



# The Maltby Lilly Hall Times

Date of Letter - **September 2019**

Average attendance to date— 96.5%

Sessions lost through absence— 167

Sessions lost through holidays— 135

## Mr Pease's Blog

### Welcome Back!

A very warm welcome back to all children, parents and carers for what promises to be an exciting and fun-packed academic year. I sincerely hope you all had a fantastic Summer break and enjoyed the time with your children.

With our newly developed, broader curriculum we have an action-packed year ahead with learning that is engaging and dynamic. We also have our residential for years 5 and 6 along with exciting visits for year groups across the school.

I'd like to formally welcome our two new members of staff. Firstly, Mr Clegg, who is our new class teacher in year 4 and he takes over from Miss Chapman who left us in July. Secondly, Mrs Hepworth in year 6 who joins us from Ravenfield. A big Lilly Hall welcome to them both.

Our unwavering focus is to ensure that our journey of rapid improvement continues apace. Whilst we are aware we still have improvements to make, our aim is to firmly build on the achievements of the last school year. With the fantastic families, professionals and the outstanding young people who attend Maltby Lilly Hall Academy, we know we are primed to succeed. Rest assured, we will keep working and improving until your child's school is the outstanding Academy your children deserve.

### Mr Pease's

### JOKE OF THE WEEK

**What's orange and invisible?**

**No carrots**

### Diary Dates

We know parents and carers appreciate as much notice as possible around events happening in school. With this in mind, you will find dates for Christmas concerts on the rear of this newsletter. These dates have been set early so parents can book time off from work if required to see their children perform.

### Planners

Your child should have their new planner for the forthcoming academic year. Please ensure they take care of this as replacements will need to be paid for at a price of £2 each. Star awards from last year will be rolled over into this year, so if your child received stars in their planner last year, these will also count to this year and be added to any new stars awarded.

### Outcomes

A big well done should go to all our children for the progress made last year, but those children in Y2 and Y6 who have taken tests towards the end of the year deserve special mention. Again, they have done yourselves, themselves and the school proud with their achievements across maths and English. This is testament to the hard work and dedication of primarily you and your children, but also the staff who work tirelessly in school to ensure the children in their care leave Maltby Lilly Hall Academy with the best possible chances of success, both at secondary school and beyond. We are proud of you all.

### Community Spirit

I read with interest a front page story in the Rotherham Advertiser this last week about a homeless man who had been sleeping in a tent in our locality in Maltby. However, the story proceeded to explain that due to the help and generosity of local people in the Lilly Hall community (some of whom are parents and grandparents of children in school), the man has now secured a property and is looking towards a

brighter future. This typifies the outstanding community spirit shown in the Lilly Hall community and some of the children could not wait to show me the story. What wonderful role-models for our children—well done to all involved.

### Curriculum

Our curriculum in school continues to develop and this year is no exception. As we develop our broader and more balanced curriculum you will notice your children developing skills across an array of subjects, with new experiences both in and out of school which will enrich and nurture their learning.

### Summer Achievement

A special mention should go to Jessica in year 3, who has had a very busy Summer. She had completed a triathlon and raised £558 for Bluebell Wood Hospice. She was consequently nominated for a BBC Community Champion Award and to top all that off she was then interviewed on Radio Sheffield for her efforts as well as being invited to Rotherham United's training ground to meet the players and management. Well done Jess, a real asset to the community.

### Open Door Policy

Finally, it almost goes without saying that I would like to urge any parent or carer to come in and talk to us about any problems you have. Normally, Mr Horrigan, Mrs Langton and I are on the playground in the morning and would be more than pleased to talk to you. If we're not around please drop in to reception—if we are free we'll see you there and then, if not we'll try to phone you back as soon as we can. If we work together it makes problems easier to solve—my door is always open.



