

# **Mayflower Primary School**

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# Curriculum Newsletter – 27<sup>th</sup> Edition

I still remain amazed at how guickly Fridays come around but here we are again, and it is time for me to publish a copy of the next edition of the weekly curriculum newsletter. As always, it has been a very busy but rewarding week in school, and I am looking forward to sharing all of our news with you. As always, I thank you for your fulsome support, and it is great to see our educational community coming back together again.

## A Plea

Just a quick note that has been passed back by a number of residents locally. They do understand that the amount of traffic will increase due to the establishment of our new school, but it becomes very difficult when our parents block their driveways. One resident actually came into school to find the parent, and once I had calmed him down, he was able to share video evidence of what had happened. The parent arrived at 7.48 and left again at 9.19. This really is not fair and I hope you will consider the inconvenience that this will have caused to people in our community.

# National Space Centre Visit (Year 5)

A quick shout-out for the staff and children in Year 5 who attended at the National Space Centre in Leicester on Monday. This visit had been arranged to support the science curriculum, and deepen their understanding in respect of the Earth in Space. All of the children had an excellent time and I hope you were able to keep an eye on the Twitter Feed. As always, our children showed deep curiosity in the world around them and gaining such high-guality first-hand experiences that will help to embed their learning. Last week, I celebrated the return to our progression of visits, and know that you value this aspect of our school just as much as I do. Please look out for further visits in all year groups as the term continues to unfold.

# **De Montfort Hall Visit (Year 3)**

In-line with the paragraph above, Year 3 also visited De Montfort University on Tuesday. Not only did this support their curriculum studies in Music and the arts, it also provided us with an opportunity to perform in an internationally acclaimed venue. Needless to say, the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and it is always good to see the way that technology and the arts can come together! Creativity was a little harder to embed when our school was working across different sites and now we can ensure that this reassumes its position at the core of the curriculum we teach.

# Lunch Ordering

Just a quick reminder from last week's newsletter; please can you ensure that lunches are ordered the day before they are taken at school. It makes everything so much easier. Than you.





## Mock SAT's Week – Year 6

A very quick shout-out to Year 6, who have been engaged in a mock SAT's week from Monday to Thursday. As you will know, at Mayflower, SATs are very low-key, which is one of the many reasons why our children do so well. Year 6 have worked incredibly hard and I feel confident that despite all of the challenges they have faced this year, they are ready for the challenges ahead. A quick reminder that SATs week begins on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024**, and we will open again at **8.00** for the now world-famous **SATs Breakfast**. Class teachers will be planning this out from next week, so please can you make sure your children are ready to express their preferences. Thank you.

#### Local Area Walk

Next week, the children in Year 2 will be conducting their local area walk, in support of the Geography curriculum. This will be an exciting opportunity for them to learn more about the physical and human features of the Evington area, and there will also be aspects of local history that are considered, as well. As with all of our enrichment work, please look out for the school's Twitter Feed where regular updates will be provided!

### New Entrants in Nursery and Reception

Many thanks to the many, many parents who have expressed a preference for our school in both Nursery and Reception Year for the academic year 2024-2025. We are not entirely convinced that everyone in our community knows we are back to being a single site, so if you could spread the word, I would be grateful Numbers are looking good, but I also want to ensure that if parents want to send their children to our school, they are given an opportunity to do so, I know how close our community is and celebrating this good news story will be good for us all.

## And Finally....

We like to give advance notice of when school will be closed, and I am sure that many of you are aware that on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May**, it is the May Day Bank Holiday. Please be advised that school will open again on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024**, as normal. On behalf of the children and staff, we hope that you have a wonderful break, spending quality time with family and friends.

#### Attendance

Some really, really strong attendance in school this week, and I remain very grateful to you all for your efforts in this important area of our work.

Week Beginning Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2024			
Early Years	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Chestnut: 96.8%	1KM 97.9%	4CR and 4MY: 99.4%	6CW: 99.0%





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### **Wow Moments in School**



