



MPS Head's Newsletter

Reflecting the Kingdom of God by Enriching and Transforming Lives

January	
20th	PTA Second-hand Uniform Sale Year 5 Young Voices Concert at O2 Arena – parents to collect from event
23rd	Year 6 Class Assembly – families take seats at 8.40am in hall
28th	Year 6 Trip to Imperial War Museum PTA Puzzle Sale – pick up from 3pm
29th	International Puzzle Day. Children will play puzzles in school
30th	9am PTA meeting in Art/DT room. All parents/ carers welcome to come meet the new PTA and hear about plans for 2026
February	
2nd	9am 2026 Open Morning for parents considering our Nursery
4th	Happy Bags Clothes Recycling Skipping Workshop
6th	NSPCC Number Day - wear a number. £1 donation for NSPCC
9th - 13th	Children's Mental Health Week Safer Internet Week Mock SATS Week Year 6
9th	9am 2026 Open Morning for parents considering our Nursery
11th	Year 4 Trip to the Polka Theatre - 'Who Let the Gods Out' Year 6 Junior Citizen Programme at Chessington World of Adventures
13th	Year 1 Trip to the Polka Theatre - 'Ruby's Worry'
16th to 20th February - Half Term	
23rd	8.30am Children return to school
25th	Ash Wednesday service in church – parents welcome
26th	Year 6 Trip to Troubadour, Wembley Park Theatre (Starlight Express)- pick up at Malden Manor Station
March – Women's History Month	
2nd	St David's Day St David's House wear yellow
3rd	Happy Bags Clothes Recycling
5th	Dress up for World Book Day Year 3 Trip to the Science Museum
6th	Nursery 2026 Application deadline
7th	PTA Quiz Night
9th	National Child Measurement Programme (Rec and Y6 only)
9th – 13th	Science Week Assessment Week
13th	Reception Class Assembly

17th	St Patrick's Day St Patricks house wear green
18th	Year 5 Easter Experience at New Malden Baptist Church
19th	Year 5 Tudor Day
23rd	10am Rocksteady Concert
24th	Parent Consultations (in-school) 3.45pm - 6.45pm
26th	Easter Bonnet Parade/Competition Parent Consultations (in-school) 3.45pm - 6.45pm
27th	Celebration assembly End of Spring Term children leave at 2pm - No Night Owls

PTA Correspondence

We'd be very grateful for donations of any unwanted uniform for a sale we'll be hosting on Tuesday 20th Jan after school. These can be dropped off at reception or given to the PTA at drop-off or pick-up on Monday.

Forest School Fence – Update

We had an exciting morning today as Fangorn Landscapes began work on our Forest School fence. This new addition is essential for securing our outdoor learning space and protecting our newly planted trees as they grow.

We are reaching out to our school community to ask for your support in completing this project. We are inviting families to donate £50 toward the cost of the fence, and in return, your family name and an optional message will be proudly displayed on the structure. We would like to extend a sincere thank you to the families who have already donated.

If you would like to contribute and have your family's name included, please click on the link below to complete the Google Form and register your interest:

[Forest School Fence Donation Link](#)

Thank you in advance for your continued support in enhancing our Forest School environment.



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

What even happens on INSET days?

Teachers are required to have 5 training days an academic year; staff meet with visiting speakers and to engage with research to keep us at the forefront of current education practice. This year we had training from an educational psychologist about John Bowlby's attachment theory. Bowlby was a British psychiatrist and psychoanalyst well-known for his work in child development and Attachment Theory

What is Attachment Theory?

Bowlby described attachment as a "lasting psychological connectedness between human beings". Attachment-aware practice in schools emphasises the importance of secure emotional bonds between children and caregivers. An "attachment aware" school recognises how these bonds (or their absence) affect learning, behaviour, and wellbeing.

What "Attachment Aware" Means in Schools

Staff are trained to understand how attachment and trauma affect behaviour and learning. Teachers prioritise trust, consistency and emotional safety in classrooms. Staff help children name, understand and regulate feelings. Behaviour policies are adapted to recognise that some children's actions stem from unmet emotional needs, not defiance. Schools integrate awareness of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and provide nurturing environments that support recovery.

What are ACEs?

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) are traumatic or stressful events in childhood like abuse (physical, emotional, sexual), neglect, witnessing domestic violence, parental substance abuse, mental illness, incarceration, or separation, which can profoundly affect brain development and long-term physical and mental health, increasing risks for chronic diseases, depression, and substance misuse in adulthood. Prevention and supportive environments can mitigate these risks.



