



Note from Mrs Butcher

This week we welcomed parents to our first prospective tour of the Nursery as the application is now open. One of our favourite things to do is show visitors around our school and speak with them about what it is like to be a child or member of staff at Malvern Way. It is always a pleasure to show people the fun and exciting learning that goes on and visitors often comment upon how calm and purposeful the children are.

As a senior leadership team we have been considering what 'exceptional' looks like and where in our school we see exceptional learning opportunities for our children.

You will have received a letter about our upcoming 'Feeling Good, Feeling Safe' week and I would like to congratulate the children who I have seen making the right choices and walking on the yellow footsteps on the path, after they have been to an after school club. It is not safe for children to walk up or down the car park, especially at the end of the day when staff are leaving. Please support your child in making the correct choice.

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Important Dates

04/02	Year 2 Chinese Dragon Workshop
06/02	9.30 am Nursery tour for prospective parents
10/02	Start of Feeling Good, Feeling Safe week
11/02	Reading Evening
17/02—21/02	Half Term
25/02	9.30 am Nursery tour for prospective parents
26/02	Raptor Animal Experience
04/03—05/03	Parents Consultations
06/03	World Book Day

Thank You Mrs Turner

Thank you to Mrs Turner who bought her pet snake to Nursery so we could talk more about what a real dragon's scales may feel like in comparison.

What's Been Happening

Multi Skills

Year 1 children had a visit from the Rickmansworth school sports leaders who came to lead multi skills sessions on the playground. The children learnt about the importance of agility, balance and coordination (ABC). Each station encouraged the children to use different skills in order to complete the tasks. As well as learning a lot the children had lots of fun and made the most of a very grey January morning.



Year 2 children also had a visit from Rickmansworth school sports leaders who spent time with all Year 2 classes teaching them how to be a good play leader. They learned how to play some new games and how to set up fun activities that will develop some key physical skills.

Art Skills

Year 2 have also been really impressing us with their art skills. They have been closely studying Dragon eyes. They have developed their skills in working with clay and each created their own dragon eye. They have looked at other ways of representing their dragon eyes in pencil and paint too. We hope to have all this lovely art work on show for you when you visit school at parents consultations in March.



Muddy Puddle Fun

We're quite fed up with the wet weather and unfortunately our play areas are totally sodden. However in Nursery they have been making the most of the mud and spent time learning how to put their puddle suits on independently before having lots of muddy fun!



Fire Breathing Dragons

As part of their dragon themed learning the children in Reception and Nursery wanted to know more about fire.

They have learned what you need to light a fire and keep it burning and how to be safe around a fire.



World Book Day—Friday 6th March

Keep an eye on your home learning to see the theme of World Book Day for your year group.

What's Coming Up

Book Fair and Book Look

Our Scholastic book fair is visiting school at a different time this year. Previously we have had 2 book fairs during the year but this year changed to have one event in the Spring term. As this follows shortly after our parent consultations we will combine book fair and our 'Book Look' learning review.

Please put the below dates in your diary:

Tuesday 10 th March 8.45 – 9.45 am	Dragonfly class
Tuesday 10 th March 9.00 – 10.00 am	Reception classes
Tuesday 10 th March 2.00-3.00pm	Minnow and Duckling classes
Tuesday 10 th March 3-3.45pm	Book Fair open to all
Friday 13 th March 9.00-10.00 am	Year 1 classes
Friday 13 th March 2.00-3.00pm	Year 2 classes
Friday 13 th March 3 – 3.45pm	Book Fair open to all

Parents or carers are invited to visit their child in their classroom during the above times. There will be an opportunity to visit the Scholastic book fair within this time where you can view books on offer. Any purchases that are made contribute commission money to the school that can be spent on new books. You will have time to look through their learning with them and celebrate the progress they have made. You will also have time to complete a 'Book Look' learning review with your child.

Headteacher Awards



- Owl: Lillia, Louis, Ava
Robin: Aaran, Amira, Chloe, Millie, Heidi, Freya
Squirrel: Arish, Layla
Rabbit: Caelan
Hedgehog: Leo
Ladybird: Evie, Isabelle, George, Alexander
Bumble bee: Quinn, Olivia, Jaden, James
Shield bug: Christopher, Archie, Eleanor, Joshua, Jasper

Badge Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who have received a badge since our last newsletter:

Being Independent Learners ~ Owen J, Annie H, Aditya D, Iman R

Polite ~ Shayen G, Aidan C, Amel H, Alexander C, Kian S, Sophie G, Ethan V, Rory M, Sam O

Good Friend ~ Ella M, Alyssa W, Lyla B, Mia P, Larry A

Care of the Environment ~ Maxim V, Joshua C, Lewis S, Anaiya V, Aarisha K,

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