Great Massingham CE Primary School
Living, Learning & Flourishing

WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

'I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.' Psalm 32:8

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back everyone. This is a shorter half term but there is lots going on. We have Easter services booked on...

- Harpley Easter service - Thursday 26th March 2-3pm @ St Lawrence church Harpley
- Great Massingham Easter service - Friday 27th March 2-3pm @ St Mary's church GM

Please join us if you can.

Our residential is coming up for years 5 & 6. The children will be meeting with staff to talk more about this next week.

Polite reminder:
Toys from home are not allowed in school unless this has been specifically arranged as part of a child's support with the SENDCO. Thank you for your help with this.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th March - Parents Consultations. Appointments can be made via pupil asset.
Thursday 5th March – World Book Day. We invite pupils to dress up as their favourite book character – if they wish to. Please note a different menu is being served this day.
Monday 16th – Wednesday 18th March – Year 5 & 6 on federated Eaton Vale Residential trip.

Message from the PFA

Big Thank You from the PFA
The children had lots of fun breaking some rules on the last day of term. We had crazy hair, fun outfits and some cheeky snacks!
Thank you for your donations, a fabulous £85 was raised.

Wraparound

It is with much regret that I inform you our wraparound provision will cease at the end of the spring term Friday 27th March 2026. Our DFE funded programme was due to end at Easter and this has now been confirmed. A replacement funded programme has not been offered.
Due to our low numbers attending wraparound we have been unable to outsource the provision or make it financially viable on our own. If new options arise to enable this to run again, we will do so.

REGULAR DATES

Mondays: Guitar lessons with Toby Rideout. To sign up please contact Toby via email toby@rideoutmusic.co.uk
Tuesdays: PE with Active Education – **All children to come to school in PE Kit.**
Wednesdays: *Year 3 & 4 Children to come to school in PE Kit.*
Drum lessons with Tom Relihan. To sign up please contact Tom via email tomrelihan@gmx.com
Thursdays: *Infant children to come into school in PE Kit,*
Fridays: *Year 5 & 6 children to come into school in PE Kit.*
Afterschool Nerf Club, run by Active Education. https://activeeducation.info/

All absences must be reported to the school office, for each day of absence.

ATENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is 97%.			
Attendance	INFANTS	JUNIORS	OVERALL
February	**95%**	**95%**	**95%**

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This half term the children are learning about the importance of truthfulness and later this half term they will be learning about the Easter story.
Bible quote: 'Tell the truth to each other.' Zechariah 8.16

Our School Vision is: " I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you" (Psalm 32:8).

Our 5 Core Values:



Kind regards and have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Myhill and the Great Massingham team

News from Infants (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

The children in the Infant class have returned this week with rested, bright minds, positivity and enthusiasm for all their learning.
The class enjoyed starting their new text in English, learning about the famous American pilot Amelia Earhart, they had lots of great questions about her life and wrote setting descriptions using a 'birds-eye' aerial view like a pilot.
In maths, the children have rehearsed their knowledge of the two and tens times tables facts to solve multiplications and divisions. Also, they have worked hard on their understanding of odd and even numbers.
In science, the class has started to explore different materials and went on a material scavenger hunt to find materials including wood, plastic, rubber and metal.
In Learning for Life we discussed the use of the internet, ensuring we use it safely and wisely, taking note or talking to an adult if anything concerns them.
It has been so lovely to see the children using the outdoor learning environment to enhance their investigative skills, hopefully the sunshine will continue well into next week and beyond.









News from Years 3 & 4

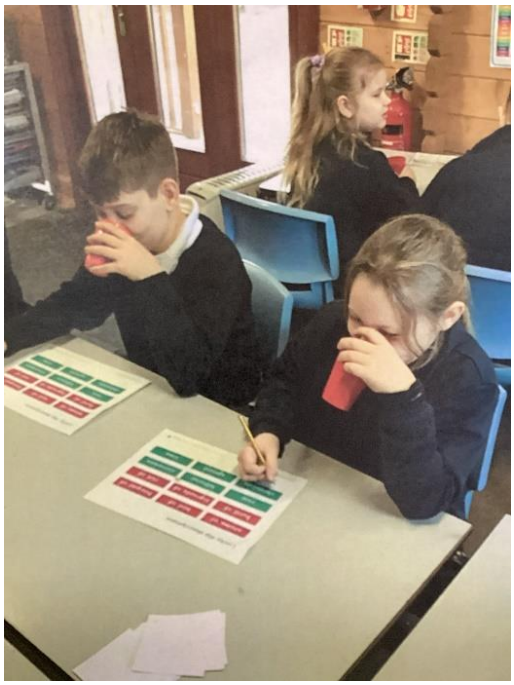
We have come back all refreshed from our half term break and have really shown that we are ready to learn.

To start the week off we became tea taster apprentices ready to enjoy our new writing focus book 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' I think some of us might enjoy the book more than the tea!

Our new reading focus book 'How does a lighthouse work?' has already got us thinking and asking questions about lighthouses and we are hoping the book will tell us more.

