

Montagu Academy Newsletter

Heads Message:

It has been another busy half-term at Montagu! We were delighted to visit the Mansion House in January to receive our award for our commitment to the ukulele. This should be celebrated by all the children and staff. We look forward to arranging performances for parents in the summer term.

Our children have enjoyed several trips to museums and numerous visitors in to school such as authors and artists. A particular highlight was the space dome. It created a wonderful sense of awe and wonder in the children.

Best Wishes
David Longley

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:



FMW	Eden F
RAL	Apryl T
1CF	Luke E
1/2CW	Charlotte B
2CH	Shelby M
3CL	Annabel J
3/4SW	Libby P
4CH	Eva H
5MW	Mia D
5RS	Lily D
6DA	Jayden-Lee D
6KM	Alexis J

Half-Term Attendance (Spring 1):

At Montagu Academy we love to celebrate great attendance. Our whole school attendance for the half-term was **95.5%**. The overall attendance for each class during the last half-term was:

FMW: 90%	RAL: 96%
1CF: 95%	1/2CW: 96%
2CH: 95%	3CL: 98%
3/4SW: 95%	4CH: 95%
5MW: 95%	5RS: 99%
6DA: 98%	6KM: 95%

Huge congratulations to **5RS** for having the best whole class attendance!

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.

Attendance Prize Draw:

We have boxes up in the reception area for our half-termly attendance prize draw. Any child who has 100% attendance each week will receive a ticket with their name on and they can choose which box to put their ticket in. All of the children have been really excited to enter their tickets so far.

Dates For Your Diary:

- Red Nose Day—Friday 17th March.
- Rotherham United Player Visit—Monday 27th March.
- Easter Holidays—Monday 3rd—Friday 14th April.
- School Re-Opens—Monday 17th April.
- Year 5 Swimming —Every Tuesday morning.



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:

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FMW	Robyn S
RAL	Holly W, Apryl T & Alexander W
1CF	Maisie R
1/2CW	Charlie C
2CH	Shelby M
3CL	Ethan L & Mackenzie S
3/4SW	Jaxson P
4CH	Sophia D
5MW	Lea T & Chad B
5RS	Jack B & Isla M
6DA	Brogan S
6KM	Alexis J

Uniform Expectations:

All children are expected to wear academy uniform at all times. Uniform consists of:

- Royal blue jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt (with or without logo).
- White polo shirt, shirt or blouse.
- Grey or black trousers/skirt.
- Black footwear.
- In warmer weather, blue gingham checked summer dress, grey or black shorts, no open toed shoes or sandals,
- Year 6 pupils must also wear a tie as part of their uniform.
- Jewellery—one small stud in one or both ears (no other items of jewellery are permitted).

Clubs:

We have now started adding clubs to the MCAS App so if your child would like to attend one of our FREE afterschool clubs, please log onto the App to sign them up. We do only have a limited number of places so it is first come first served.

Trip to Leeds Museum:

Our Year 3/4 & Year 4 pupils enjoyed a trip to Leeds City Museum. They were able to explore the museum, as well as enjoying a workshop about the Ancient Greeks. This enhanced what they have been learning in lessons and they were able to find out about how the Ancient Greeks influenced Britain. They and were able to hold extremely old artifacts and discuss what they were used for. It was a great day out and was enjoyed by everyone who went. They were a credit to the school.

World Book Day:

We had a great day celebrating World Book Day this year. There were some amazing costumes and we had an author come into to do some workshops throughout the Academy. We love celebrating reading and seeing how excited all the children are about books.



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:

1/2CW	Miles S
2CH	Miroslav M
3CL	Levi D
3/4SW	Bailey S
4CH	Szymon W
5MW	Louise H
5RS	Noah M-S
6DA	Edisa H
6KM	Chloe W

Pupil Voice



FMW & RAL: In Foundation stage we have learn about lots of different traditional tales. Our favourite was "The three little pigs" We pretended to be the pigs and designed and made our own pigs houses and even had a go at blowing them down!

1CF: In REC we have looked at: What do I know about my body? We were able to name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense.

1/2CW: Last half term we learnt the skill of weaving. We used paper plates and wool to create a weaved flower design. Resilience and determination were key as this was a skill we found difficult to begin with, but we all succeeded in the end!

2CH: This half-term in History we learnt about castles and focused our learning on our local castle in Conisbrough.

3CL: This half-term we looked at how coal mining shaped our locality.

3/4SW: In Geography we studied Greece. We looked at the different biomes and compared them to the United Kingdom.

4CH: In Science, we learned about the different states of matter (solid, liquid and gas) and then even applied this learning to the water cycle.

5MW: This half-term we did dance in PE and focus on a 1950s hand jive.

5RS: This half-term in REC, we focused on Space; naming and understanding our solar system and learning the phases of the moon.

6DA: 6DA looked at the steps leading to World War 2. We looked at how The Treaty of Versailles effected Germany and how it led to the rise of the Nazi party. We also considered how propaganda was used by both the allies and axis country's to gain support.

6KM: During Spring 1 6KM have been developing an understanding of how WWII began. We have focused on The Treaty of Versailles and the impact of WWII.

School Council News:

This half term we have been very busy arranging World Book Day and Red Nose Day. For



WBD we arranged for an author to come and deliver workshops across the school and children were given the opportunity to listen to her red her books. We also arranged lots of different activities for children to take part in lessons.

Eco-Council News:

This half term the Eco-Council have signed us up for the big battery hunt. We are going to be collecting used batteries to support recycling. The Eco-Council are putting plans together for how we can collect these batteries and are designing somewhere safe to store them in school. Happy battery saving!



Playground Leaders:

This half term we have been developing need games and activities for people to do in the colder months. Pupils have enjoyed playing in mini football tournaments daily.