



MAUNDENE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Maundene Weekly

31st January 2019

"A person's a person, no matter how small." - Dr. Seuss

Term Dates

01/02/19

Inset Day (no children in school)

05/02/19

Year 3 Learning with your child workshop – Reading
9-10am

08/02/19

Falcons Class Assembly

12/02/19

Year R Zoo Lab visit

Year 3 Fizz Pop Science Workshop

13/02/19

Parents' Evening 3.30-7pm

14/02/19

Parents' Evening 3.30-5.30pm

15/02/19

Finches Class Assembly

Year 2 Learning Exhibition

01/03/19

Jays Class Assembly

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another busy week at Maundene, albeit only 4 days!

On Monday, our Burnet News Club started today for some of our children in Y5 and Y6. They tackle lots of different global topics that are relevant in the world today. They had an informative first session.

Tuesday, we had our first training session for leaders in our training room. Rob Carpenter, our CEO, led a session for leaders across Medway, Greenwich and Bexley with a focus on Ethical Leadership. Lots of thought-provoking discussions were had and participants had a tour of the school. Again, we were praised for having a lovely school with such articulate children.

On Wednesday, we celebrated our stars of the week and 100% attendance. Well done to all those who received a certificate.

Today, we say goodbye to Miss Ellis and Miss Dyson who have been teaching in Owls and Blackbirds. They have both had a successful teaching practice, we wish them luck in completing their teaching qualification.

Tomorrow, we will be hosting the Inset day here at Maundene and teachers and leaders from Elaine and Woodhill Primary will be joining us to plan the curriculum for our children from spring 2.

Ms D Indresano and Mr K O'Mara

Inset Day/Staff Development Day

A reminder that we have an Inset day tomorrow **Friday 1st February 2019** – the school will be closed to children.



School Clubs

There will be **no Sports Crew** after school club next **Wednesday, 6th February**.

Due to Parents' Evening, there will be **no after school clubs on 13th & 14th February**.



Year R Parents

Please can parents make a swift exit from the school grounds at the end of the day, so that teachers can set up for the following school day. Thank you for your help with this matter.

School Car Park

Due to Health & Safety guidelines, admittance to the school car park is only permitted for Parents/Carers with an appointment at the school or those collecting a child that is unwell. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

05/03/19

Year 2 Learning with your child workshop - Reading 9-10am

08/03/19

Swans Class Assembly

12/03/19

Year 4 Learning with your child workshop – Reading 9-10am

14/03/19

Yr R Health Checks

15/03/19

Blackbirds Class Assembly

Yr R Health Checks

19/03/19

Year 5 Learning with your child workshop – Maths 9-10am

22/03/19

Robins Class Assembly

04/04/19

Year 4 Learning Exhibition



Roving Reporters – Summer Loveridge and Harry Wells

In EYFS they have been weighing different objects and reporting information in a variety of ways.

Year 1s have been describing a setting with descriptive language and learning to subtract numbers.

Year 2 have been practising division and sharing and in English they have been learning about sustainability.

Year 3 having been practising the chunking method and in English they have been writing character descriptions.

Year 4s have been planning a narrative and learning about equivalent fractions.

Year 5, have been calculating area and perimeter and in English they wrote a persuasive letter.

Year 6 are learning about statistics on collecting data and writing a narrative from the core text this term 'Trash'.

Parents' Evening

We will be having Parents' Evening on **Wednesday 13th February 3:30-7pm and Thursday 14th February 3:30 – 5:30pm**, letters have gone out. Please sign up for the slot that you would like and bring the slips in quickly as the popular times do go fast! It will be on a first come, first served basis.

Learning with your Child Workshops

We will be holding a range of workshops where parents can come in and learn with their child. These have proven to be very successful and a chance for parents to see how their child learns at school. Here are some dates that we have set and we hope to see many parents there, learning with their child.

Date / Time	Year Group	Focus
Tuesday 5 February 9-10am	Year 3	Reading
Tuesday 5 March 9-10am	Year 2	Reading
Tuesday 12 March 9-10am	Year 4	Reading
Tuesday 19 March 9-10am	Year 5	Maths

MYG Athletics Festival

Last week, some children from years 3 and 4 represented Maundene at the MYG Sports Hall Athletics event. The children did really well and gave 100% effort with all races and field events. There were a variety of events: speed bounce, standing long jump, chest push and then some team games: obstacle relay, hurdle relay and 4 lap relay to name a few.

Maundene came 7th in the morning session and 19th overall out of 31 schools. Well done to all the children who took part on the day.

Key Dates for Spring Term

- Parents' Evening **Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th February.**
- **Friday 15th February** – Year 2 Learning Exhibition (more information will be sent out in due course)
- **Thursday 4th April** – Year 4 Learning Exhibition (more information will be sent out in due course)

Adverse Weather Guidance

We are apparently due snow next week. So, in anticipation: we will always try to remain open during adverse weather. Our priority is to provide a safe environment for children and staff, but we must also take into account journeys and road conditions as many of our staff live far from the school. However, it is your responsibility as parents, during bad weather, to make the decision whether it is safe for you to bring your child to school or collect them early. In **extreme** weather conditions, your child's attendance record will not be affected. Once we have evaluated the site, we will make a decision between 7-7:30am whether we close. If you do **not** receive a text message by **7:30am**, then this will mean the school **will be open**. Please also check the website for updates, this will be on the front page on the scrolling bar and in the latest news section. Making a decision to close the school is always a difficult one and our main priority is to make sure our children, staff and community are safe.

Stars of the Week



A BIG well done to our Star of the Week pupils who received their certificates in assembly on 23rd January:

Kestrels Class

Elizabeth Ingram

Finches Class

Oliver Lloyd

Robins Class

Maha
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Blackbirds Class

Daisy Blanchard

Woodpeckers Class

Candice Kwegyir

Falcons Class

Kevin Springall

Owls Class

Ruby Holland

Ravens Class

Mia Reid

Swans Class

Honey Dudley

Jays Class

Socrates
Tsatsaklas

Ospreys Class

Luke Reynolds

Eagles Class

Harry Newton

Maundene Training Room

Those of you that follow us on Twitter, may have seen some CPD that we are offering to other teaching professionals. Our aim is to have our school as a centre of excellence in Medway. In light of our recent improvements and feedback from external professionals, we have put together a bank of affordable training for other schools. When Gloria Opara, the Ward Council for Princes Park came to visit us, we mentioned this to her and she gave us £1000 to help the funding of our training room. This room is located between Woodpeckers and Falcons and is the old Hawks Room. When it is not in use, this room will still be used for children. We have already had interest in our training which is fantastic. We believe that collaboration and sharing is key; our children are benefiting from the way we teach here and we want other children in Medway and beyond to also benefit from this.

Here is a list of our training, please forward on to any teachers or leaders you may know.

Training	Date
Transforming Learning Environments	6 th February 9am - 12pm
Whole Class Reading Strategies	26 th February 1pm - 4pm
Teaching Assistant Programme	6 sessions beginning 7 th March
Planning for High Quality Outcomes in English	12 th March 1pm – 4pm
Developing a 21st Century Curriculum with Global Themes	3 rd April 1pm - 4pm

House Points

The running total for the house points are as below. The winning house at the end of term will be allowed to come to school in non-school uniform on **05/04/19**. If you are unsure which house your child is in, please see the class teacher who has a list.

<u>Fort Amhurst</u>	<u>Cooling Castle</u>	<u>Upnor Castle</u>	<u>Rochester Castle</u>
1,239	851	773	682

Attendance

Well done to **ROBINS & WOODPECKERS CLASS** this week.

<u>Kingfishers</u>	<u>Doves</u>	<u>Kestrels</u>	<u>Finches</u>	<u>Blackbirds</u>	<u>Robins</u>	<u>Falcons</u>
95%	96%	95%	95%	95%	97%	95%

<u>Woodpeckers</u>	<u>Owls</u>	<u>Ravens</u>	<u>Swans</u>	<u>Jays</u>	<u>Ospreys</u>	<u>Eagles</u>
97%	96%	96%	96%	95%	96%	96%

Whole school attendance is 96%.

The national target for whole school attendance is 97%. This is what we are aiming for, so please ensure your child is in everyday!

Have a wonderful and warm weekend and see you all back on Monday!