



Malvern Parish C of E Primary School

The Half-Termly Times

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LATEST NEWS



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our first newsletter of the academic year. I can't quite believe we have reached half term already! Thank you for your cooperation and understanding since the start of term. We feel that the policies and procedures that we have in place have kept our children and staff safe so far and we hope that this will continue as we move forward with as little disruption as possible. We will obviously continue to follow government guidelines but very much look forward to welcoming more of you into school next half term with PTA events planned and volunteers coming into school to read with children.

PE

Next half term, we will continue to have PE lessons outside as much as possible and ask that children continue to come dressed in their PE kit on those days. However, in order to keep them warm we are formally introducing a winter outdoor PE kit of navy blue joggers and a light blue hoodie. Many children wear these items of clothing already and look very smart. The Malvern Parish hoodie can be purchased from Kitz UK, but a plain hoodie is fine if you prefer. We expect that children will be wearing their winter PE uniform from next half term. If you have any problems with this, please do not hesitate to speak to me.

Parent Teacher Consultation Meetings

Parent Teacher consultation meetings will take place **online** again this year. Please book your child's appointment using the new Arbor system. The Teachers will then send an invitation email to the meeting commencing Tuesday 2nd November.

Year R

Our new reception class have made a fabulous start to school and settled in really well. From Tuesday 2nd November parents can leave their children at the playground gate and the children can make their own way to the classroom. School staff will be on hand to help if required. For home time the gate will be open at **3:05pm** and Mrs Lowndes will bring the children to the playground at the end of the school day at **3:15pm**.

Year 6

This half term the Year 6 children were able to visit Arete Outdoor Centre in Llanrug, North Wales. They thoroughly enjoyed their days of activities. Enjoy looking at the pictures on our website.

Finally, to help ease a little congestion along the school path the playground gate will be open from 8:30am so you may stand and wait on the playground if you wish to. Please ensure children do not play on the playground equipment during this time.

I hope you all stay safe and well during half term and I look forward to welcoming you back to school on Tuesday 2nd November. With very best wishes.

Have a great half term!

**We will see you all on
Tuesday 2nd November 2021**





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LOST PROPERTY

There is a considerable amount of lost property in the box by the main door. If you have lost any items, please ask a member of staff to have a look at the end of the school day.

Many thanks



APPLYING FOR RECEPTION & HIGH SCHOOL PLACES FOR SEP 2022

Applications are now open to apply for Reception and YR 7 High School places for September 2022. Please visit Worcestershire County Council website:

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions where parents can make an online application or they can contact 01905 822700 to obtain support in making an application.

	Primary School	High School
Applications Open on	1 September 2021	1 September 2021
Closing Dates	15 January 2022	31 October 2021
School Offer Notification Dates	16 April 2022	1 March 2022



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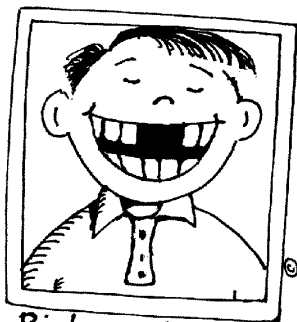
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SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographer will be making a final collection on **Friday 5th November**, so please ensure all orders are in by this date.

Many thanks



ARBOR PARENT PORTAL Arbor

Thank you to all those parents/carers that have set up the Arbor parent portal & App. We have 93% of parents that have created their accounts. You will be able to:

- Register their child for an after school club.
- Book parent consultation slots.
- Update information about your child & your contact details.
- Parents can also check in on their child's attendance.

Please let the school office know if you are having any issues.

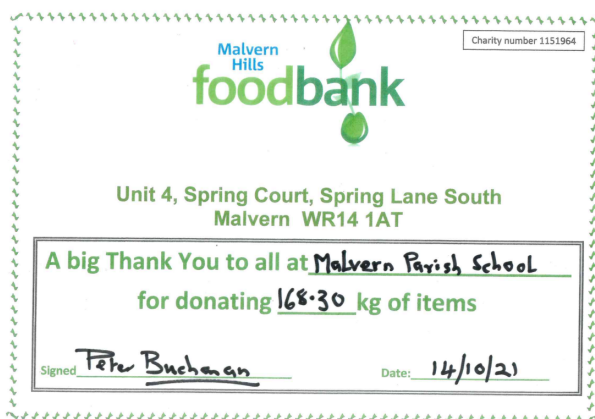
ParentPay will continue to be used for payments and booking Early/Late sessions.

HARVEST

We celebrated harvest in school with a special harvest service which was lead by Y6 children and Rev'd Peter from St Andrew's and All Saints. To add to the celebration, the children came to school dressed in autumn colours.

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations for the 'Food Bank' and for your support in raising £335.05 for our chosen charity – Mabawa Primary School.

A big well done!