Mrs Stuart and Mrs Oake have been very proud of how everyone is showing a great understanding of fractions and it is wonderful to see how we have remembered our learning even after a week's break.

We were also lucky to be out and enjoying the first spring sunshine during our PE lesson and as you can see from the photos we are enthusiastically learning some key tennis skills.





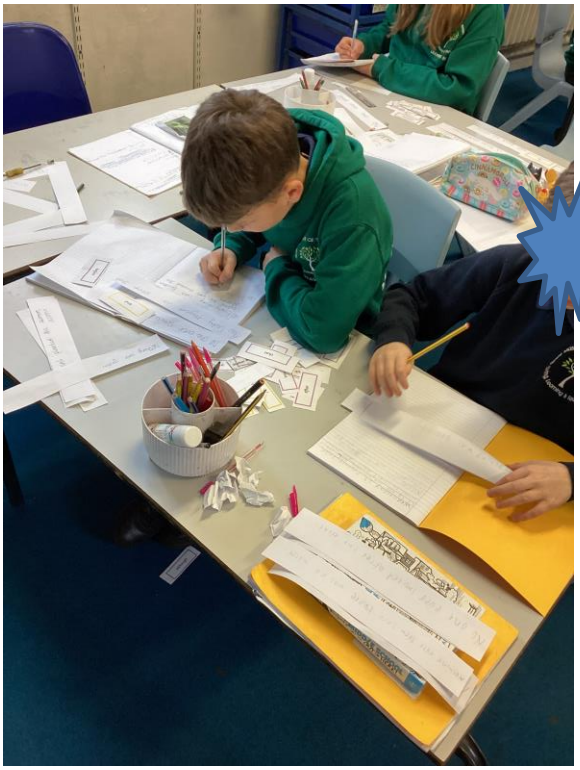


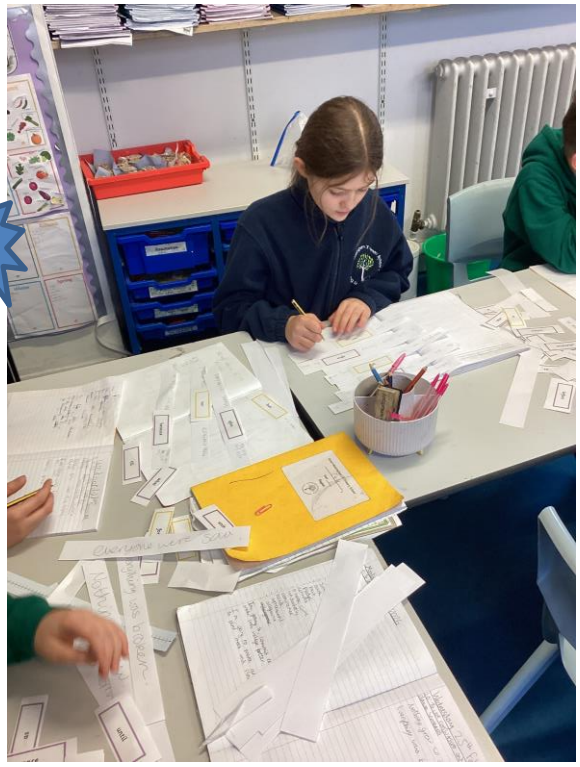




News from Years 5 & 6

We have had a great first week back, starting lots of new, exciting projects.
In writing we have been reading 'The Promise' by Nicola Davies and thinking about how we can make sustainable life choices. On Monday, we went for a walk around the village to look at what green spaces we have and how we can look after them. We also considered if there were any places that we know of that could benefit from more greenery. We all learnt to appreciate how lucky we are to have access to so many green spaces!
In art and reading we have been looking at cityscapes and how life can be different in urban areas to rural areas. We have thought about what life might be like living in high rise buildings and how these experiences can be conveyed through writing and different art mediums.
We have also strayed a new topic thinking about money in PSHE. The class were all eager to share their views and opinions on why money is important to them and what they used their money for. We thought about how money can influence our lives and reflected on the idea that money can't buy happiness.











Infants: Mia C for her brilliant love for learning and discovering.

Years 3 & 4: Alice for fantastic concentration and hard work.

Years 5 & 6: Erin for her great focus and perseverance this week.

PE Stars of the Week: Theo, Ralphy & Eden.

GREAT MASSINGHAM VILLAGE HALL WHATS ON

Build Your Own Burger Saturdays 4.00-9.00pm. **Norfolk Pie Hole** First Wednesday of each month 7-9.30pm

Bar open:
Wednesday – Friday 7.00 – 11.00pm
Saturday 4.00 – 11.00pm
Sunday 12 Noon – 6.00pm

6th March – Bingo. Doors open 7.00pm
14th March – Motown night in the bar 8.00pm
17th March - Community Lunch.
18th March – Creative Arts. 1.00pm
21st March – Mick Fisher country & western singer. 7.30pm. Pay on the door
26th March – Fundraising Bingo. Door open 7.00pm.
29th March – Auction.
4th April – Football Club Disco.