeping. Please help to keep your child's records up to date by informing us of any change of circumstances.

School staff have access to your child's records to enable them to do their jobs. From time to time information may be shared with others involved in your child's care, if it is necessary. Anyone with access to your child's records is properly trained in confidentiality issues and is governed by a legal duty to keep their details secure, accurate and up to date. All information about your child is held securely and appropriate safeguards are in place to prevent accidental loss.

In some circumstances we may be required by law to release your child's details to statutory or other official bodies, for example if a court order is presented, or in the case of public educational issues. In other circumstances you may be required to give written consent before information is released – such as the educational reports for insurance, solicitors etc.

To ensure your child's privacy, we will not disclose information over the telephone or fax unless we are sure that we are talking to you - the parent/carer. Information will not be disclosed to family and friends unless we have prior written consent and we do not leave messages with others.

Learning Behaviours:

This term will be consolidating all of the learning behaviours that we have focused on this year. These behaviours are: *showing resilience; being an active and motivated learner; taking risks with learning; being a reflective learner; and being creative.*

A certificate will be awarded to one member of the class each week for demonstrating one or maybe all (!) of the learning behaviours above.

Mad Hair Day & Easter Coffee morning

How lovely that so many pupils embraced the school's Mad Hair Day on Friday 23rd. We raised a massive £82.24. We also held an Easter Coffee morning which was well attended and with the sale of raffle tickets, we raised £119.35. A big thank you to EVERYONE who helped and contributed towards these two events from raffle selling to making/selling and buying cakes.

Victoria Arnull – Piano, Clarinet, Flute and Saxophone

In a recent newsletter Victoria Arnull accidentally gave out an incorrect contact number. Should any parent wish to make contact with her regarding music lessons for their child please use email address victoria.arnull09@bathspa.ac.uk Tel: 01493 494111 or mobile 07772652587.

School Library

We would like to thank Nicki Collins who, whilst recently speaking with our Librarian Jenny, discovered that the KS2 school library didn't own a single Bible. Nicki believed that the local churches might be able to fund payment for these. Just before Easter, she came back into school with 6 new Bibles donated from the Norwich Central Baptist Church and St Mary Magdalene Church. We would like to express our thanks to both Nicki and the churches for this very kind donation.

Tapestry Easter Challenge

Thank you for all your entries over the Easter Holidays for the Egg-citing Easter Challenge that Miss Fahy has set. We have decided to extend the deadline until Thursday of this week. So please carry on sending in photos of your child completing an activity with an egg.

Refugee Event

This Friday is an optional non uniform day (suggested donation £1) as we are raising money for the Refugee Charity, New Roots who are focusing on overcoming adversity and integration within the local community. New Roots will be coming into school on Friday morning to hold an assembly. Your child is welcome to come into school this Friday wearing Yellow and Green clothing.

Spotlight on Donna Goose



I started working at Magdalen Gates School in 2008 as a midday supervisor. In 2016, I started volunteering in KS2. Initially this was just going to be in the mornings, but I soon discovered that I really enjoyed being at the school. I especially like listening to the children read, helping on trips and supporting them in class. Soon, my mornings turned into volunteering for most full days! With all of my experience within the school, I felt confident to apply for a position at the Breakfast club. Now you will find me there in the mornings and also at the end of the school day at the After School Club. I also hold a role as a pupil specific teaching assistant – a role which I absolutely love. I work with a small intervention group in the mornings listening to the children read. My job role can be quite varied as I also help support the Pivats group with Mrs Anderton in Literacy and Maths. In the afternoons I can be found in Year 4 supporting the children in their activities. I think the most rewarding part of my role is watching the children's confidence grow whilst they make their journey through our school.

Diary Dates – April 2018

Tue 17 th	All		GR8 As UR
	By invite	All day	Trip to Norwich Cathedral
Wed 18 th	Yr3	9:30-2:30pm	Crime & Punishment workshop at Castle Museum
	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Booster session
Thr 19 th	EYFS, Yr1,5, 6	1-2:30pm	Karate Taster session

Fri 20 th	All Years	All day	Refugee Day - NON SCHOOL UNIFORM
	Parent/carer	8:30-9:15am	Open Tapestry surgery – for any tapestry log-in queries/issues
	Yr 2, 3 & 4	1-2:30pm	Karate Taster session
	Yr6		Yr6 Swimming starts
Mon 23 rd	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Booster session
Wed 25 th	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Booster session
Thursday 26 th	-	3:15-4pm	Phonics club restarts
Fri 27 th	Parent/carer	8:30-9:15am	Open Tapestry surgery – for any tapestry log-in queries/issues
	All	2-3pm	Whole School PE Café – All parents/carers welcome
Mon 30 th	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Booster session
Tue May 1 st	Yr3	9:30-2:30	Shadow Workshop at Puppet Theatre
Wed 2 nd	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Booster session
Fri 4 th	Parent/carer	8:30-9:15am	Open Tapestry surgery – for any tapestry log-in queries/issues