



## MAGDALEN GATES PRIMARY



**Bulletin: Monday 23rd May 2022**

### **MESSAGE FROM MR HUTCHINSON**

Dear parents and carers,

It has been a busy fortnight. Both the Year 6s and the Year 2s have completed their SATs tests in the last two weeks. We know that they have done the best that they could do after a very difficult two years of disrupted education. They all worked very hard, tried their best in the tests and were very mature and relaxed about the whole process.

During this turbulent time, we have put many things in place during the school day to help the children to fill in any gaps in their learning and to make as much progress as possible towards the assessment points at the end of the key stages. The children have benefitted from small group tutoring and intervention with a range of professionals from Norwich City Community Foundation's Reading Stars and Match day Maths to me as the Head teacher. We have all been part of the Magdalen Gates Recovery Curriculum that has helped the children to be at their best every day at school. The children should be very proud of their achievements and the progress that they have made this year. The recovery approach will continue to support the learning and development of every child in the school. This work starts right now. Thank you for everything that you do at home to support your child/children with their learning at school. It is this partnership that really makes a difference.

The next assessment points for the children are the Phonics Screening Check (for Year 1 and some Year 2s) and the Multiplication Tables Check (for Year 4). I am sure that they will do their best when the time comes.

**Mr Hutchinson**

### **Attendance**

#### **10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> May**

Late arrivals – 9

Whole school attendance – 95.24%

#### **16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May**

Late arrivals – 10

Whole school attendance – 95.62%

## Multi Coloured Friday Event for Kayla's

WOW! Thank you everyone. We raised a massive £510.89

## JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

This year, The Queen celebrates her 70<sup>th</sup> year on the throne. To mark this occasion in school, we will be holding a special tea party on the playground for the children **this Wednesday**. As it is a celebratory event, the children will be asked to come to school in a **celebration outfit** of their choice. This should be something that they would wear to a special family party. We would ask parents **not** to allow pupils to wear football kits etc., as this is a special celebration and would not be suitable.



**All our parents and carers are welcome to join us from 2:30pm** when the PTA will be selling teas and jam tarts from outside the kitchen. There will also be a playground art exhibition. A special Jubilee performance by the children of Magdalen Gates starts at 3pm and there will also be songs and a performance by the Magdalen Gates Maypole team.

We look forward to seeing you there!

## Parent Teacher Consultations

We will be opening up appointments the first week after half term for parents to speak with their class teacher for week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> June.

## Sports Day



As we are all aware, anything outdoors in the UK is always weather dependent, but we can advise that we are keeping our fingers crossed for fine weather for our annual Sports Day which will be held the morning of Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July (back up day will be Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July).

There will be 15 activities around the school involving running, target practice and lots of other elements of PE. To make things easier for parents to follow their children around the school site, we will be putting siblings in the same team and teams will be made up of 2/ 3 pupils from each year group. Yr6's will be play the part of team captain. Teams will be assigned after half term and will take the name of different countries in the World. Pupils will be expected to come into school with their PE kit on and teams will be expected to dress in the colour of their country's flag (ie., UK, red, white and blue).

Parents will be welcome to come along and watch for the morning event and then leave before lunch.

During the afternoon our Sports day will continue with pupils competing in competitive events within their year group. Parents will be informed of the results the following day. We really hope for fine weather and a good turnout of cheering parents!

### May Half Term Holiday Club



Bookings are now available to book online for May Half Term holiday club.

The Holiday club will be open - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May and Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> of May from 8 am to 5:30pm.

Please note the club will be closed Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> and for the bank holidays.

If you have any questions or problems with booking please contact Karen Orford at the school office or email the after school club at

[magdalengatesoutofschoolclub55@yahoo.com](mailto:magdalgatesoutofschoolclub55@yahoo.com).

### Carers Week

Carers Week is an annual campaign to raise awareness of caring and highlights the challenges young carers face and recognise the contribution they make to families. This is a week we have the chance to celebrate our Young Carers at school. A Young Carers is a child caring a parent, sibling or other family member who may have a long term illness or disability, mental health problem, learning disability or misuse of substances. Young Carers can find it difficult to balance their own needs and those they care for at home. Here at Magdalen Gates we pride ourselves in doing our best to recognise our young carers and we highlight that it is something to be proud of.

Here at school we run two "Care Rangers" club. For all EYFS and KS1 pupils this happens on a Friday lunchtime and KS2 club runs after school on Wednesdays. If you would like to know more about Care Rangers and what makes somebody a young carer please do come and have a look at our notice board in school or contact one of our Care Ranger staff members direct, Mrs Rose Chapman, Mrs Michelle Humphreys or Miss Victoria Arnull. We are also pleased to announce that our new Parent Support Advisor Ms Carrie Brown is also joining our Care Rangers Team.

### Silver Road Community Centre News

Julie Brociek-Coulton wishes to let our parents/carers know that Arnold Clarke have agreed to sponsor packed lunches for our local children in the Summer (and possibly the October and December holidays). Any families that may be feeling the pinch and who are currently not eligible for Free school meals are welcome to get in touch with Julie direct at the Silver Road Community Centre or call 07786694325. Parents will need to pick up sandwiches from the Silver Centre on a Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday lunchtime. Families will

be provided with two lots of packed lunches each session. This means that families can be fed for free for nearly the whole week. We hope parents will take advantage of this and contact Julie direct.

