



Friday 19th January 2024

Value of the Term – Gratitude

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has flown by and another week of fantastic learning and great behaviour and attitudes. Ask your children to sing the gratitude attitude song to you – you will have it in your head for hours!!

Thank you for your ongoing support to the school and your child's education, working together means we really can do the best for the children in our care. It has been great to meet more faces this week and get to know more children, still haven't managed to remember them all just yet but I am getting there!

In assembly today we celebrated these children who have achieved the certificate of excellence or the values award for the week in their class.



The class winners for the attendance trophy goes to Year 2 with an outstanding 99%, you are absolute superstars Year 2!

We have had many children achieve their **50 read prize** this week, choosing a special book from the vending machine, a big well done to: Ivan in Reception, Aylin and Gergana in Year 5, Tiara, Gracie and Ramla in Year 4, Zorin, Toby, Special, Oliver, Ana Clara, Chomo and Aysha in Year 6.

Fantastic learning by all children this week and fabulous rewards 😊

We are looking at extending the day in our nursery so that we would be able to offer more hours including the 30 hours funding that is available to some working families. We need to gauge the interest in this to know if it would be financially viable to run so, please look out for a parent survey coming home soon. If you know of any families in the area with younger children who may be interested in places at our nursery, please pass the information on to them too.

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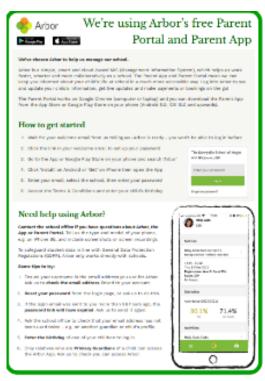
Please remember to collect your blue token and post it in the 'Mountford Manor' box whenever you shop in Tesco, no matter how big or small your shop, every blue token counts!



Coming soon...... we will be using the Arbor Parent Portal and Parent App to be able to communicate with you faster and easier.

This will also enable you to see your child's current attendance and keep up to date with what is going on in school for your child. More details will be coming out soon with a welcome email that will have a link to log in and set up a password.

Please don't worry if you are unable to download this as we will be able to support you and there will be the opportunity to use the portal on a laptop or computer if you are unable to use a phone or tablet.





We have also recently been able to sign up our Early Years children to the 'Big Brush Club' an NHS scheme on promoting and supporting oral health in young children. More details and information will be sent home soon including a consent form for all children in the 3-year-old nursery and Reception class.

The weather has certainly turned very cold this week, please can you make sure your child has a warm coat when they come to school as they do go outside during the school day. Hats, scarves and gloves are great to help keep them warm but please make sure they are named as I know how frustrating it can be when they go missing and your child can't identify their belongings. You will be surprised how many gloves, scarves and hats all look the same!

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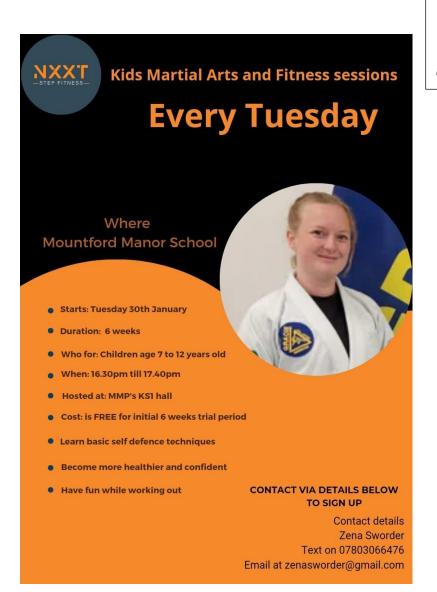
Please remember the door is always open if there is anything you need or we can help you with.

Wishing you a lovely, albeit a bit chilly, weekend.

With best wishes,

Mrs Helen Wollington

Headteacher



Upcoming diary dates:

Friday 26th January – Reception and Year 6 screening checks

Monday 5th February – Friday 9th February Children's Mental Health Week Science Festival week

Tuesday 6th February – Internet Safety Day

Wednesday 7th February – School Disco, details to follow

Friday 9th February – End of Term 3

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