



Mountfield News



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Goodbye Roz

We were sad to say goodbye to Roz Dawson on Friday as she starts her retirement. Roz has worked with us for 26 years and has cared for so many of our children she will be a huge miss. Roz will be fondly remembered for her calm, caring approach which made her a favourite among our children! This won't be the last we see of Roz however as she has agreed to be our stand-in dinner supervisor whenever we need her. *See you soon Roz!*



Spring term's attendance

- Nursery: 90.3% (could be better)**
- Reception: 95.7% (pretty good)**
- Year 1: 95.4% (pretty good)**
- Year 2: 95.3% (pretty good)**
- Year 3: 96.4% (great!)**
- Year 4: 96% (great!)**
- Year 5: 95.6% (pretty good)**
- Year 6: 95.6% (pretty good)**

WOW- Well done everyone.

Reception and Year 6 had the best attendance in the Trust last half term! Both classes have a trophy proudly on display!

We are running another 4 week attendance prize leading up to half term. Every child with 100% attendance will be put into the draw for a £10 Amazon voucher

40- Really?

Last Tuesday, we celebrated with Doreen Hoggins as it was the anniversary of the day she started working at Mountfield 40 years ago! Since then she has helped care for thousands of children during lunchtime and in fact was Miss Arrowsmith's dinner lady when she was a child! Doreen is a fantastic example of how to care for children with a calm, caring approach that earns respect and love from others. We hope Doreen will be still caring for our children for many more years to come!



Summer school uniform

As the weather is starting to improve can we remind you that we still must insist on appropriate school uniform.

- If you are buying new shoes, trainers or sandals these must be black without logos
- Summer dresses help to keep girls cool in warm weather but these should be blue to fit in with school colours
- Hair styles should be sensible and with **SMALL** bobbles or bows. Please avoid outlandish hair styles and accessories
- PE kits should be available at all times in case we can make use of any good weather



Pick up the poo!

We are very proud of Hannah in Year 1 who won the competition to create a poster that could be displayed around the estate encouraging people to pick up after their dogs! She beat off all the competition with her fabulous message. *Well done Hannah!*



Safety in the sun



As the weather improves please ensure your child has sun cream on before school (at least factor 15). If you wish your child to apply more through the day then they can bring in a small labelled bottle which they can **APPLY THEMSELVES** if necessary. A cap for playtime would also be sensible.

Security

You will be aware that there have recently been some malicious threats to schools aimed at causing panic by threatening the safety of pupils and staff. We assure you that we always take any threat incredibly seriously and have robust procedures in place to deal with incidents. All schools in our Trust employ the services of a highly skilled and experienced safety risk analyst who advises on any potential risks and how to respond.

However, this is one service we buy that we hope to never have to use!

Please be assured that if we are exposed to any threat at all we will deal immediately with the situation as per our training and would never underestimate any possible threat to anyone's safety.

Site security

Just a reminder that the school site will be locked throughout the day, with the only access through the main pedestrian gate. Any visitors to school must report straight to reception on arrival and be signed in by a member of staff.



Baby news



Congratulations to Mrs Patterson who has given birth to a beautiful baby girl. She has been named Daisy Kathryn Patterson. Both Mother and baby are doing well.

Congratulations from all at Mountfield!

We look forward to seeing them both soon

Office hours

Please note our school office is open to parents between:

8:30am - 9:30am

12 noon - 1pm

3pm - 4pm



At any other time we cannot guarantee you will be able to speak to staff in person or by phone.

Please ensure your child brings all their PE kits, forest school clothes, swimming kits and any other items in the morning. We cannot guarantee that any items arriving late will be taken to classes in time.

Contact details

Please make sure all your contact details are kept up to date so we can keep you informed.



We will soon be starting a new text messaging service. If we don't have your number we can't keep in touch!

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!