



FRIDAY FLYER

10 September 2021

Next Week

Monday

KS2 Return Library Books.

Tuesday

Small Blues PE.

Wednesday

Chalk Hill Blues and Silver Studded Blues PE.

Small Blues - Humphrey's Party.

KS1 Return Library Books.

Thursday

Adonis Blues PE.

House Captain Elections.

Friday

Holly Blues PE.

Small Blues Forest School.

Moment of the Week:

Adonis Blues Stunning Start

Our new theme is Traders and Raiders. This week we have learnt a lot about Viking Long Ships. Once we knew more about these, we proceeded to design and make our very own Viking Long Ship!



Messages from Staff:

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome everyone back. It has been a fantastic week, especially seeing the school community reunited. We are delighted to welcome our new families to MPA. Please take the time to read the Friday Flyer and celebrate our first week back. We are MPA and we are proud!
Miss Churchman, Head Teacher.

Stunning Starts - Launching the New Themes!

Small Blues - Me and My Community

Small Blues will have their Stunning Start on Wednesday next week. Humphrey is going to be having a birthday party and all the children in Small Blues are invited to come in their party clothes and bring a teddy with them.

Holly Blues - Paws, Claws and Whiskers

This week Holly Blues met a Bearded Dragon named Snuggles and two black Labrador dogs named Freddie and Mollie. The children had lots of fun getting to know the animals and learning about how to take care of them.

Chalk Hill Blues and Silver Studded Blues - Stargazers

The children were lucky enough to have a STEM Ambassador visitor talk to them all about our Solar System! It was fascinating and they were able to ask many questions. They particularly enjoyed finding out about the 'bunny' on the moon! The children then created planet pictures using soft pastels which was messy but great fun!

Class Information

Curriculum Overviews and Home Learning (Years 1 to 6) have been emailed to parents today. Next week you will receive a class overview giving you all the key information for your child's class.

Key Texts

Is it essential ALL children in Years 1 to 6 have a copy of the key text for this term. We sent this information to families in July. Your child will use this book daily for their reading lessons. If you are entitled to pupil premium funding, we will purchase the book for you. Please email the office with the details. Please can you ensure your child has their book in school every day.

House Captain Elections

Elections for House Captains and Vice House Captains will take place on Thursday 16 September. Candidates from Year 6 will be sharing speeches and presentations with their house teams then children and adults will vote for the children they would like to lead their House. Good luck to everyone taking part, the results will be announced next week!

Eco-Schools

Over the summer holidays we have taken delivery of a clothing recycle bank on our premises to minimise waste and reduce the need for landfill sites which create harmful greenhouse gases. Another benefit is the school receives payment for every tonne of clothing collected. If you have any old clothing, towels, shoes, sheets or home textiles please use our new clothing bank situated by the staff car park. We ask that you encourage friends, family and colleagues to use our clothing bank. Thank you for your support, Eco-Schools Committee.



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Upcoming Dates

20 September

Launch of 10 Good

Deeds in 10 Days

PTA Meeting @ 2.00pm

w/c 20 Sep

How to use Tapestry

Guide for Reception

Parents.

22 September

Full Governing Body

Meeting.

w/b 27 September

Harvest Food Bank for

Martlesham Parish

Church.

October

Black History Month

Messages from Staff Continued....

Birthdays

We are going to continue allowing the children to wear non uniform on their birthdays. They loved doing this last year, so we will continue this again. If your child has their birthday on the weekend or the holidays, they can wear their own clothes on the Friday before their birthday or the Monday after their birthday. They will also get to wear the Birthday Crown at lunch time if they would like to.



From The Catering Team

Children are selected by the catering team for their good manners and eating a good variety of foods. This includes packed lunch children as well. On a Friday the nominated children get a special plate, special cup with squash and their award. If a child is nominated that normally has packed lunch they get to choose a dessert from the dessert table. Friday is Fruity Friday whereby all children are allowed to help themselves to the fruit platter at lunch. Once the weather gets wet, children will need to bring in a change of shoes for outside so mud isn't brought into the school and ruin the flooring.

Additional Clubs

We are having a high demand for clubs which is great. There are still spaces available for some so do check Arbor if your child is interested. We have two additional clubs after school that will begin next week.

Netball Team

There will be netball training on a Tuesday for children in Years 4, 5 and 6. There will be no charge for this club as children will be representing the school in upcoming competitions. This will run from 3.15 - 4.15pm.

Drama Club

Drama Club will take place on a Thursday from 3.15 - 4.15pm. This is for children in KS2. There will be a weekly charge of £2.00 for this club. If your child would like to join either of these clubs, please log into Arbor to register your child.

Lunchtime Clubs

The teaching teams are also running lunchtime clubs, which start next week. We will share the overview with you next week.

Library

Mrs Wood continues to support the children with the library this year. Thank you to everyone who returned all library books before the summer holiday. It was lovely to see the children using the library again this term. Please note Monday afternoon is for KS2 and Wednesday afternoon is for KS1. Books are to be returned fortnightly.

Reading Volunteers

If you can spare one afternoon a week to come to school and hear children read, we would love to hear from you. The children really enjoy having the time to read to volunteers. If you are interested in becoming a reading volunteer, please speak to Mrs Hazelton for more information.

Parent Council

If you are interested in being the parent councillor for your child's year group, then please email the office. We would like to have a representative from each year group. Our first meeting is scheduled for Thursday 21 October at 2.00pm. Hopefully, this will be a face to face meeting.

PTA

Kayleigh Platts has been the PTA Chair for the last four years. She has led the team superbly and helped raise a lot of money for the school. She has spent many hours preparing for the events at MPA. Sadly, Kayleigh has made the decision to resign from this position. This means we have space for new PTA members but also for a new Chair. If you are interested in joining the PTA, then please speak to Mrs Hazelton in the office. We will have our first PTA meeting on Monday 20 September at 2.00pm. We look forward to being together and planning events for the school community this year.

Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to the families that took the time to complete the questionnaire at the end of last term. 37 out of 85 families completed the survey. I am sharing the results with staff, governors, and the Parent Council. Your comments are valued and we do listen to feedback.

Pop Up Shop

St. Michaels & All Angels Church have their first Pop-Up Shop of the Month this coming Sunday at St. Michaels Church on The Green, Martlesham. Finding food bills a challenge? Come and fill one of their carrier bags for £2.00. This Pop Up shop is open every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month from 1.00 - 2.00pm.