

MRJS News

Learning-Laughing-Achieving



**Kindness
Aspiration
Honesty
Respect
Responsibility**

Mill Rythe Junior School

Headteacher – Mrs D Maxwell

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

On behalf of the staff and governors of Mill Rythe Junior School, I would like to start the first newsletter of the year by wishing you a very happy new year! I know I have thoroughly enjoyed catching up with the children about their Christmas holiday. What a great start we have had to the spring term. It has already been a busy one and we have lots more exciting things planned – please do keep an eye on the dairy dates.

Well done!

Congratulations to the victorious Victory House for collecting the most house points over the autumn term. As a special treat, children belonging to this house were invited to wear their home clothes on the first day back and enjoy a sweet treat in the form of an iced bun. I wonder which house it will be next half term?!

Assembly- Aspiration

We are focussing on our school value of aspiration for the next couple of weeks. This week in assembly, I spoke to the children about the meaning of aspiration and that being aspirational is not always linked to a career path but can be linked to personal development too. Please do take the time to talk about this and do ask them about the surprise at the end of the video clip they were shown.

After School Clubs

Clubs have started! I am thrilled that we have been able to offer 167 club spaces in the spring term. We have tried to offer the children even more variety this term including the musical theatre club 'Performers'. Thank you to all staff and volunteers who give up their own time to run clubs for our children.

Winchester Science Museum

Year 5 wasted no time in getting stuck into their learning. On the second day back they visited the Science Museum in Winchester. I was so delighted to hear how well they represented our school when out in the wider community. Thank you for being an absolute credit to our school. Please read

below to find out more about this amazing trip.

Our visit to Winchester science museum was fantastic! The children had great fun exploring and experimenting with all of the equipment. It was lovely to see them working together so well. The planetarium was exceptional. The children loved the experience and really felt as though they were travelling through space. We were so proud of all of the children's behaviour during this trip. They did themselves and the school proud. During our workshop, the leader commented on how impressed she was with our prior knowledge and use of scientific language. We are looking forward to taking the children on another trip! Well done year 5.

Pupil Leadership - Ambassador roles

The deadline for applications closed last week for leadership roles on offer. This week, Miss Cull and I started interviewing prospective ambassadors. Wow! We have been so impressed with the thought and effort put in to the application forms and how well the children expressed their thoughts in the interview. We shall be continuing the interviews next week and share the outcomes with children very soon.

Just a reminder

Please label your child's belongings – we have a number of unnamed and unclaimed lunchboxes.

Please provide your child with a named water bottle.

Please send your child in with a warm coat.

Please ensure your child is dressed in school uniform, including appropriate black footwear.

Please remind your child to hand their mobile phone in, should they need to bring one into school.

Thank you in advance for your support with these reminders.

Mrs Maxwell

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19 Jan Y4 St Mary's Church visit

19 Jan Y6 Greek Day

24 Jan PTA AGM 2pm

2 Feb Love of Festivals Day

AWESOME ATTENDANCE

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INSET DAYS

5th June 2023

House Points For the half term

Hardy: 2167
Nelson: 1813
Trafalgar: 1800
Victory: 2259