## **Yr 4's Farm Visit**

The sun was out for Year 4's trip to the farm last Wednesday. The children (and adults) had a fantastic time learning about the work that farmer Jeremy and team do at Eves Hill Farm. We got to meet some of the pigs, cows and chickens that live there and find out about how Jeremy runs his farm as ecologically friendly as possible by creating areas for pollinating insects and mixing his own chemical free compost. We spent time in the fields learning about the different crops that are produced and even milled some of our own flour from the wheat. The children loved the trip so much that some even said they'd now like to be farmers!

A massive thank you to all at Eves Hill farm and Jackie and Emily from the Country Trust's Food Discovery program who helped facilitate our trip. The children will be following up their adventure by planting some of the wheat seeds and fava beans they collected and adding it to our blooming veg patch that we will be feasting on at the end of term.

## **Community Fun Day at Mile Cross Library – Free Event**

A note for everyone's diaries! Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June from 11am – 4:30pm. A Community Fund day with free entertainment and local performances will be held at Mile Cross Library on Aylsham Road.

## **Update on Covid-19 Vaccinations for 5-11 year olds**

The Department of Education have asked all schools to inform their parents/carers that they are able to book Covid -19 vaccination appointments online at a local vaccination centre or pharmacy. Please note that to get vaccinated you do need an appointment. All parents should have received a letter from the NHS with information on how to get their child vaccinated.

For up to date information and how to book online please follow the link.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>

## **The Education Hub**

The Education Hub is a site for parents, pupils, education professionals and captures all you need to know about the education system. You'll find accessible, straightforward information on popular topics, Q&As, interviews, case studies, and more at <https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/>

## **Little Reminders**

- We are accumulating a lot of lost items at school! Please clearly name all items of clothing, water bottles and lunchboxes etc. This allows us to match the item with the owner.
- If there are any late changes to pick up at the end of the day, please can we ask that you call the school office to ensure that the message is passed on.

- Please ensure that lunches are **ordered in advance**. If you have any problems or issues logging in to Eduspot please come along and speak to one of the ladies in the school office who will be happy to help you.

## DIARY DATES

Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup>		QE2 Jubilee workshops in school
Tue 24 <sup>th</sup>		QE2 Jubilee workshops in school
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	All pupils	JUBILEE EVENT - <b>NON UNIFORM – Celebration clothing (NO football kits) and Jubilee tea party for pupils</b>
	Parents/Carers	<b>2:30 pm Parent event in the playground – ALL WELCOME</b>
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> May	All	SCHOOL CLOSSES at 3.15pm for HALF TERM
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> June	All	School reopens
		ART WEEK & CARERS WEEK
Tue 7 <sup>th</sup>	All	Art workshops
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>	All	Whole Class Photographs
Wk beginning 13 <sup>th</sup>	All	Parent Teacher consultations - TBC
Thr 23 <sup>rd</sup>	New Parents	2022 New Intake meeting 4pm
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup>	All	SEND bookable appts
Tue 28 <sup>th</sup>	Yr4	Trip to Dragonhall
Thr 30 <sup>th</sup>	Yr5	Royal Norfolk Show visit (9am to 3pm)
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Yr2	Visit to Thorpe Marshes
	All	Summer Musical Concert
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> July		Food Discovery – Harvest Festival
Thr 7 <sup>th</sup>	Yr6	Theatre production at Plantation Gardens
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS	School reports
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>	AM	Sports Day
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	New intake	2022 New Intake stay and play sessions
Tue 19 <sup>th</sup>	AM	Sports Day (back up)
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	All	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS

## Attachments

Young Carers Week info  
 Mile Cross Community Fun Day  
 Nursery Letter to all parents/carers  
 Free Classes at The Garage  
 CNS Fest 22 - £1 entry  
 Tennis camps





# COMMUNITY FUN DAY

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Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear parents and carers,

### Nursery Provision at Magdalen Gates Primary School

I have some fantastic and exciting news to share with you all...

## **We are opening a Nursery!**

The governors of the school have decided that the school should open a Nursery provision for the children in the Magdalen Gates School Community in the old pre-school rooms on the school site.

We are intending to offer provision that is:

- A 3-hour session every morning from Monday to Friday
- Paid for by 15 hours of childcare funding
- Designed to support the children with having a fantastic start to their educational journey
- Linked closely to the school curriculum so that transition through the Early Years and Primary phase is seamless
- Meeting the needs of all children in the community

If you would like to receive an admission form to reserve a place, please contact the school office by phone: 01603 622675 or by email: [office@magdalengates.co.uk](mailto:office@magdalengates.co.uk)

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Mr C Hutchinson  
Headteacher





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### Mini Camps (5 - 10 yrs)

9:00 - 11:30am

### Junior Camps (11 - 15 yrs)

12:00 - 2:30pm

£30 for 2 days of tennis!

### Venues:

Eaton Park, NR4 7AZ

East Anglia Tennis & Squash Club, NR2 2NQ

Taverham Tennis Club, NR8 6JR

Sportspark UEA, NR4 7TJ



For information & bookings:  
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