



# MPS Head's Newsletter

Reflecting the Kingdom of God by Enriching and Transforming Lives

## December

15th	<p>Christmas Baking Week continued          10am Rocksteady Concert in school hall          Year 4, 5 and 6 to Rose Theatre – Cinderella – pick up from Rose Theatre at 4.15pm or from Malden Parochial at 5.15pm*</p>	
16th	Alice in Wonderland performance (in-school) – children will make Alice in Wonderland dress up in school	
17th	Christmas Lunch – please order via ParentPay	
18th	Christmas Parties	
19th	End of Autumn Term children leave at <b>2pm - No Night Owls</b>	

## January

5th	INSET all staff in school no pupils
6th	Children return to school at 8.30am
15th	<b>Reception 2026 Application deadline</b>

### Christmas Lunch

Please order your child's Christmas lunch for Wednesday 17th December in the usual way by logging on to your ParentPay account.

### \*Important Notice: Years 4, 5, & 6 Panto Collection Update

Due to the significant potential for heavy rush-hour traffic during the return journey, we cannot accurately predict the time that students travelling back on the school bus will arrive. Therefore, we are strongly encouraging parents to collect their child(ren) directly from the Rose Theatre at 4:15 PM.

If you are unable to collect your child from the theatre, they will be brought back to school by staff on the bus. Please be aware that their return to school could be as late as 6:00pm, depending on traffic conditions. Parents will be updated on any significant delays via ParentMail.

Please complete the Google Form below by the morning of Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December to confirm your updated collection preference.

[Collection Arrangements](#)

## Wraparound Care Bookings Now Live for Spring Term 2026

### Early Birds and Night Owls

- All Early Birds and Night Owls sessions must be booked and paid for in advance for the entire half term. **The deadline date for bookings is Wednesday 17th December 2025.**
- Tax-Free Childcare Vouchers: if you wish to continue paying for your provision using tax-free childcare vouchers, you will still need to inform the school office of your child's required dates for the half term in advance. Payment via vouchers must also cover the full half term booking period.
- Sessions booked via ParentMail will be required to be paid for in advance to secure your child's place.



### Emergency and last-minute bookings

- Early Birds - emergency/last minute bookings for Early Birds can only be made a day in advance directly via the school office. We cannot accommodate same-day bookings for the morning session.
- Night Owls - emergency/last minute bookings for Night Owls must be made directly via the school office.
- Emergency/last minute bookings: payment can only be made via ParentMail, an invoice will be raised once place has been confirmed, subject to availability.
- Last minute booking charges: Early Birds £10.00 per session - Night Owls £13.00 half session - Night Owls £23.00 full session
- Terms and Conditions ([please click here](#)), to secure place, please complete when you make your booking selection.
- Medical/Dietary requirements: please advise the school office immediately of any current or new medical or dietary requirements your child may have.



### Clubs

In-house Club - Science - only open to Year 1 & 2 children this term (Maximum 20 children)

In-house Club - Choir - only open to Year 3 to 6

**\* deadline date for interest in applying for a place is Wednesday 17th December.**

### Christmas Parties

The children will be celebrating the festive season with their classmates at a Christmas party on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December. It promises to be a fun and memorable afternoon filled with seasonal cheer!



All children are warmly invited to wear their suitable party clothes for the day. Additionally, we would be grateful if you could send your child in with a small, individual snack (such as a packet of crisps, or a piece of fruit – please no packets to share) that they can enjoy during the party festivities alongside their friends. We look forward to a fantastic end-of-term celebration!



### Newsworthy Nativity!

We welcomed Sky News to film the Year 1 and 2 performance this morning for a news segment about traditional Nativity shows in schools. The crew thought our children were amazing. The date and time of broadcasting will be shared as soon as we hear.



### Educational Excellence at Malden Parochial What is happening in schools these days?

#### The Best Homework: 10 Minutes a Day

While we set various tasks and activities, I want to emphasise that the single most important 'homework' a parent can do is to dedicate time each day, even just **10 to 15 minutes**, to sit and read with your child. This isn't just about hearing them read their school book; it's about **you** reading to them, sharing a story, and enjoying the magic of words together. This precious time is an act of **enrichment** that builds a deep, loving connection and models the joy of lifelong learning.

#### Why is Reading Aloud So Transformative?

- **Bridging the 'Word Gap':** Research shows a significant difference in the number of words children hear depending on their home environment. By reading aloud, you introduce your child to a much wider range of sophisticated vocabulary.
- **Vocabulary Growth:** A 2019 study published in the *Journal of Developmental and Behavioural Paediatrics* calculated the cumulative impact of reading. It found that children who are read just **five books a day** enter Reception having heard approximately **1.4 million more words** than children who were never read to. Even reading one book a day exposes a child to nearly **290,000 more words** by age five.
- **Academic Success:** A rich vocabulary is a direct predictor of success across the entire curriculum. If a child understands the words used in a science textbook or a history lesson, they can access the knowledge. This is a fundamental way we **transform their lives** and future prospects.

