

Montagu Academy Newsletter

So here we are at the end of a very busy year—how did that happen?

We have successfully overcome all the barriers in our way – Covid, refurbishments, snow days, heatwaves and Montagu has continued to build on the fabulous community spirit, ensuring all our pupils reach the outcomes they deserve.

As most of you will be aware I will not be continuing as the day to day Principal at Montagu next year although I will still be involved as an Executive Principal. I'm sure you will support David Longley as the new Head of Academy.

Best wishes for a lovely summer break with your families.

Vicki Pearson

Half-Term Attendance (Summer 2):

At Montagu Academy we love to celebrate great attendance. Our whole school attendance for the half-term was **91.6%**. The overall attendance for each class during the last half-term was:

FS1: 87%	FS2: 94%
1CF: 90%	1MW: 91%
2CH: 90%	2KW/BC: 93%
3CL: 91%	3SB: 90%
4CH: 91%	4LW: 92%
5HM/KA: 96%	5RS: 91%
6DA: 92%	6KM: 94%

Huge congratulations to **5HM/KA** for having the best whole class attendance!

Star of the Half-Term:

Each class teacher has nominated their star of the half-term. This pupil has followed all of our academy expectations and been exceptional throughout the entire half-term. It is such a great achievement. The stars of the term for last half-term were:



FS1	Holly W
FS2	Maisie R
1CF	Emily W
1MW	Georgina B
2CH	Amelia-Darcie H
2KW/BC	Harley-Jayne H
3CL	Ava B
3SB	Bailey S
4CH	James O
4LW	Kai H
5HM/KA	Isabelle L
5RS	Ariarna B
6DA	Megan M-B
6KM	Logan M-C

Attendance & Punctuality:

The school gates open at **8.30am** each day and all pupils should be in their classrooms ready to learn by **8.50am**. The school gates are closed at **8.50am** and any pupils arriving after this time will need to enter via main reception and will receive a late mark in the register.

MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) App:

From September, we will be using our new MCAS app. This app will be used for communication with you, you will be able to make payments, see your child's attendance and much more. You should have received information about downloading and setting up the app but if you haven't been able to do this please let us know and we will be able to help you with this. This app will replace ParentPay for payments but we will still be using ClassDojo for communication and information.



Dates For Your Diary:

- Inset Days—Monday 5th & Tuesday 6th September.
- First Day of Term—Wednesday 7th September.
- Year 6 Girls—Totty Cup.
- Flu Vaccinations—Tuesday 4th October.



ClassDojo

Top Dojo Achievers:

At Montagu we have a rewards system where students can earn points that they can then exchange for prizes at the Dojo Shop. The top Dojo

achiever from each class last half-term was:

FS1	Ellie P
FS2	James S
1CF	Miles S
1MW	Isaac G
2CH	Lola S
2KW/BC	Annabel J
3CL	Sophia D
3SB	Lacie M
4CH	Louise H
4LW	Noah M-S
5HM/KA	Jacob H & Edisa H
5RS	Alexis J
6DA	Imogen H
6KM	Crystal A-S, Tyler P & James W

Sports Day:

It was wonderful to be able to welcome parents back to sports day. The day was a great successful and it was so good to see all of our community together after the last few years. All of the children tried their best and had a great time. The results were :

- 1st Place: **Blue Team**
- 2nd Place: **Red Team**
- 3rd Place: **Yellow Team**
- 4th Place: **Green Team**

Here are a few pictures from the day:



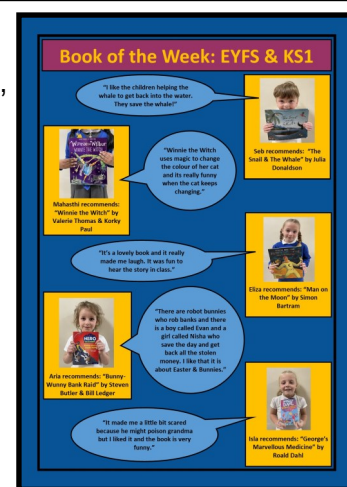
Goodbye Year 6:

We would like to say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 students. They have been an amazing year group throughout their time at Montagu Academy and it has been wonderful to watch them grow and develop over the years. They have worked extremely hard this year and achieved some excellent SATs results and they are huge credit to themselves and Montagu Academy. We will be sad to see them go but we know they are ready for their next challenge at secondary school. We are all so incredibly proud of all of you and wish you all the best for the future.



