



FRIDAY FLYER

8 October 2021

Next Week

Moment of the Week:

Silver Studded Blues and Chalk Hill Blues created a collaborative piece of artwork in their class, recreating Vincent Van Gogh's 'Starry Night'. The children learnt about Van Gogh, practised using strokes and layering with oil pastels and then recreated their own square. We then put them together to create the final piece. Here is Silver Studded Blues' version!



Messages from Staff:

EdShed Champions This Week:

	Spelling	Maths
Year Group Champion	Year 4	Year 6
Individual Champion	Harley	Harley

House Points:

House	Andromeda	Orion	Pegasus	Phoenix
Points	659	665	727	604

COVID-19

We have several cases of COVID-19 reported in the last week. Due to this we have put certain control measures in place. We are not meeting together for whole school assemblies. Key Stage 2 lunch clubs are also cancelled for the next 10 days. We already have robust cleaning routines but we have increased the cleaning in classes. Please continue to Lateral Flow Test your child regularly and if they have symptoms then please book a PCR test. We know this is something we have to live with but let's support each other in keeping our community safe.

Handwriting Licence

From this week the children will be awarded a Pen Licence if their handwriting is joined, neat and consistent. Children will receive a certificate and a pen. We are looking forward to seeing who gains their Pen Licence.

Home Learning

The deadline for Home Learning is Wednesday 13 October. Families can share this with the class teacher via Teams or the children can bring their home learning into school. We would ask that all children from Year 1 to Year 6 complete the tasks set by the teachers.

Flutterbuys

This is our school shop and currently we are recruiting for staff. The children in Year 6 have applied for posts and have attended interviews. We should be fully staffed by early next week and we are planning for Flutterbuys to be open after half term. More details will follow next week. The profit the children raise is used to fund the end of Year 6 activities. The children gain real life experience from running a small business and we feel this prepares them for life beyond school.

Recruitment

Sadly, Mr Francis has been offered a fantastic position as a Property Manager for a local estate agents. He will be leaving MPA in December. This means we will be recruiting for a Site Manager in the next few weeks. Mr Francis has been at MPA for nine years and he will be missed by the staff, the children and their families.

Census Day

A big thank you to the families that had a school lunch this week as this will help with our funding next year. Carol and the team did an amazing job preparing the lunch for the children. We had a record number of 106 lunches.

Dobbies

We had our first meeting with Dobbies this week as we have won the community grant. This means that we get £500 to help develop our sensory garden for the children. We are looking forward to work starting on this area over the next couple of months. Thank you to Mrs Hazelton who has secured some additional grants for this area. So watch this space as we start to create the sensory area for the MPA children.

PTA

We are looking forward to having a movie night on Friday 22 October. Just £5 for the film, popcorn, a meal and unlimited drinks. The children can wear fancy dress and enjoy watching a movie with their friends. The film night will start at 4.15pm and end at 6.30pm. Please see a member of the PTA to book your place from Wednesday 13 October.

Black History Month House Challenges

Monday

MPA Calculation Policy
KS2 Workshop @ 2.15pm.
Orion and Phoenix to return library books.

Tuesday

EYFS 2022/23 Open Morning for New Reception Parents @ 9.30am.
Chalk Hill Blues and Silver Studded Blues visit to 'It's Rocket Science'.
Small Blues PE.

Wednesday

Home Learning due.
Chalk Hill Blues and Silver Studded Blues PE.
KS1 Orion and Phoenix to return library books.
Cinema Night tickets available from PTA.

Thursday

Holly Blues visit to Colchester Zoo.
Adonis Blues PE.

Friday

Holly Blues PE.
Small Blues Forest School.

Upcoming Dates

20 October

EYFS 2022/23 Open Morning for New Reception Parents @ 9.30am.

20 - 22 October

Year 6 @ Thorpe Woodlands.

21 October

Parent Council Meeting @ 2.00pm.

22 October

PTA Halloween Cinema Night 4.15 - 6.30pm.