

Everyone Exceptional, Every Day



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Newsletter

Friday 19th January 2024



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Marsden Junior School

The first two weeks have flown at school, and it seems strange to be wishing you all a happy new year when it's already the 19th of January. I do hope you all had a good break and have managed to keep safe despite the freezing conditions that we have seen so far in 2024.

Thank you to everyone who has downloaded the Arbor app. As with any new system we have had some teething problems. Thank you for your feedback, we are continually trying to improve the system and make it work best for MJS. If you are still having any issues with it, please contact the school office and they will do their best to help.

Year 6 Sports Hall Athletics

A huge congratulations to all the Year 6 who represented MJS at the sports hall athletics tournament last week. They performed brilliantly in the different events and have successfully made it through to the Pennine sports partnership final. We are very much looking forward to seeing how continue to improve as they perform in the final. We'll keep you posted on their hopeful success there!



Cross Country



MJS was represented brilliantly last week by two boys in Year 4. Dougie and Sid performed incredibly well in the Kirklees cross country event and both boys have successfully made it through to the West Yorkshire final next month. We are incredibly proud of them both! What talented, speedy, resilient sportsmen they both are—huge congratulations.

100% attendance

Congratulations to Reuben who won our award for his 100% attendance last term. As part of our drive to ensure everyone has the best possible attendance in school, anyone with 100% at the end of the term is entered into a draw to win an amazon voucher. 100% attendance has a hugely positive impact on the wellbeing and academic achievements of our pupils and we urge you to have your child in school on time every day to give them the best possible chance to succeed.



DATES FOR DIARIES AND REMINDERS

Date for your diary	Event	Yr Group	Extra Information
Monday 22nd January	Whole School Panto	All	Panto will be visiting us in school for everyone to enjoy.
Monday 22nd January	Year 6 Sex and Relationships Meeting for Parents	All yr 6 parents	Meeting at 5:15pm for parents of Year 6's about the Yr6 Sex and Relationship education.
Tuesday 30th January	'Try it' sporting event at CVHS	Yr5s	An event open to all Year5's at CVHS from 4:30-5:30pm
Tuesday 6th February	Safer internet Day	All	More to follow
Tuesday 6th February	Young Voices	choir	Performance in Manchester for the Young Voices event.
Friday 9th February	Last day of term	All	
Monday 19th February	First day back for Spring 2	All	
Wednesday 28th February	Strictly Pennine		Lawrence Batley theatre—more details to follow
Tuesday 12th March	Easter Show	3 / 4	More details to follow
18th and 19th March	Parents Evening	All	Parents evening will take place on Monday and Tuesday, times and details to follow.
Friday 22nd March	Last day of Spring 2 term	All	Mrs Mansell's last day at MJS.



Huddersfield Trampoline Academy - Open Day



We have an open day on Saturday 3rd February where any child can attend a free 45-minute session to get a taster for trampolining. The sessions will run 1.30 - 2.15pm, 2.15 - 3pm, 3 - 3.45pm and 3.45 - 4.30pm.

Places will need to be booked so parents can email their preferred time slot via our website www.thehta.co.uk.

Absences/Lateness

*Unplanned absence - please remember to inform the office by 9.15am on the day. We will call home to check your child's whereabouts after this time.

* Planned absence – please submit a letter/email to request the absence in advance.

*Doors open at 8.40am. Morning registration is at 8.40am. Afternoon registration is 1.00pm. Pupils arriving after these times will be marked as late. Arrival after 9am will be classed as unauthorised absence.

Medicines and illness

*Pupils must remain away from school for 48 hours after the last occurrence of sickness/diarrhoea and be eating again.

*Inhalers **MUST** be named and kept in school at all times.

*If your child is prescribed medicine by a Doctor, which is to be taken four times a day, please bring it to the office and provide details. We **MUST** be shown the label from the chemist advising dosage.

Healthy Eating

*Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school each day.

*If your child is on packed lunches, please ensure they bring a healthy lunch including fruit and vegetables each day. Lunches should not contain fizzy drinks, sweets or chocolate bars.

* Children can pay £1.75 before Monday to join Fruit Club for the week via ParentPay. They will be provided with fresh fruit or flapjack each day.

Road Safety

*For the safety of our children, please drive and park considerately around school (**NOT** in the staff car park).

Communication

*Are your contact details up to date on our system? Are you receiving texts/newsletter by email? Please inform us if not!

*Please check book bags regularly for homework and letters – some letters may have deadlines/require a response.

Belongings/Lost Property

*Please ensure all uniform items are labelled.

*Please check the lost property box in the porch at the back of school for any missing items – lost property is disposed of at the end of each half term.

Good to be Green Treat!

An important part of our behaviour policy is celebrating the good choices that our pupils make. Every day the vast majority of our MJS children choose to follow our RITA values (Resilience, Integrity, Teamwork and Aspiration). We celebrate these good choices with praise, RITA stars and a Good to be Green treat. At the end of each half term, pupils who have received no red cards celebrate with a special treat.

Class	Good to be Green Treat
34EA	'Free time' - Please can you bring a toy or a game (but no electronic devices).
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34RH	Film day - Please bring in your pyjamas and a cuddly toy to watch a film.
5KG	Den building - Please bring blankets and pegs to have a day of den building.
5RH	'Birthday party' games
6AD	Competitive Games (outdoor and indoor)
6JK	Bake Off competition to be made at home and

**Friday 9th February
2024 is Good to be
Green treat day at MJS!**



**ST BARTHOLOMEW'S
Parochial Hall**

**OLD FASHIONED
JUMBLE
SALE**

**SAT 20TH JANUARY
11 - 1 PM**

**LOADS OF CLOTHES, COATS
CHILDREN'S ITEMS THAT HAVE
BEEN DONATED TO THE WINTER
WARMER APPEAL - PAY WHAT
YOU CAN**

**Refreshments by
Marsden WI**