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# Malvern Way News

From Mrs Cole

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Welcome to the Summer term. We have already had a busy time with a range of experiences and workshops delivered to the children, with lots more planned. All classes have taken part in tennis workshops and met with the school nurse to discuss handwashing. All topics for the term have now been decided and you should have received a new topic overview today. An up to date diary has been attached to this newsletter to help you plan for attending events where this is possible. I would like to draw your attention to a change of date for our 'New to' meetings.

Due to a clash with Little Green these have been moved to Thursday 14th July. These meetings are for our current Reception and Year 1 parents to inform you about moving on next year.



We have now migrated to our new ParentMail system PMX and I thank you all for your patience during this change.

Hopefully all teething problems are now ironed out. A special thank you to Mrs Bushell for dealing with the migration and to the rest of the office team for mopping her brow when the going got tough! Please make sure you have verified your account or you will not be able to access the system to pay for school trips, school shop items etc.



On Thursday I met with the headteachers of our local primary schools, our PCSO and representatives of both HCC and Three Rivers council. We discussed the ongoing difficulties all schools face regarding parent parking and considered strategies to address this issue. While we wait for these strategies to be put in place, I would like to remind parents about the need to park legally, safely and with consideration for our neighbours and other road users. The yellow lines around the school are in force during the hours of drop off and pick up and therefore should always be clear.

## Staff News

We wish Mrs Ineson good luck as she begins her maternity leave today. During her absence she will be very much missed. Mrs Ineson's baby is due mid May so we look forward to hearing the news that baby has arrived.

We are looking forward to welcoming back Mrs Feander as she returns from her maternity year after having Freddie. Mrs Feander will be working across Reception and Year 1. As a result of this return, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Gregory (TA in Shield Bug class) who will be leaving us on Friday 6th May. Miss Gregory has been at the school for 2 years, working in both our Nursery and Reception classes.

We will certainly miss her and wish her good luck for the future.



## School Councillors

Our School Council welcomed representatives from Reception last week. In their first meeting, the new councillors helped us to plan our next fundraising event which is our "Look Smart for Home-Start" non uniform day to be held on Thursday 26th May.

Welcome to Toby W, Amy L (Shield bugs) Jack N, Emma P (Bumble bee) and Ava S & Daniel H (Ladybird)

## Grocer on The Green

All of our Reception classes walked to the Grocer on the Green this week as part of their topic, "Oh the places you'll go." At the shop each pupil had the opportunity to purchase a piece of fruit or vegetable with their own money. We are very grateful to Robert from the Grocer on the Green for supporting us with this experience. He made a number of changes to his shop that day to ensure our children had a lovely time.



### Learning about Pesach (Passover)

Rabbi Aaron attended school yesterday to present an assembly about Pesach to all of our year groups. The children always enjoy his visits and are keen to learn about the different religions represented in our school community.

### Mindset Presentation

There is still time to sign up to our Mindset presentation on Tuesday 3rd May. I have been pleased to see so many parents keen to attend this event. As a parent myself, having previously attended this I found it really beneficial. Please inform the school office if you would like to attend so that we can ensure enough seating for all.

### Gymnastics

Mr Reid took a team of 6 Gymnasts to St. Joan of Arc School to participate in a Gymnastics Key Steps event.

The children learnt and performed a floor routine as well as a vault event competing against 5 other schools. We finished 3rd and were only 7 points away from first place. We are extremely proud of the gymnastics team as they showed great resilience and collaboration throughout the competition. They were very respectful of other schools and competitors. The team represented the school excellently.

### PSHE and SRE Policy

Staff and Governors have recently reviewed our PSHE and Sex & Relationships policy. This is now available on our school website and includes an overview of the topics for Years 1 and 2. (Please note for Year 1 Spring and Summer have been swapped for this year) If any parent would like to discuss any aspect of our this policy I will be available on Friday 6th May at 9am and also 2.30pm. Just drop in or send an email via the admin account.



### Head Teacher Awards

**Dragonfly:** Max H, George N, Ethan W

**Shield Bug:** Millie O, Maximilian S

**Bumble Bee:** Callum C, William S,  
Brodie P

**Ladybird:** Tristan G, Hayden B, Edie B,  
Rae T, Emmy P, Alex O, Scarlett S, Jayan P,  
Alisha H, Kush P, Jessica T, Bonnie DW,  
Almaan S, Leon S, Archie J

**Hedgehog:** Bhavini P, Reggie B, Tallula MH

**Rabbit:** Jess P, Olivia A

**Robin:** Beatrice B

### Badge Assembly

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

**Being Independent Learners** ~ Louis, Layla, Max, Edie, Emmie, Tallula, Sam, Eliza, Zoya, Declan, Tristan, Bonnie, Oliver, Lisa, Finley, Harmani, Lucy, Olivia, Sean, Michael

**Good Listeners** ~ Kiitan, Ava, Philip, Jakob, Aldona, Darcey

**Being a Good Friend** ~ Eli, George, Gracie, Mia

**Kind & Thoughtful** ~ Lily, Orla

**Care Of The Environment** ~ Jack, Harrison, Anisa, Amelie, Naomi, Carlos, Amar, Oscar, Carla, Sophie