Book of the Week:

As you may have seen, we have been celebrating our love of reading each week with 'Book of the Week'. Each week a pupil from each class is chosen to select a book and provide a quote about why they like it and would recommend it to someone else. We are hoping that this is encouraging more reading both in and out of school and developing a life long passion for reading for our pupils.



TTRS Top Achievers:

At Montagu we use Times Tables Rock Stars to enable to pupils to develop their times tables ability. The top TTRS achiever from each class last half-term was:

2CH	Libby P
2KW/BC	Ernest S
3CL	Dauids B
3SB	Szymon W
4CH	Louise H
4LW	Noah M-S
5HM/KA	Edisa H
5RS	Owen H
6DA	Luke H
6KM	Amy S

Pupil Voice



FS1: This half-term we have been learning about journeys and transport. We have been on a bear hunt and made our own trains.

FS2: We have been learning about journeys and transport. We made our own boats and tested to see if they floated or not.

1CF: We have created an art piece based on African animals and silhouettes based around the painting by Sarah Shiundu.

1MW: We have been learning to tell the time. We know that when the big hand is at 12 it is o'clock and when it is at 6 it is half-past the hour.

2CH: In science, we have been learning about life cycles and where our food comes from.

2KW/BC: This half-term we have enjoyed learning about all things Victorian. We've explored the lives of Victorian children, Victorian steam trains and have even created art pieces relating to the seaside in the Victorian Era. Ask the children some facts about the Flying Scotsmen!

3CL: This half-term we have learnt that the ancient Egyptians had a tomb where they kept all their prized possessions and their organs when they died so that they could take them with them to the afterlife.

3SB: We have been learning about pulleys and levers in DT. We tested them to see which was best a pulley or a lever.

4CH: In science, we have been learning about living things and their habitats. We group animals using classification keys and even designed our own.

4LW: We have been learning all about North America in Geography. We learnt what states were and physical & human landmarks. We also investigated how Las Vegas has changed over the years because of humans.

5HM/KA: In history, we have been learning about Henry VIII and the reformation. We have also learnt about the suffragettes and how they protested to get their view across to others.

5RS: We have been learning about democracy and how democracy has been developed over the ages right back to the King of Wessex.

6DA: This half-term we have been learning about evolution and inheritance. We have looked at Charles Darwin and how plants and animals have evolved.

6KM: We have been learning about Marine Biomes and South America in our Geography lessons.

School Council News:



Over the term we have been had a big push on our reading environment. We have an outside library area for Key Stage 2. Children can choose a book and earn stickers for how many times they read in the week. We have also started a recommended reads page. Each week, children can choose a book that they recommend and explain why. This is then shown on Twitter, Class Dojo and the school website.

Eco-Council

News:



We have continued to change our energy monitors regularly and now complete a weekly litter pick on a Friday. Please remember not to litter when walking around our school, we don't want it to affect our wildlife. We also have plenty of posters about littering that have been made by us ready to display around school in the new academic year.

Mini-Managers:

This half term we have tidied up the wildlife area and designed bird feeders. The children enjoyed making their bird feeders filling them with delicious seeds and nuts. We hope the bird and wildlife enjoy their new treat over the summer holidays.



Playground Leaders:

Ever since the start of the Summer Term, we as playground leaders have improved the system to perfectly fit people's needs. Right now, the sportsmanship that people show is impeccable. Children have learnt what the right thing to do is. The rules are also being noticed and understood well. They are using the rules in order to play nice and fair. We have bigger plans for the next year prepared and these are taking place right now. We hope children are feeling happy about our achievements.