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Friday 8th October 2021



Responsibility

Empathy

Aspiration

Respect

Determination

A Message from the Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

We are now 6 weeks into the new term and the children have been making fantastic progress, not only academically, but socially too. We know our younger year groups have been disproportionately affected by the lockdowns and it is so clear how much they benefit from being in school. On that note, our attendance has been slightly below where we need it to be, do please do make an extra effort to send your child to school on time, each and every day. **A reminder that gates open at 8:45am every morning.**

This week saw National Poetry Day as well as the launch of our Black History Month, an event which will see series of events and special lessons taking place at the school. We will keep you posted on these as the month goes on. Please keep an eye on our Twitter account [@primarymay](https://twitter.com/primarymay) for the latest news around this and in general.

Have a great weekend and stay safe.

Mr Reynolds
Headteacher

Weekly Inclusion Assembly

INCLUSION In this week's inclusion assembly, the children were learning about disability awareness. We spoke about different types of disability including invisible disabilities, and how we can support those who have these. Our Year 1 Makaton monitors, Keevie and Joel, shared this week's Makaton sign which is ['story'](#).



Enrichment Programme



As part of our enrichment programme, lunchtime clubs will be resuming next week when children have the chance to take part in music, drama, debating, creative writing, times tables clubs. Also available are maths games, homework, singing, eco, choir and art clubs and more!

Please also remember that you are welcome to sign your child up for breakfast and after-school club each day.

Please contact the school office for more information.



October is 'Black History Month'

As we all know, Friday 1st October was the beginning of **Black History Month**. **Black History Month** is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate and recognise the outstanding contribution of black people in our society. This year for Black History month the theme is **'Proud To Be'**. This invites people around the world to share what they are proud to be. To mark the month, every year group will have a specific theme to research and focus on from world leaders, scientist, sports people and artists plus our own local heroes. **Why not get involved?**

Help your child research their focus area at home!



'My Hair' Author Coming to Visit



Author Hannah Lee will now be visiting and working with children within our school on 20th October. Ms Lee is the author of the book **'My Hair'**, one of our core literacy texts. We are all very excited to meet her! If you would like to purchase a personal signed copy of her book 'My hair' or 'Rapping Princess', please let your child's class teacher know.

Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)

Battle of the Year Groups competition starts next week with exciting prizes to be won. Please encourage your child to take part in the competition and complete their weekly times table challenge for homework. A few minutes each day to practice will really build their confidence.

Specialist Music Tutoring Available



We still have spaces available for specialist music tuition at school on the recorder, guitar or ukulele. **Please contact the school office to book.**



Congratulations

Ameerah and Praesse have moved up a level in their Lexia programme!



Makaton

Next week's sign ['thank you'](#)

Gold Certificates

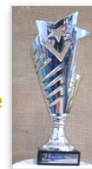
Children have achieved Gold this week for brilliant contributions and outstanding work in literacy. We have seen great work in maths, super tidying up and exceptional effort during independent tasks in Reception as well as some fantastic role models in behaviour and friendships across the school. **Well done to you all!**

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Khloe Kyran	Adonai Amaris Jusuf Ayan Avalei	Dina Dylan	Daiyan Tafari	Rosa Eray O. Alivia	Angela Dayana Josiane Semier Maryam Kolyo Kyra	Kaan Ender Sienna Ana

Attendance

Congratulations!

WINNER!
5MH
Weekly Attendance
Trophy



Gates open at
8:45am
each day!



	Key Stage 2	Last Week	Term to Date
Year 6	94%	95%	
Year 5	96%	92%	
Year 4	96%	95%	
Year 3	93%	88%	
Reception / Key Stage 1			
Year 2	91%	91%	
Year 1	91%	90%	
Rec	97%	98%	

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