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Malvern Way News

From Mrs Cole

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Welcome to the Summer term. It has been a busy fortnight (I finally understand there is no such thing as a quiet week at Malvern Way!) and our new topics are well underway. You should have received today a curriculum news which provides you with an overview of the topic learning planned for this term.

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We will face some disruption this term as new windows are installed across the school. This project, funded by Hertfordshire County Council, is desperately needed and will significantly enhance our school environment, improve our energy efficiency and possibly even warm up the school hall! I have met with the team overseeing the build including 2 project managers and the company carrying out the window fitting. Work is due to start on 29th May and I will be writing to you all at the end of half term with any changes to drop off and pick up.

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Our Governing Body were invited to spend the day in school today for our annual Governor Day. I would like to say thank you to all of our hard working Governors but especially to those who were able to join us today.



Greening Grey Britain

Thank you to all the families who contributed to our event on Monday. There have been some drastic changes to some of the areas of the school and the children enjoyed the opportunity to take part. Mrs Steven prepared some presentations for the children exploring the benefits of planting shrubs etc. ...on the environment which were shared with all classes. In our assembly on Monday I was impressed to hear children explaining about oxygen and carbon dioxide! Our Eco Councillors now need to ensure we take care of these plants (especially in the frosty conditions this week) so that they flourish.

More gardening news

Congratulations to Mrs Steven and Mrs Pashby for gaining a place to display a scarecrow at RHS Hampton Court Palace Flower Show. Designed by Mrs Pashby, using ideas from our children, we will be creating a scarecrow made from recycled products and designed to encourage wildlife into gardens.

This scarecrow will then be exhibited and subject of a 'penny vote' from all the visitors at the Show with the winner receiving £200 garden centre vouchers and a trophy!

Tennis Workshops

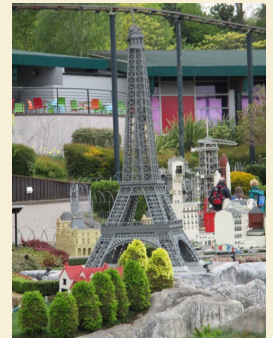
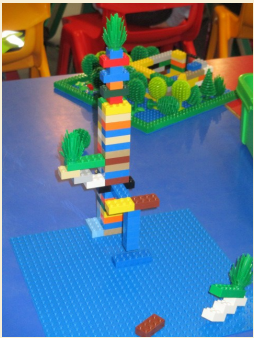
Last week the children enjoyed taking part in an active tennis session with Wayne from Croxley Tennis Club. The children played different games to help them develop and practise a wide range of different skills to use their tennis racket to control the ball.

New RE curriculum launch

On Thursday I attended the launch of the new RE syllabus ~ religion for today and tomorrow. I was invited to the launch as Mrs Venn had been part of the team who have worked together to develop the new curriculum. Well done to Mrs Venn for being recognised as an outstanding leader of RE.

Legoland

Our Year 2 classes visited LEGOLAND on Thursday this week as part of our Master Builders topic. We had the opportunity to go on some rides and even took part in a 2D and 3D Lego building workshop. We looked at the works of famous Lego artists and used their work to inspire our own designs. The children were extremely well behaved and we had a fantastic time looking at the famous buildings from around the world which were all made out of Lego bricks.



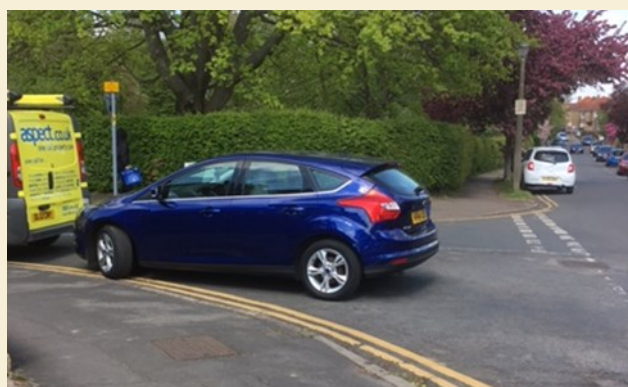
Herts County Show Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th May

Following a request from a parent, I am in receipt of a number of complimentary tickets to the Herts County Show. I have one family ticket (2 adults and 2 children) and 30 children's tickets. If you would like to be considered for these tickets please send a note to the office with the number of children in your family (under 5s are free) and I will select them from the proverbial hat! Please ensure I have received your requests by 9am Wednesday morning. <http://www.hertsshow.com/>

School Parking

While the vast majority of our parents are ensuring they are using our local roads considerately, we continue to have a minority of parents who consider that rules do not apply to them and that their needs are more important than others – sigh!

Here is a picture sent to me this week. Unfortunately I do not know which parent is the culprit otherwise I would have spoken with them directly. I am happy to receive these pictures and am particularly grateful to also be given names so that I can speak directly with those concerned.



Head Teacher Awards

Dragonfly: Larry, Evie, Leo, Lily, Adam

Duckling: Sanaya, Sienna

Shield Bug: Harrison, Pippa, Holly, Ethan, Arianna

Ladybird: Oliver

Hedgehog: Aldona, Darcey, Thomas H, William,
Nya, Brodie, Chloe, Mayra

Rabbit: Edie, Kush x2, Dilan, Alex, Leon

Robin: Francesco, Gerry, Isabella, Maya, Lara,
Sam, Jake, Sophie, Lillie, Keavy

Owl: Josie, Harry C

Badge Assembly

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

Being Independent Learners ~ George, Hugo, Samrath, Roye, lolana, Rosie, Dominic, Milo, Nolah, Emy, Thomas, Jessica, Zach, Jack, Archie, Evie, Alisa

Being a Good Friend ~ Kenny, Gabrielle, Chloe, Tallula, Thomas, Oscar, Ashleigh

Good Listeners ~ Elsie, Thomas, Alex, Uma, Chloe, Daniel, James, Adrian, Mia, Nia, Ted, Lauren

Kind & Thoughtful ~ Jessica

Polite ~ Emerson, Keavy, Violet

Care Of The Environment ~ Aditya, Elisa