Advantages of Attachment-Aware Practice

- Children feel safe and understood, reducing conflict.
- Better learning outcomes
- Secure relationships free children to focus on learning.
- Teachers are equipped to respond to complex needs.
- Vulnerable pupils are supported



We have begun the journey towards being awarded the Attachment Aware Schools Award (AASA) alongside all other Kingston Schools.

PTA - Our puzzle and game amnesty is ongoing - please bring in any unwanted puzzles, board or card games to the office (or hand to a member of PTA) for a sale we'll be hosting after school on the 28th of January. The children may bring their purchases in the next day to play with each other during school hours.

PUZZLE DAY

— A Fun Day of Thinking & Building! —

Dear Parents,

Help us celebrate National Puzzle Day on Thursday 29th January!

Purchase a puzzle or game, at pick up, on Wed 28th Jan!

The kids will get to enjoy them the next day within school hours!

How You Can Help:



Please donate any puzzles or board games from home!

Please drop off donations at Reception, any time before Monday 26th January.



Buy a Puzzle at Drop-Off

Puzzles and games will be on sale at pick up on Wednesday 28th January!



Important Reminder:

Any donated games or puzzles must be complete with no missing pieces/parts!

Thank you for your support!



Smartphone Free Childhood – Social Media Ban for Children Aged 16-under

Over 167,000 parents and carers have signed the Smartphone Free Childhood Parent Pact to delay smartphones and social media, and more than 400,000 parents and carers are part of Smartphone Free Childhood communities. [Click here if you wish to sign the petition in support of raising the minimum age for access to social media to 16.](#)

Good Work Bags given out this week

Nursery

- Isabelle
- Haryn

Year 2

- Zayne
- Georgia

Year 5

- Heidi
- Alice

25, 50 and 100 Reads Completed!

Solène (5)	Elliot (1)	Otto (2)	Anneline (6)	
Charlie (5)	Isabel (1)	Aylan (1)	Amy (6)	Zayd (1) –
Alice (5)	Charlie (4)	Thomas (1)	Grace (6)	125 reads!
Marnie (5)	Rose (2)	Qasim (1)	Isla (6)	Joseph (1)
Flora (3)	Hana (2)	Olly (4)	Mikel (6)	Ivy (1)
Yielle (5)	Anaya (2)	Grace (2) –	Araya (6)	Jack (1)
Kate (5)	Teddy (2)	125 reads!	Tia (6)	
Erin (4)	Elise (R)	Sakinah (2)	Sammy (6)	
Wilhelm (1)	Phoebe (R)	Leah (2)	Reene (6)	
Lana (1)	Mabli (R)	Zavian (3)	Ava (6)	
Benjamin (1)	Clara (R)	Soren (3)	Erin (4)	
Edie (1)	Siheon (R)	Isla (3)	Sophie (2)	
Maya (1)	Owen (R)	Ayla (6)	Zayne (2)	
Elliot (1)	Chue (R)	Meerusha (6)	Theo (2)	
Rhys (1)	Max (2)	Rosie (6)	Rose (2)	

Celebration Station

Congratulations to this week's Class Stars! (Y6) Sienna (Y5) Solène (Y4) Max (Y3) Leah (Y2) Carys and Theo (Y1) Qasim (R) Alba.

We also had children receive Values and Bee A Blessing certificates. Luca, Matt, Joshua, Arlen, Carys, Imogen, Edan, Hajoon, Nora.

Darcey and Mateo also received their Pen Licences.

Well done everyone!



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



Open 8:10am (8:15am for Worcester Park) - 6pm for children aged 3-12



Worcester Park - Malden Parochial C of E Primary School (KT4 7LW)

Ofsted registered

Kingston - St. Paul's C of E Primary School (KT2 6AZ)

Half days and full days available



From £24 for half day

For more information phone 07359380777

Sibling & full week discounts available

Join us in Feb half term - 16th to 20th February

<https://fun-fest.co.uk/worcesterpark/>
<https://fun-fest.co.uk/kingston/>



Join our private whatsapp channels for updates!

Kingston

Worcester Park



Dear Parent/Carer,

Christ's Hospital is a remarkable day and boarding school for students aged 11–18, known for combining academic ambition with a deep belief in opportunity for all. Named Independent School of the Year 2024/2025, we welcome students from all backgrounds, with around 650 of our 830 students receiving financial assistance.

