

# Newsletter



Dear Malvern Families,

What an incredible half-term it has been at Malvern! We've achieved sporting success in many competitions, indulged our inner thespians in theatre trips and became NSPCC UK champions - not to mention the many visits and visitors enjoyed by pupils. It really has been an action packed start to the New Year!

Have a wonderful break!

Kind regards,

Mr. James

## Children's Mental Health Week

Monday 6th February marked the beginning of Children's Mental Health Week with this year's theme based on the concept of making meaningful connections. Throughout this week in school, children have been embracing this key message and considering how they can make positive connections.

To conclude the week, Swanside Community Centre joined us for a fantastic afternoon tea and singalong. Children from KS2 choir performed and joined our visitors to sing and dance along to Beatles' classics. A huge thank you to Mrs Brown and Miss Baker for organising such a fantastic event.



## Important Dates

Date	Event
Monday 20th February	School opens - 8.45am
Monday 21st February	Year 5 - Lord Derby Award Night
Tuesday 21st February	Year 4 - Lord Derby Award Night
Tuesday 28th February	Potential NEU Strike Day
Wednesday 1st March	Parent / Teacher Reviews
Thursday 2nd March	Parent / Teacher Reviews
Thursday 2nd March	World Book Day
Wednesday 15th March	Potential NEU Strike Day
Thursday 16th March	Potential NEU Strike Day
Friday 17th March	Red Nose Day
Friday 24th March	Easter Bingo
Tuesday 28th March	Easter Film Night
Friday 31st March	School closes - 1.30 pm

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## National Theatre Visit Malvern

The last two weeks at Malvern have been rather dramatic! Caitlin Newman from Liverpool Institute of Performing Arts has been working with a group of our Y6 children. Sessions have been exploring transition from primary school to secondary school with children developing a short piece that they will perform to an audience.

In addition, National Theatre actor, Jonny Ball, spent the day with our Y5 children on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Jonny led workshops that focused on the plot and characters of William Shakespeare's famous tragedy: Hamlet. Children explored the characters' motives, the dramatic arc of the play and Shakespeare's beautiful language.

On Wednesday of this week, the National Theatre came to Malvern! A company of eight actors and a stage management team arrived at school bright and early. Scenery was erected, props were organised, costumes made ready, instruments were unboxed and sound systems plugged in. By the time the hall clock struck ten, the audience was seated and it was time for action. The National Theatre's adaptation of Hamlet - for primary school children - was spectacular! Given a modern twist, but including lots of inspiring Shakespearean language, the play thrilled and amused in equal measure. Packed with stirring sound effects, ghostly apparitions and a dramatic sword fight, the cast had audience members on the edges of their seats from start to finish.

As a host school for this tour of Hamlet, we were delighted to be joined by children and staff from Evelyn Community Primary School, Plantation Primary School and colleagues from Liverpool Hope University and Shakespeare North Playhouse.



## Visit to Anfield

As a reward to celebrate outstanding achievement of Reading Plus, pupils across key stage two were invited to Anfield Stadium today. Working with renowned musician, Kieo, pupils composed their own songs. After a tour of the ground, our superstar readers were treated to a private concert from Kieo, with some very special guests in attendance!





6 - 12 February 2023

# Schools' Football Week

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Pupils at Malvern have enjoyed a week of celebration to mark Schools' Football Week. