



Mountfield News



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Attendance



Attendance at school is absolutely essential if your child is to make as much progress as possible.

We are aiming for a whole school attendance to be 97% this year which will only be possible if we all make a MASSIVE effort to get in every day. We have a lot of incentives at the moment to encourage children to get in every day. The latest one is for a family cinema ticket- all 100% attenders will go in a draw and one lucky winner will get the tickets! Try to help your child by bringing them to school every day.

NEW—Late night opening!!

Library - first Thursday of a half term 3.15—4pm

We have a wonderful library full of books ranging from ancient history to science fiction, hilarious jokes to how a space rocket works. And now you can come along and enjoy it too! Take a book home or enjoy spending some time together here.

"People who don't like reading—just haven't found the right book "yet!"



Regular reading at home really makes a huge difference!

Please encourage and support regular reading at home. Reading diaries need to be in school every day too and a comment by you in the diary really helps us to know your child better.

The MORE that you READ, the MORE things you will know. The MORE that you LEARN, the MORE places you'll go.



This week's attendance

Nursery: 95.6% (pretty good!)

Reception: 96.9% (great!)

Year 1: 100% (excellent)

Year 2: 93.57% (oh no!)

Year 3: 95.2% (pretty good)

Year 4: 94.7% (not bad)

Year 5: 97.9% (great!)

Year 6: 97.9% (great!)

WOW- Well done everyone.

This week's winners are class 1 and they all get 3 house points each!!

School review

As we are part of a Multi Academy Trust (MAT), we have the experience and expertise of all 8 schools to help us improve. Last week we had a review where 3 other Head teachers looked around school to find things we could do even better- it must have been a hard job as the children were fabulous and the staff showed what an excellent team we are! The Head teachers were all very impressed and challenged us to challenge our children even more- **so we will!**

Diary of events- October

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th:	Year 3 & 4 to Hawkhurst residential
Thursday 5th October	Italian themed lunch- lots of pizza!
Friday 6th October	9:00am Parents in Reception class to observe phonics in action
Tuesday 10th October	Year 3/4/5/6 Learn to ride
Wednesday 11th October	Year 6 visit House of Objects
Wednesday 11th October	Year 2 and year 5 parents invited to Forest School
Monday 16th October	School photographs
Wednesday 18th October	9:05am Harvest assembly
Monday 23rd October- Friday 27th October	Half Term- School closed

At Mountfield we are all committed to ensuring all children are kept safe, and we have comprehensive safeguarding policies which we follow and take extremely seriously. These can be viewed on our website or requested at school. If you have any concerns you wish to report please speak to any of our Designated safeguarding persons who are:

Cindy Shield, Tim Godfrey, Katrina Fenwick, Claire Godfrey and Sam Hall

Nothing matters more than safeguarding children!

Nursery

Our Nursery children have settled well into their new class. We met 'Ruff' the rabbit who appeared in the magic hat! He helps us to remember our class rules... 'Good listening', 'Good looking; and 'Good sitting'. We have enjoyed sharing our favourite things from home and looking at our special red learning journals.



Reception

Reception have had a great start to the new academic year! We have been taking part in all things dotty! We read the book 'The Dot' and completed lots of dotty activities. We even celebrated International Dot Day by wearing dotty clothes!



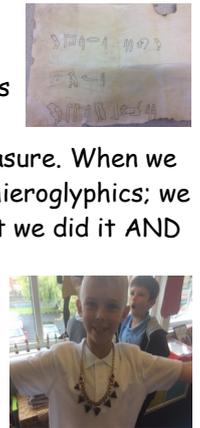
Year 1



Year 1 visited 'The Safety Works'. We learned how to keep ourselves safe if we were to be around fire, an unknown dog or roads and what the Police are there for. We had a fantastic morning!

Year 4

Our project started with excitement as we received a secret letter asking for help to find the Pharaohs hidden treasure. When we found the first clue it was written in hieroglyphics; we had to work hard to solve them all but we did it AND managed to find the hidden Pharaohs gold!



Year 2



Year 2 have been loving getting back into Forest School this year! So far, they have enjoyed toasting marshmallows, making elderberry tea, painting rocks, climbing trees and much more.

We can't wait for next week!

Year 5

Our term has started with a bang!!!

Our Question this term is 'What makes childhood special?' so what better way to start than with a birthday party?!

We even squeezed in a bit of maths and tried to work out the ages of the oldest living things on the planet! Did you know there is a tree that is over 5000 years old?



Year 3

Last Friday, Class 3 had a great time visiting Killhope lead mine. We learned all about the miners and how they lived and worked. We also got to try being a 'washer boy' and we searched for any treasures amongst the rocks.

The best part was going down the dark mine! Class 3 were very brave!!



Year 6

Super Six have had a crazy week with all of our pencil cases being stolen. Holly was the first person to spot the evil face and then the message left on the board; the message was a mix of numbers and letters.

Luckily for us, we had been learning about algebra and were able to find out where our pencil cases were. We have a feeling the miscreant will be back though!