We are delighted to invite you to our Open Morning on Saturday 7 March, a wonderful opportunity to discover what makes Christ's Hospital such a distinctive and inspiring place to learn and live.

During the morning, you will have the chance to:

- Meet Matthew Judd, Head of Christ's Hospital
- Hear directly from students about life at the school
- Enjoy a student-led tour of our remarkable campus
- Experience our iconic Band Parade, a vibrant tradition that brings the whole school together

To book your place, please [click here](#). We very much look forward to welcoming you to Christ's Hospital.

Best wishes,
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Kingston and New Malden Rotary Clubs

Art Competition 2025/26

Title: I GROW ON OR IN THE GROUND AND PEOPLE EAT ME!

Rules for the competition:

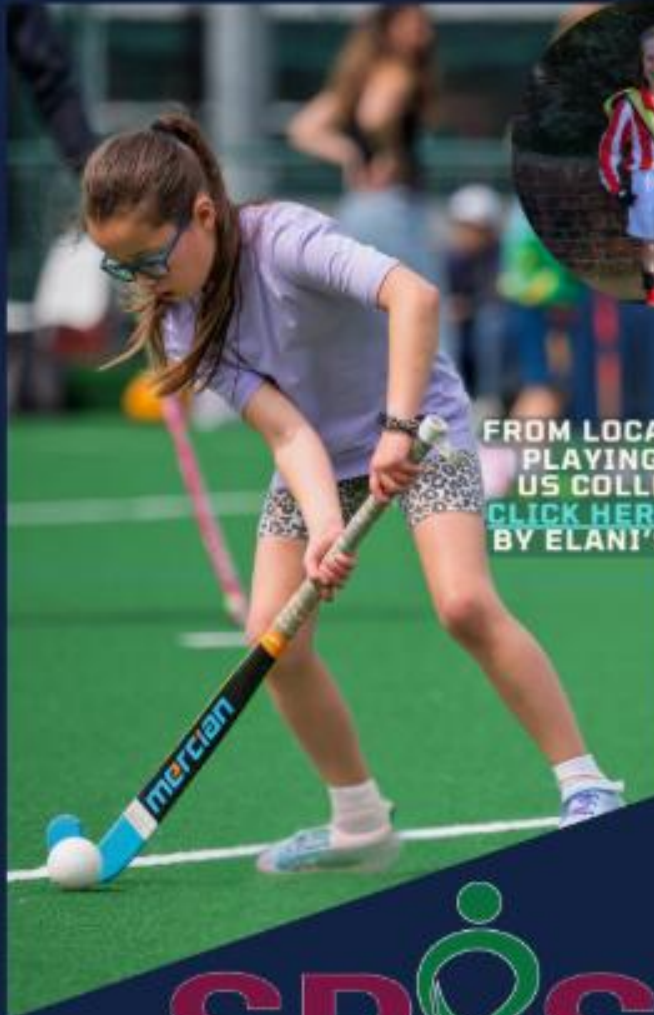
1. The pictures should be no larger than A3 but no smaller than A5
2. They must not be photographs
3. They can be created from any medium – paint, crayon, chalk, collage, charcoal, pencil, pen and ink etc
4. The pictures can be on paper, card, canvas or other material
5. They can be drawings of things that have been seen themselves or drawn, or copied from documents they have taken in to school or any pictures they see at school.
6. The submitted entry must have been created in the school in the presence of a member of staff
7. There must be only one submission per pupil
8. On the reverse of each submission, the name of the school, the year the pupil is in and the initials of the student must be written
9. Depending on the number of schools participating (and therefore the number of potential entries) we may ask schools to select the 'best' five to ten pictures to be entered
10. Due to the number of entries, we are unable to return any submissions
11. The deadline for submission is 27th February 2026



FREE AFTER/SCHOOL HOCKEY

**SURBITON HOCKEY CLUB
YEARS 3-6**

ALL EXPERIENCE LEVELS WELCOME!



FROM LOCAL SCHOOL CLUB TO
PLAYING FOR ENGLAND & A
US COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP:
[CLICK HERE](#) TO GET INSPIRED
BY ELANI'S SURBITON STORY

SRIST
THE SUGDEN ROAD SPORTS TRUST



THURSDAYS, 15:30 - 16:30

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