



MAGDALEN GATES PRIMARY



Weekly Newsletter

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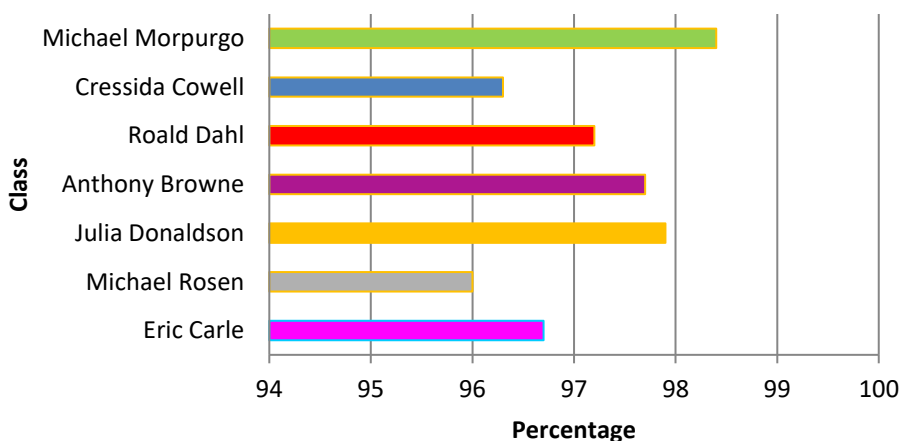
P4C question:

Would you rather live without the TV or your bed?

Attendance

Well done to **Year 6** who received **the £10 in assembly on Friday**. Their attendance for the week was 98.4%

Weekly Attendance Percentage



Whole school attendance was 97.2%

Reminder it's Year 6 SAT's Week!

By the time this newsletter goes out Yr6 will have already started their SAT's.

We wish all our Yr6 pupils the best of luck with the remaining SAT tests. They have all been working very, very hard so we know all of them will do their very best and get great results. Don't forget all Yr 6 pupils are having breakfast provided at school this week from 8am, Monday to Thursday.

Friends of Magdalen Gates – Next Meeting

We would love to see as many parents as possible for the FOMG meeting to be held next **Friday – 25th May**. The meeting will start at 2:30pm, hopefully enabling as many parents/carers as possible to pop along for just half an hour before picking their child up from school 😊

PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL

Mental Health Awareness Week



Following on from Mrs Wahiwala's information in last week's newsletter, on Thursday 17th May, staff from the Children's and Young People's Health Service will be coming into school to lead a workshop in Yr4 with activities around building resilience.

There will also be a stall set up from 2:45pm for all our parents/carers to come along and see exactly what the Children's and Young People's Health Service can offer children and their parent/carers. Questions and answers on anxiety, self esteem, self-harm, sleep anxiety, emotional regulation and emotional literacy etc and lots, lots more. We do hope as many parents/carers will pop in and have a look.

We have also invited Nick Hobbs, who manages the two closest branch libraries to our school, Mile Cross library on Aylsham Rd, and the Plumstead Rd branch. Nick will be available on Thursday 17th from 2:45 to 3:30pm to promote 'shelf help' and can provide parents/carers with lots of information. The shelf help concept is generally aimed at the older child but can be adapted so younger ones can also participate. Parents would especially find some really useful information here.

On Friday 18th, the whole school will attend a Mental Health Assembly. This will include an introduction to mental health, raising awareness, challenging stigmas and breaking down barriers. KS2 will be having a separate session highlighting some of the mental health issues that affect children in this age range and will be advised where they can go for advice and support.

Please note Yr1's class assembly will still be taking place from 9-9:15am.

Open – Bank Plain, Norwich

Attached to this newsletter is a flyer from Open Youth Trust in Norwich. They are offering lots of fun and exciting activities to try over the half term holiday. Please note they do advertise that there are bursaries available.

30 Days out

The Wildlife Trust are challenging the nation to do something wild every day throughout June, encouraging everyone to get outside and get in touch with nature. They are giving away free packs of goodies to allow you to plan your wild month with your families, together with lots of simple and great ideas to help you to achieve the challenge. Magdalen Gates will be taking part in this challenge too.

We hope as many parents/carers as possible will check out their website and see if the whole family can sign up and connect with nature every day for the month; there is a wealth of nature to get in touch with, even in a city! <http://www.mywildlife.org.uk/30dayswild/>

Holiday Club – Dates for the summer...

Holiday Club will be open for 4 weeks from Monday 30th July 2018. Booking form to follow.

Reminders

Due to Health & Safety issues, we do not allow sunglasses to be worn at school.

Recently there have been a few child 'squabbles' in the playground after school. If this were to continue, I would have no option but to place a ban on playing football after school. It would be sad that I would have to lock the school gates early to the many who enjoy this 'down time' play straight after school, due to just a few.

Lastly, we would also ask that all parents ensure that their children's scooters are placed in the scooter rack and not the bike rack. Thank you

Year 1 Assembly

We would love to welcome Year 1 parents and grandparents to their class assembly on Friday 18th May at 9am.

Bake for Books – Hosted by KS2



This Friday!

The children love the Bake for Books sales! KS2 will be hosting the Bake sale this time – Last time we managed to raise an amazing £59.10. Will we manage to raise more this time???? Donations of cakes, biscuits, buns from any of our parents/grandparents/carers would be very welcome. Don't forget to bring some pennies along Friday from 3:10pm. All proceeds go towards new books for the libraries at Magdalen Gates. What a delight that we can eat a cake and know we are all helping to keep the school's library well-resourced!

Spotlight: Mandy Lollipop



I first started working at Magdalen Gates school as a dinner lady when my daughter used to attend the school.

Around this time, I also joined the school's Governing Body, which was great and I found it very informative to see how a school worked and to understand the decisions the school has to manage.

In 1998, the man who did the road crossing service moved away in the last few weeks of the school term so I was asked if I would do it for the last six weeks of the summer term....and now over twenty years later, come rain or shine, I am still there. When the Council recently wanted to cut the service, I was very grateful for all the support from staff, parents and pupils in getting the Council to change their minds and keep the road crossing service.



I like being part of the school community by helping at the discos and the Bake for Books sales. It always brightens my day when the children will say good morning with a smile or tell me about their weekend or a special event that they have been part of.

I also like being part of a team where we all work together and support each other so that the children can do their best and enjoy their time at Magdalen Gates and prepare the children for the bright future ahead of them.

Diary Dates

Tue 15 th	Yr6	8am	Yr6 Breakfast
Wed 16 th	Yr6	8am	Yr6 Breakfast
	Yr1	2-3pm	Yr1 Maths Café
Thr 17 th	Yr6	8am	Yr6 Breakfast
	Yr6	12:30-2pm	Yr6 Celebration Lunch at TGI Fridays
	Yr4	1-4pm	Yr4 Positive Mental health wellbeing workshop
	ALL PARENTS	2:45-4pm	MENTAL HEALTH INFORMATION SESSION Children's & Young Peoples Health Service – Library service
Fri 18 th	ALL PARENTS	8:30-9:15am	Open Tapestry Surgery – Any difficulties or log-in issues please come and speak with Mrs Welch
	Yr1	9-9:15am	Yr1 Assembly – Yr1 parents (family members) welcome
Mon 21 st	ALL	3:10pm	Bake for Books
	EYFS	9-10am	EYFS learning café
	Yr4	9:15am	Yr4 Eaton Vale trip

Attachments

Mental Health Awareness Week leaflet
Open Venue flyer