

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am pleased to include with this newsletter the full results of our recent stakeholder survey. As I mentioned in the last newsletter, the results were very positive and reflected the vision and values of the school well. In the attached document, you will see that I have summarised the results and provided a school response/commentary on them too. Hopefully, this shows that all feedback is valued and acted upon. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

In line with our vision and values, it was lovely to see so many children dressed in 'spooky' costumes at the Spooky Day Disco before half-term. We pride ourselves on making events like this as inclusive as possible so that every member of our school can attend if they wish to. Huge thanks go to the staff and members of the PTA Of who gave their time so that the event could go ahead. These people are often the unsung heroes the wider school life and therefore it is important to say thank you when we can.

Mr Hutchinson

Christmas Festivities – diary watch!

Tues 12th Dec-KS1 Nativity after school (times TBC)

Thurs 14th Dec-KS1 Nativity-am (times TBC)

Wed 13th Dec- Xmas Lunch

KS2 Carols-after school (times TBC)

Coats in school

Please ensure your child has a coat in school everyday.

Children In Need

On Friday November 17th we can all do something to support this worthy cause. For a small donation (payable online more details to follow) pupils may wear non-uniform. The theme this year will be spots and stripes. However, please ensure your child's outfit enables him or her to participate in normal school activities including PE and outdoor play.

Reminders

- All children who have asthma should have their inhalers in school every day.
- We are a nut free school. This includes Nutella!
- It is important that all pupils remember their books on their set class library days
- The new lunch menu has now gone live – Please remember lunches need to be ordered in **advance**. The school's kitchen team cook to order. Due to our commitment to reduce waste (in all forms) the kitchen does not have 'spares'.
- School opens from 8:30am. Pupils are expected to be in class by 8:45am for registration. If your child arrives after 9am please ensure they are signed in at the school office
If at all possible, we ask that you make appointments (Doctors, dentists, Embassy) out of school hours. Thank you.

Tapestry IMPORTANT

Our vision is to see every parent/carer accessing and engaging with their child's homework and class observation on Tapestry. This platform helps us to share with you your child's learning, wherever you may be.

We are offering an opportunity for our parents/carers to access a 10-minute "help slot" on 10th November. These slots are for those who are having difficulties with setting up an account (or just need some general help) We will also be contacting parents who have not accessed their account since July. Please call the school office on 01603 622675 to make an appointment. Thank you

School Contact Details

School Office hours – 8:15am – 3:30pm Telephone 01603 622675
Email Office@magdalengates.co.uk
Out of school club contact –
01603 343881 3.30pm-5.30 pm only

Diary Dates

November

1st – 9-10:30 am OPEN Day for new parents
2nd – 4-5:30pm OPEN Day for new parents
10th – 8:30-12pm Tapestry Help Desk – see information for more detail
15th – School Photographer
17th – Children in Need Day – Non-school uniform
20th – Book fair – More details to follow!

December

12th – School Flu Vaccination team return – 2nd visit
1-3pm - Yr3 and Yr4 – visit to the Garage for Pinocchio performance
20th – School closes 3:15 for Christmas.

January 2024

4th Jan – Return to school

ATTENDANCE MATTERS -

Whole school attendance up to the end of half term was-94.8 %