# BLOG Spot

## Christmas Performances & Parties

9th December	-	KS1 Concert (AM/PM)
10th December	-	Lower KS2 Concert (AM/PM)
11th December	-	Upper KS2 Concert (PM/Evening)
12th December	-	EYFS Concert (AM/PM)
16th December	-	Y3 Christmas Party
17th December	-	Y4 Christmas Party
17th December	-	EYFS Christmas Party
18th December	-	Y5 Christmas Party
18th December	-	Y1 Christmas Party
19th December	-	Y6 Christmas Party
19th December	-	Y2 Christmas Party

**PLEASE NOTE TIMES FOR CONCERTS WILL BE CONFIRMED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

## Mrs Searson's Bulletin

### Welcome to Maltby Lilly Hall Academy

A warm welcome to all new children and families joining our school family this academic year. In particular, we are so pleased and proud of our youngest children and families in our Woodlands Early Years who have settled so well and so quickly. Please be reminded that parents of children in Woodlands Early Years are invited to an optional drop in session to meet children's key person and teacher and talk about how children have settled in to school this Thursday 3:45pm-4:45pm.

### Curriculum Newsletters

Look out for new year group curriculum newsletters (Y1-Y6) to find out about what your child will be learning in class this half term. Newsletters are posted on the school website and can be used as useful talking points with your children. They also provide ideas for supporting home learning.

### Roald Dahl Day

It was fabulous to see all of our children and teachers dressed as characters from the famous Roald Dahl books during our recent reading celebration. Wonderful, rich learning was taking place around school and much fun was had by all at what might be the loudest assembly of the year as we voted for the best dressed teachers! Well done to Mrs Brierley (A very scary Ms Trunchbull) and Mr Clegg (A very energetic Mike Teavee.)

### Aldi Kit for Schools

Many thanks to our school families who have been collecting stickers from Aldi for our kit for schools appeal. We have one full poster already! Please keep sending them in!

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

Come and join us for a hot drink, cake and enjoy our wonderful art exhibition this Friday 27th September at 9am to help raise funds for Macmillan. Donations of buns/cakes will be very much appreciated. Entry via school reception. We very much look forward to welcoming you.

## Diary Dates

Wednesday 25th September	-	Woodlands 2 Parents EYFS Curriculum Workshop
Thursday 26th September	-	BINGO Night
Thursday 26th September	-	EYFS Drop in Session— 3.45pm-4.45pm
Friday 4th October	-	Woodlands 2 Family Workshop
Wednesday 9th October	-	Harvest Festival Assembly
Thursday 10th October	-	Woodlands 2 Curriculum Workshop
Friday 11th October	-	Woodlands 2 Family Workshop
Tuesday 22nd October	-	F2, Y1 & Y2 Disco 3.30pm to 5.00pm
Wednesday 23rd October	-	Woodlands 2 Parent Phonics/ Reading Workshop
Thursday 24th October	-	Y3 & Y4 Disco 3.30pm to 5.00pm
	-	Y5 & Y6 Disco 5.30pm to 7.00pm
Thursday 24th October	-	Last Day of Half Term
Friday 25th October	-	INSET DAY (school closed for pupils)
28th October to 1st November	-	HALF TERM WEEK
Monday 4th November	-	First Day of 2nd Half-Term
Wednesday 6th November	-	Y5 National Space Centre
Monday 11th November	-	Flu Vaccinations
Tuesday 12th November	-	Y1L—Visit to Fire Station
Thursday 14th November	-	Individual Photos
Friday 15th November	-	YLB—Visit to Fire Station
Monday 18th November	-	Y6 Family Learning Event
Tuesday 19th November	-	Parents Evening (Y1-Y6) 3.30 –7.00
Tuesday 19th November	-	Y3 Magna Science Museum
Wednesday 20th November	-	Parents Evening (Y1-Y6) 3.30 –5.00
Thursday 21st November	-	Y4 Visit to The Deep
Thursday 28th November	-	BINGO Night
Thursday 5th December	-	Christmas Lunch Day
Friday 6th December	-	Christmas Fayre
Friday 13th December	-	EYFS/Y1 Christmas Magic Show
Friday 13th December	-	Christmas Jumper Day
23rd December to 3rd January	-	Christmas Break

**MONDAY 11TH MAY TO FRIDAY 15TH MAY**  
**Y6 SATS WEEK**

**MONDAY 8TH JUNE TO FRIDAY 12TH JUNE**  
**Y1 PHONICS SCREEN CHECK WEEK**