



St Maxentius Newsletter - 19th November 2021

A huge thank you to parents for being incredibly supportive and understanding this week. We have had a challenging week dealing with the current circumstance in school with Covid but thank you for continuing to trust us to prioritise the safety of your children.

Thank you to everyone who managed to attend the 'Quiz Time' sessions last week. The pupils really demonstrated their knowledge in history and science and they had such a fun time that they have requested to do it all again! We hope to plan another one next term so you have time to start revising now!

Sadly, this week we had to come to the difficult decision to postpone our Winter Ball. We did have plans in place for it to continue in a Covid safe way, but we didn't want pupils to miss out on this event so we have moved it to the week beginning 13th December. There is further information below.

The new headteacher will also be visiting school on Wednesday next week. Mrs Cousen is very much looking forward to meeting you all and getting started in her new role in January.

Thank you as ever for your continuing support, have a lovely weekend, keep safe.

Mrs N. Patel



Stars of the week

This week's stars of the week are as follows:

Year 6	Lauren -	Effort and perseverance in writing
Year 5	Jenson -	Improved effort and focus in writing.
Year 4	Charlie -	Hard work and excellent behaviour.
Year 3	Inaya -	Settling into year 3 really well and trying so hard.
Year 2	Poppy-	Being more confident to contribute in class.
Year 1	Vihaan -	For recreating a fantastic piece of writing at home.
Reception	Joshua -	For sharing his fantastic firefighter facts!



Winter Ball

As you are aware, we have made the very difficult decision to postpone the Winter Ball. We have re-arranged it for the week beginning 13th December. We have had to amend the days to suit other events in school that week, so the new dates are as follows:

Reception 3.30-4.30pm	Monday 13 th December
Year 4,5 & 6 3.30- 5.00pm	Tuesday 14 th December
Year 1,2 & 3 3.30- 5.00pm	Wednesday 15 th December

If you cannot make this new date, we will be able to reimburse you the cost, this can be arranged with Mrs Holt next week.

Time to Read

In the last week before half term, we read for **7,311** minutes.

For your information, you can see how each class are doing below.



Year group	Total minutes	Average minutes
1	1134	56.7
2	1351	50.03
3	1707	58.9
4	1569	71.3
5	770	26.5
6	3265	98.9

Well done to Year 4 for an amazing class average, keep up the good work!

We aim for pupils in Year 1 & 2 to read for 1 hour per week, Year 3 & 4 1.5 hours and Year 5 & 6 2 hours per week.



Attendance Matters

The average attendance for school last week was 91.39%. This is understandable in the circumstances and we will get this back up to national averages soon.

Bible Quote this week:

John 15:13

"Greater love has no-one than this, than lay down one's life for his friends"