Week Beginning: 17th November 2025

Date	Book and page	Comment
17/11	People who help	We talked about the fire engine and how people in the fire station help people in the town.
18/11	The hedgehog	We read about the hedgehog and how it curls up like a ball.
19/11	People who help	We read about the fire engine and how people in the fire station help people in the town.
20/11	The hedgehog	We read about the hedgehog and how it curls up like a ball.
21/11	People who help	We read about the fire engine and how people in the fire station help people in the town.
22/11	The hedgehog	We read about the hedgehog and how it curls up like a ball.
23/11	The hedgehog	We read about the hedgehog and how it curls up like a ball.

Week Beginning: 1st December 2025

Date	Book and page	Comment
01-12	Harry Potter Pg 182-186	Sammy says "this is exciting!"
02-12	Pg 187-195	Super reading
03-12	Pg 196-200	Great reading
04-12	The little Prince Pg 1-23	Just for a change!
05-12	Pg 24-38	Carried on with this tonight.
07-12	Harry Potter Pg 201-207	back on "his" tonight. Good reading.

Week beginning: 24th November 2025

Date	Book and page	Comment
23/11	A Pin The man whose mother was a pirate	Penny reading to Mummy
24/11	Giraffe's can't Dance	Reading with Mummy
25/11	Pet it The Magic Bunny Grandma's House	Reading with Mummy
26/11	Pat it The Magic Bunny	Reading some words with autonomy. Fluency. Reading with Mummy + Daddy
27/11	Pat it	Excellent Reading!
28/11	Childrens Bible	Reading with Mummy
29/11	childrens Bible	Reading with Mummy

## Celebration Station

Congratulations to this week's Class Stars! (Y5) Joshua (Y3) Laith (Y2) Otto (Y1) Lana (R) All of Reception.

We also had children receive **Values** and **Bee A Blessing** certificates. **Sebby, Qasim, Zara, Grace, Nicole, Enoch.**

Well done everyone!



## Good Work Bags given out this week

Reception

- Penelope

Year 4

- Lennon

Year 2

- Anaya
- Georgia
- Maia
- Grace
- Isla
- Anaya
- Otto
- Nathan
- Sophie
- Arlen

Year 5

- Daniel

## 25 and 50 Reads Completed!

Gayeong (3)

Anjenan (4)

Teddy (2)

Anisa (2)

Holly (2)

Thansiya (2)

Max (2)

Ethan (3)

Amelia (3)

Ibraheem (R)

Luca (R)

Oscar (R)

Penelope (R)

James (R)

Enoch (R)

Livvy (2)

Eden (5)

Well done to Owen for 100 reads!

**MPS Feedback Form** – [click here](#) if you would like to give any feedback or comments to share with Mrs McMullan.

### Preventing the Spread of Illnesses

To help everyone manage the health and well-being of our community, we have linked to some important public health guidance regarding:

- Managing childhood illness: What to do if your child feels unwell.
- Preventing the spread of infection: Simple steps we can all take to keep everyone healthy.

Please take a moment to review the information linked below as following these guidelines is crucial for minimizing the spread of illness within the school and wider community.

- [NHS Guidance for Parents](#): Is my child too ill for school? – a useful resource to help parents decide when children should stay at home.
- [Preventing and Controlling Infections Guidance](#): Includes advice on vaccination, ventilation, and good respiratory hygiene.
- [A–Z of managing Infectious Diseases](#): Practical guidance on managing specific illnesses.



#### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – SEPTEMBER 2025 UNTIL JULY 2026

