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,

Next week is the year 5&6 residential to Eaton Vale. I know the children are very excited about the activities ahead.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 16th – Wednesday 18th March – Year 5 & 6 on the Federated Eaton Vale Residential trip.
Friday 27th March - Easter Service at St Mary's Church. 2pm.
Friday 27th March – Last day of term.
Tuesday 14th April - First day of term.
Tuesday 30th June – Sports Day.

Polite reminder: I wrote to you all recently about small changes to our communications with parents and carers. The staff at the federation work extremely hard and care deeply about the welfare and progress of your children. With this in mind, please treat every member of our school community with the respect they deserve. I understand that emotions can run high at times and we are here to listen, support, and try to resolve any concerns. If anyone needs another copy of the letter please ask at the office. Many thanks for your support with this, it is much appreciated.

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 week in collective worship, the children have been learning about our responsibility to tell the truth and how trust can be forged when we do this.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long. Psalm 25:5

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).

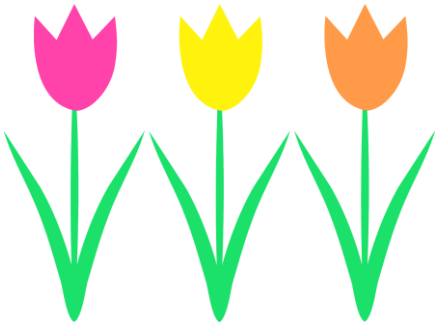
Our 5 Core Values:



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

Mothering Sunday Songs of Praise

St Mary's Great Massingham
10:30am on Sunday 15th March
All are welcome to join us as we celebrate Mothers Day!



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

The children have enjoyed another busy week in the Infants. They've loved getting stuck into measuring using a range of methods to measure in centimetres, metres and their own approaches, measuring their bodies and feet was a firm favourite!
In English, the children have got stuck into their text 'Oi Frog!' and have used this as a base to explore positional language to create descriptive sentences and writing commands to give advice to the frog.
The children have continued to enjoy building on their tennis skills in PE and also had lots of fun throwing and catching in some incredibly challenging conditions, thanks to the wind!
In Skills for Life the class thought about why rules are important, why we have them and examples of rules at home, school and in public places.
Also, Science Week was lots of fun, the children took part in a number of activities to deepen their knowledge of materials by testing and trying them out.










News from Years 3 & 4

It's been another busy and productive week in the Year 3 and 4 cabin. The children have really focussed on their presentation, paying attention to neat handwriting throughout all their work. The class are enthralled in our latest reading text 'How does a lighthouse work?' and have produced some wonderful writing, summarising what happens when it is foggy, exploring new vocabulary and retrieving answers from the text. Everyone has been fascinated about lighthouses, what they look like, how they work and lighthouses around the world.

In maths, the children have got stuck in with their learning on capacity, focussing on converting litres and millilitres, adding and subtracting volumes of water and solving challenging capacity based problems.

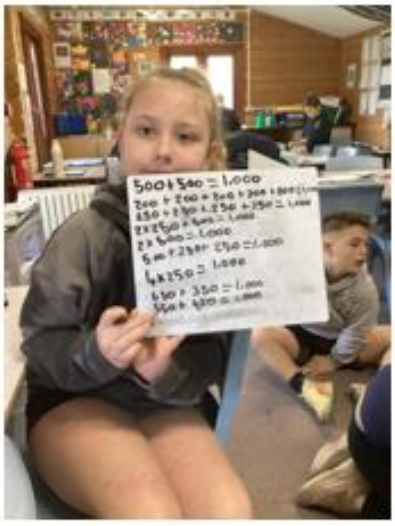
In geography, the class have been keen to learn more about Italy, particularly Campania and have compared it to our own region.

In music, the class enjoyed learning more notes on the recorders and then had a go at a popular 'Lion King' track.











News from Years 5 & 6

This week we have been getting ready for the Easter service by practicing our lines and beginning to make props. We have been busy making our puppets using old socks and lots of glue! We can't wait for you all to see our performance!

It is British science week this week, so we have done a variety of science activities. We have been investigating the effect of washing our hands by seeing how quickly bread can go mouldy depending on what we have touched. We will have to wait until next week for the results! We have also been thinking about how boats can float, and have tested our own models using paper and marbles.

We have completed lots of assessments and all the children have done really well, trying their best and showing great perseverance; they should all be very proud of themselves.











Infants: Iris for her efforts in all her learning but especially her writing.

Years 3 & 4: Albie for fantastic effort and attitude to learning.

Years 5 & 6: Noah for his excellent efforts in art and writing.

PE Stars of the Week: [redacted], Riley & Lily D.

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

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.
28th March – Nelson's Shantymen 7.30pm £5.00
29th March – Auction.
4th April – Football Club Disco.
12th April – Auction.
15th April – Creative Arts. 1.00pm
16th April – Film Night 7.0pm.
17th April – Historical Society. 7.00pm