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VALUE

Our Christian Value for this half term has been Friendship.



Our Christian value for next half term will be Peace.



ATTENDANCE

YR — 95.3%	Y1 — 92.5%
Y2 — 94.4%	Y3 — 96.9%
Y4 — 96.1%	Y5 — 94.2%
Y6 — 96.5%	

Despite the circumstances we find ourselves in attendance, our attendance this year so far stands at 95.1%. This is very good and above the national average. Attendance is closely monitored and reported to the DfE on a daily basis. If your child is ill, please telephone, send an in-app message or email the school office as soon as possible, on the first day of absence.

If your child has symptoms of Coronavirus (Covid 19) i.e. temperature, continuous cough or loss of taste/smell, please tell us, access a coronavirus PCR test and keep your child off school until you have the result. If it is negative, they can return to school (as soon as they are feeling well if applicable). If your child's test is positive, they should stay at home for 10 days (or longer if they still feel unwell).

SEVERN ARTS MUSIC LESSONS

Please make payment via ParentPay for your child's music lessons. For the Autumn term. Thank you.

Please remember that Severn Arts need half a terms notice for any changes including cancellations to music tuition.



EARLY BIRD & LATE

Please ensure that if you require Early/Late Birds you have booked your sessions on ParentPay for the remainder of the Autumn term.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PTA



With such a hard couple of years, we are so happy that we have been able to get up and running again. So far this year, we have welcomed lots of new members to the team and are excited to announce that we will be hosting our first event for this academic year on 12th November and it will be followed by many more throughout the year. We are, however, always looking for new members and welcome fresh ideas! So if you are interested in joining the team then please do not hesitate to contact a member of the P.T.A or your class representatives.

Please don't forget to like our page on Facebook, Instagram and follow the P.T.A page on the school website for news, events and updates and also remember to buy your tickets at [yourschoollottery.co.uk](https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk) to be in with a chance of winning weekly cash prizes including a £25,000 jackpot prize!

FILM NIGHT

The P.T.A will be hosting a film night on the **12th November 3.30pm till 5.30pm £2.50.**

Each year group will vote on an age appropriate film to watch in their individual classrooms. Ticket price includes popcorn and drink.

Please purchase tickets through ParentPay before **8th November.**

Thank you.



Calling All Wizards
SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY & YOU COULD WIN:

Harry Potter & The Cursed Child Family Theatre Voucher & Harry Potter Warner Brothers Studio Family Tour Ticket

- Please help boost school fundraising
- Cash prize every week
- Win up to £25,000
- Tickets cost just £1 a week

BUY TICKETS

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 30th Oct 2021. Terms and conditions apply (see website)

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

Please follow the link to purchase tickets.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/malvern-parish-c-of-e-primary-school>

MESSAGE FROM RED HEN



The menus till the end of the Autumn term will be available from the evening of Friday 22nd October. The last date to place an order for delivery on the first day of term will be **Thursday 28th October 2021.**

Please note that if you do not receive a confirmation email with an order number then the order has not been placed/processed correctly and the meals will not have been recorded on the system and therefore will not be delivered.

If you experience any difficulties at all please email info@redhencookery.co.uk and the owners will get back to you as soon as possible to assist.



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SPORTS NEWS

We have been very fortunate to participate in two sporting fixtures this term.

Eight Y4's went to play Quicksticks Hockey at the Chase School. Showing great determination, they won their group matches but lost in the semi-final to come 4th out of twelve teams from around the county. They showed all our sports values and were a pleasure to take - well done Y4!



This week, ten Y6 children took part in 'Warm Up' Netball matches at the Chase. Mrs Secretan gave us all a masterclass, throughout the afternoon, working on different elements of the game. The Parish Seahawks and The Parish Panthers played matches against Callow End and Rushwick, with the Chase Young Leader umpires focussing on the different elements throughout the matches. Thank you to Jack and Josh who managed the Seahawks. The children really benefited from the coaching which bodes well for the start of the Netball league in the spring.





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DIARY DATES

OCTOBER 2021

22nd	Break up for half term
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NOVEMBER 2021

1st	INSET Day—School closed to pupils
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2nd	School open to pupils
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DECEMBER 2021

17th	Term Ends
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JANUARY 2022

4th	INSET Day—School closed to pupils
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5th	School open to children
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PARKING

We are asking that everyone be thoughtful and careful when parking during school drop off and pick up times. Parking is an issue for all schools, but if we all take extra care we can keep the children safe.

- **Don't park in the staff car park.**
- **Don't park on school markings or double yellow lines.**
- **Don't park on the pavement.**
- **Don't block driveways.**
- **Don't double park - remember vehicles need to get through and that might include emergency vehicles or vans/lorries.**
- **Don't speed - watch for pedestrians.**

We appreciate your support with this important matter.