EARLY SCHOOL	CLUB NAME	YEAR GROUPS	TERM DATES
Thursday 8.00am-8.40am	Basketball Club	Yr3-Yr6	Spring Term 15th, 22nd, 29th January 5th, 12th, 26th February 5th, 12th, 19th March Summer Term 23rd, 30th April 7th, 14th, 21st May 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th June 2nd, 9th July
Thursday 8.45am-9.15am	Choir Club (In-house)	Yr3-Yr6	Spring Term 15th, 22nd, 29th January 5th, 12th, 26th February 5th, 12th, 19th March Summer Term 23rd, 30th April 7th, 14th, 21st May 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th June 2nd, 9th July
AFTER SCHOOL			
Monday 3.30pm-4.30pm	TMT Multi Sports	Yr1-Yr6	Spring Term 12th, 19th, 26th January 2nd, 9th, 23rd February 2nd, 9th, 16th March Summer Term TBC
Monday 3.30pm-4.30pm	Science Club (In-house – Miss Anderson) Years 1 & 2 Spring term £10.00 per session to be paid via ParentMail once place has been confirmed	Yr1 & Yr2 Spring Term	Spring Term 12th, 19th, 26th January 2nd, 9th, 23rd February 2nd, 9th, 16th March Summer Term TBC
Tuesday 3.30pm-4.30pm	Street Dance (KS2)	Yr3-6	Spring Term 13th, 20th, 27th January 3rd, 10th February 3rd, 10th, 17th March Summer Term 21st, 28th April 5th, 12th, 19th May 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th June 7th July
Wednesday 3.30pm-4.30pm	TMT Girls Football Club	Yr3-Yr6	Spring Term 14th, 21st, 28th January 4th, 11th, 25th February 4th, 11th, 18th March Summer Term 22nd, 29th April 6th, 13th, 20th May 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th June 1st, 8th July
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Friday 3.30pm-4.30pm	Chess Club	Yr1-Yr6	16th, 23rd, 30th January 6th, 13th February 6th, 13th, 20th March TBC
Friday 3.30pm-4.30pm	Street Dance (KS1)	KS1	Spring Term 16th, 23rd, 30th January 6th, 13th February 6th, 13th, 20th March Summer term 24th of April 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd of May 12th, 19th, 26th of June 3rd, 10th of July

<b>Spring term 1 2026</b> Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> January until Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March <b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February until 20<sup>th</sup> February – half term</b> <b>Spring term 2 2026</b> Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April until Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2026 <b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May until 29<sup>th</sup> May – half term</b> <b>Summer term 2026</b> Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June until Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	<b>Inset Days</b> Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July
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## Malden Parochial Multi Sports Club

**For** - All children in Year 1 to Year 6

**What we offer:**

- Safe & friendly environment following school & government guidelines
- **Play** a wide range of sports, games and activities
- **Develop** skills including Agility, Balance and Coordination
- **Enjoy** whilst learning

**Time** - 3.20pm - 4.30pm

**Dates** - Monday - **January** 12th, 19th, 26th **February** - 2nd, 9th, 23rd **March** - 2nd, 9th, 16th

**Cost** - £63 for 9 weeks paid by cash or Bank transfer to the following details:

**Matthew Smith**

**Acc No - 22651161**

**S/C - 23-05-80**

**To book** - Please email or message Matt & Tim with your child's info using the details below

07369 201542

[tmtsportscoaching@hotmail.com](mailto:tmtsportscoaching@hotmail.com)

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## Malden Parochial Girls Football Club

**For** - All Girls in KS2 (Years 3 to 6)

**What we offer:**

- Safe & friendly environment
- Play competitive/non-competitive games
- Develop a wide range of football skills
- Enjoy whilst learning

**Time** - 3.20pm - 4.30pm

**Dates** - Wednesday - **January** - 14th, 21st, 28th **February** - 4th, 11th, 25th **March** - 4th, 11th, 18th

**Cost** - £63 for 9 weeks paid by cash or Bank transfer to the following details:

**Matthew Smith**

**Acc No - 22651161**

**S/C - 23-05-80**

**To book** - Please email or message Matt with your daughters details

07369 201542

[tmtsportscoaching@hotmail.com](mailto:tmtsportscoaching@hotmail.com)

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## Malden Parochial Football Club

**For** - All Children in KS1 & KS2 (Years 1 to 6)

**What we offer:**

- Safe & friendly environment
- Play competitive/non-competitive games
- Develop a wide range of football skills
- Enjoy whilst learning

**Time** - 3.20pm - 4.30pm

**Dates** - **Thursday** - **January** - 15th, 22nd, 29th **February** - 5th, 12th, 26th **March** 5th, 12th, 19th

**Cost** - £63 for 9 weeks paid by cash or Bank transfer to the following details:

**Mr A Mesourouni**  
**Acc No - 66063768**  
**S/C - 30-94-42**

**To book** - Please email or message Tony with your Child's details

**07518 780524 or mmapfootballcoaching@hotmail.com**

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## Malden Parochial Basketball Club

**For** - All Children in KS2 (Years 3 to 6)

**What we offer:**

- Safe & friendly environment
- Play competitive/non-competitive games
- Develop a wide range of football skills
- Enjoy whilst learning

**Time** - 8am - 8.45pm

**Dates** - **Thursday** - **January** - 15th, 22nd, 29th **February** - 5th, 12th, 26th **March** 5th, 12th, 19th

**Cost** - £54 for 9 weeks paid by cash or Bank transfer to the following details:

**Cameron Shawyer**  
**Acc No - 95834050**  
**S/C - 04-00-03**

**To book** - Please email or message Cam (Mr Shawyer)

**07369230254 or tmtsportscoaching@hotmail.com**

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Malden Parochial C of E Primary School,

The Manor Drive,

Worcester Park,

Surrey.

