Mapperley Plains Primary School

Weekly Bulletin

08.12.2025

The week at a glance:

	Monday 8th December	Tuesday 9th December	Wednesday 10th December	Thursday 11th December	Friday 12th December
Whole School Events		**KS1 Nativity play 9.45am EYFS Nativity play 2pm**	**Christmas Dinner Day**	**EYFS Nativity play 9.45am KS1 Nativity Play 2pm**	
Lunch Clubs Break times	OPAL	OPAL	OPAL	OPAL	OPAL
After School Clubs	Cheerleading Year 3/4 Basketball Club	Gardening Club Yr 5/6	Yr 5/6 Basketball club		Summer in Time Dance Club

Dates for the Diary:

15.12.2025		Heights and Weights Reception & Year 6 (letters to Follow)
16.12.2025		Pantomime 'Peter Pan'
17.12.2025		KS2 Christmas Market 2.45-3.15pm
18.12.2025	NEW DATE	PTA School Disco – Non Uniform Day
19.12.2025		Last Day of Term – 2 Weeks Half term
		Half term
05.01.2026		All Pupils Back in School
13.02.26		Last day of Term – 1 Week Half Term
		Half Term
23.02.2026		INSET DAY – School Closed
24.02.2026		All Pupils Back in School
03.03.2026		Usborne Book Fair
26.03.2026		Last day of term – 2 Weeks Half term
27.03.2026		INSET DAY – School Closed
		Half Term
13.04.2026		All Pupils Back in School
15.04.2026		Year 4 Castleton Residential
04.05.2026		MAY DAY – Bank Holiday School Closed
22.05.2026		Last Day of Term – 1 Week Half Term
		Half Term
01.06.2026		INSET DAY – School Closed
02.06.2026		All Pupils Back In School
01.07.2026		Year 6 Walesby Residential
27.07.2026		Last Day of Term

PTA School Disco:

The PTA are happy to confirm we are hosting a Christmas Disco at the school for pupils, on **Thursday 18th December.** It will take place in the school hall at the following times:

EYFS: 1:40pm-2:20pm
KS1: 2:30pm - 3:20pm
Y3/4: 3:30pm - 4:20pm
Y5/6: 4:30pm - 5:20pm

KS2 - Tickets are now available for the school disco on School Comms at a cost of £2.50. There will be refreshments and goodies for sale during the disco at 50p per item. The day will be non-uniform for all.

EYFS/KS1 - The PTA are asking for voluntary contributions of £2.50 through School Comms for disco tickets. There will be refreshments and goodies for sale during the disco at 50p per item. The day will be non-uniform for all.

Christmas Dinner:

Wednesday 10th December is our Christmas Dinner day. We will be serving Roast turkey with chipolata sausages served with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and Seasonal Vegetables. Vegetarian Quorn roast and Plant based Sausages will be available. Menu and Allergen information is available in link..\..\..\Dinners\2025-2026\Christmas Dinner.docx
For this day only we will NOT be offering any other meal choices. If your child does not want to have a Christmas dinner please can you provide a packed lunch from home. Please ensure your Schoolcomms dinner balance is topped up ready for your child/children to enjoy a Christmas meal.

EYFS/KS1 - Class Dojo

Please can we remind parents to **use ClassDojo only for brief, essential messages** about your child's learning or wellbeing. For general school queries, lost items, or longer discussions, please contact the school office or speak to staff at drop-off or collection. Teachers will respond to messages within 48 hours on school days, and urgent matters should always go through the office. Thank you for your continued support.

End of the School Day

At the end of the school day, we kindly remind children and families that **no school equipment**—including basketballs, scooters, or any other items—may be taken out or used after dismissal. This equipment should only be used during supervised learning and play times. Using school items at the end of the day creates safety concerns during a very busy time, and we ask for everyone's cooperation in keeping our grounds calm and safe. Thank you for helping us look after our school resources and our school community!

Christmas Postbox

Our Christmas Postbox will be open from tomorrow for children to post their Christmas cards to friends and staff around the school.
To help our Year 6 "Post People" deliver the cards correctly, please make sure each envelope clearly shows:
First and last name of the recipient
Their class
The post box will be in Reception. Thank you for helping us keep the Christmas post running smoothly. Happy card writing! ✉✨

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2025 Reverse Advent Calendar

It's coming to the end of November and Christmas is just around the corner. Lots of us will be opening the first days on our advent calendars at the start of next week. We'd love to invite you to join us in a special tradition of giving through our Reverse Advent Calendar. This is a simple way for our school community to support local families by donating food and essential items to Arnold Food Bank. We understand that this time of year can be a financial stretch for many, so any contribution - big or small - is truly appreciated.
Please check the attached calendar for suggested items. You can donate one item each day, or bring in a small selection weekly, or at the end of term.

Thank you for supporting this good cause and making a difference at Christmas.