



MAGDALEN GATES PRIMARY



Weekly Newsletter

30/04/2018

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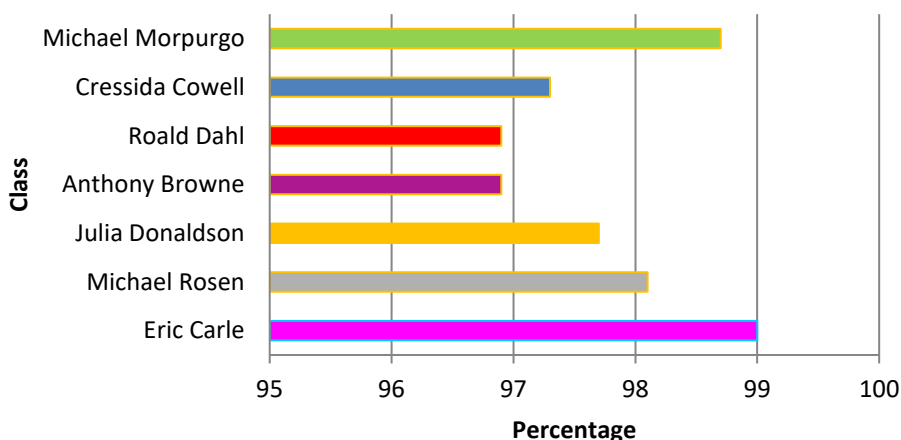
Do you think the new royal prince should have a traditional name? If not, what would you suggest and why?

Attendance

Well done to **EYFS class** who received **the £10 in assembly**. Their attendance for the week was 99%

Whole school attendance was 97.7%

Weekly Attendance Percentage



Easter Tapestry Challenge and the Winners are....

In assembly today, Miss Fahy gave out the prizes and certificates for everyone who took up the Easter Egg-cellent Challenge. Thank you to all those who participated. There were some really good pictures and it was a very difficult decision. The winners are.....EYFS: Joachim, Year 1: Ana, Year 2: John, Year 3:Lily Evans, Year 4: Emily SR, Year 5:Oskar, Year 6: Toby . Congratulations to you all.

Pupil achievements

We do love to celebrate pupils' achievements both in and out of school. Please do send in an email with any details and we can add to the newsletter and share in our Golden Assembly on Fridays.

Car Park Gates

Please be aware that we are working with NPS to fix the car park gates. In the meantime we have undertaken a number of Safeguarding actions to ensure the site is secure. Could we remind parents that they are not allowed to use the carpark as an entry point into the school – this includes WALKING THROUGH the carpark.

Whole School Trip



We are pleased to inform everyone that the whole school will be going on a trip to Banham Zoo on Friday 20th July 2018. This trip is paid for by fundraising events such as the FOMG discos. Coaches will leave school at 9.20am and we will return for 2.30pm.

All pupils will require a packed lunch; any pupils on FSM will have a packed lunch provided for them by the school kitchen. Please ensure your child wears their full school uniform, brings a raincoat or sun cap. No money needed.

This will be a fantastic opportunity for the whole school to enjoy a fun day out! If any parents do not wish their child(ren) to attend, please come and see Miss Fahy.

Whitsun Half term week – Message from Holiday Club

Advance warning – The Holiday club will **NOT** be open over May half term. However, we will be opening for a 4 week block in the summer holidays. More information, along with the Booking Form, will follow soon so keep a close eye on your weekly Newsletter.

Sun Hats

As we have had some wonderful weather recently please can you ensure that your child has a sunhat in school for playtimes. If your child has sun lotion in school, please remember you need to name the bottle and this can only be used by your child. A reminder also that staff are not permitted to apply sun lotion but they are more than happy to supervise. Please note that sun glasses are not allowed in school – Thank you for your co-operation.



Tapestry Survey

You may have seen Miss Fahy on the gate recently handing out paper copies of the Tapestry Survey. We have also sent a web-link to parents <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/7PBNVLF> Whichever way you decide to complete the survey we would love **as many parents/carers to participate**.

Thank you to the 25 parents who have so far completed the survey using the web-link and the 4 paper copies that have also been returned, but we really need **everyone else** to do likewise. We are really eager to hear about your views on Tapestry - and it only takes a few minutes to complete. Paper copies can be handed in to the office.

Race for Life Event



On Tuesday June 19th the whole school will again be participating in the Race for Life event at George White's playing field. As in previous years, we warmly invite all parents to come along and join us from 12pm.

Weather permitting, we are hoping to have a summer picnic before the racing starts in earnest. More information, along with a sponsor sheet will be coming home nearer the time.

Bake for Books & Library – Message from Miss Austrin



When I first started to run the library, I noticed that lots of the non-fiction books were incredibly old and out of date. With the money from recent Bake for Books sales we have now been able to purchase lots of brand new books for the KS1 and KS2 non-fiction sections. We have also purchased some new fiction books for the KS2 library, which the children have shown a lot of interest in.

I would like to say thank you to everyone who has donated cakes and biscuits for the school's Bake for Books and of course to everyone who purchased them!

Lastly, may I remind everyone, again, bring back the school's library books they have borrowed. There are children who have reserved books that are still on loan after many weeks and several reminders - our pupils are getting desperate to read them. Please help us by bringing your child's library books back into school.

Bicycle Helmets

It is great to see so many more children cycling to school! We would ask that, if at all possible, children, who do ride their bike to school, wear a helmet for their own safety.

Termly Attendance Trip

As we are already into the third week of the summer term we wanted to remind everyone that all children now start afresh for the summer **termly** attendance trip. Any child that achieves 97% or above for attendance from Monday 16th April to Wednesday 11th July will be able to join Miss Fahy at GRAVITY trampoline park at Riverside on Thursday 19th July!



Chance Cards

Chance Cards are awarded for politeness, helpfulness and many other things! If a child is spotted being particularly kind to others or opening the door for an adult – then Chance Cards can be awarded by all staff in school. Children who have received Chance Cards write their name on the back of each card and this is then placed in a special box inside the Headteacher's office. A draw takes place at the end of each school half term and the winner is chosen from all the pupils who have been awarded Chance Cards.

Spotlight: Emily Hunter – EA in Yr1



I began working as a teaching assistant when I finished studying dance at City College in Norwich. At the time I was still living in Great Yarmouth but I had always known I wanted to work with children from growing up in a big family myself, so I started on a teaching assistant apprenticeship; this meant that I was working and studying at the same time. It was a whole new experience for me, but I loved how rewarding the job was and really enjoyed learning about the different ways of working with children. Once I had completed both the Level 2 & 3 courses, I started looking to pursue my career in Norwich, somewhere I had always wanted to live.

In the same week that I moved to Norwich, I moved on to bigger and better things..... a job at Magdalen Gates! I have been working here for 2 years and I love how friendly and welcoming our school is – everybody comments on this. We all support each other and I have made some fantastic friendships here.

This might have been said before, but working in a school is an exciting job because every day is different and the children never cease to amaze us all!

Diary Dates

Tue 1 st May	Yr3	9:30-2:30pm	Puppet Theatre workshop
Wed 2 nd	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Booster session
Fri 4 th	All parents	8:30-9:15	Open Tapestry – please come & speak with Mrs Welch for any issues or log-in issues you have with Tapestry
Mon 7 th	All	-	School Closed – Bank Holiday
Wed 9 th	Yr6	3:15-4:30pm	Yr6 Booster session