KT4 7LW.

28.11.2025

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am pleased to inform you that Malden Parochial School will continue the Chess Club this Spring Term. It will be held, at the usual time, on Fridays after school between 3.30pm and 4.30pm. The first session starts on Friday the 16th January, and continues through the 23rd, 30th, and February 6th, and 13th, until half-term. Then, March 6th, 13th, and 20th. **8 weeks total.**

As I often say, chess shows one to be able to improve the quality of his/her concentration, decision-making skills and even sportsmanship! Beginners are welcome to my class, but I do recommend for those, and all other children who wish to join or rejoin the club from before, to try out the following website: [www.chesskids.me.uk](http://www.chesskids.me.uk). Do any lesson and then a quiz on it! Chess was even being shown on TV recently in Chess Masters: The endgame – Monday evenings some months ago!

My email is: [christopher\\_briscoe@hotmail.com](mailto:christopher_briscoe@hotmail.com) for further inquiries. The charge for this term will remain at £8.00 pounds per pupil per session. **8 weeks = £64.00**, Cheques, or bank transfer, payable to "C. Briscoe". If you wish to pay by bank transfer, my details are: Lloyds, account no: 01649187, sort code: 30-99-09 'Mark it Malden Parochial Chess Club'. Regards, Chris Briscoe

Malden Parochial C of E Primary School

I would like my child, ..... in class ..... to attend chess club on Friday after School from 3.30pm to 4.30pm until the end of Spring Term. The dates are Friday the 16th, 23rd, and 30th January and then the 6th, 13th of February, up to half-term. Then 6th, 13th and 20th March. **8 weeks in total.** I enclose a cheque for **£64.00**, payable to "C. Briscoe".

Signed: ..... (Parent/Guardian). Date: .....



## STREET DANCE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

**REC THURSDAYS 15:30-16:15**

**KS1 FRIDAYS 15:30-16:30**

**KS2 TUESDAYS 15:30-16:30**

- Choreography
- Fun and Inclusive Atmosphere
- Dance Games
- End-of-term Performances

### What does my child need?

Snack and bottle of water

### What to wear?

Comfortable clothes + TRAINERS (ex. track pants/ leggings/ shorts, t-shirt)

### How to sign up?

Email: [londoninstadance@gmail.com](mailto:londoninstadance@gmail.com)

Reference: MPS + Year Group

**£6.50 PER CLASS (PAID TERMLY)**  
**10% SIBLING DISCOUNT**

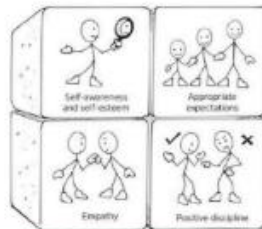
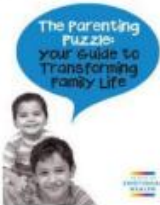
# The Parenting Puzzle

The 'Nurturing' programme helps deal with those challenges so that you can have a calmer happier family life. Suitable for parents and carers of children up to 11 years of age.

The course will help provide adults and children with the understanding, skills and ability to lead emotionally healthy lives, build resilience, empathy, self-esteem and support positive relationships.

Over 10 weeks you will look at different topics including:

- understanding why children behave as they do
- recognising the feelings behind behaviour (ours and theirs)
- exploring different approaches to discipline



Where: **Old Malden Family Hub, 100 Lawrence Ave, New Malden, KT3 5NB**

The group starts on **Thursday 15th January** and runs from **10am to 12.00pm** (term time only)

**Kingston courses:** Contact Karen Williams  
E: [karen.williams@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:karen.williams@achievingforchildren.org.uk)  
T: 07771 974388

**Richmond courses:** Contact Tom Maybey  
E: [tom.maybey@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:tom.maybey@achievingforchildren.org.uk)  
T: 07864 609913



## RIS: E YOUTH CLUB

**RESPECT, INSPIRE, SOCIALISE: EDGAR**

Edgar Road Community Centre, Edgar Road, TW4 5QP

For ages 9 to 16 years

We're back but this time on **Saturdays!**  
1:30-3:30pm...

Pop in for some arts and crafts, team games, jewellery making and much more...

There will be youth workers available every week to give support, advice and guidance whilst facilitating activities and providing resources.

So if you want to chat about life, school or simply have some fun we have something for everyone!



For more information, contact Richmond Youth Service:  
[youth.service@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:youth.service@achievingforchildren.org.uk)

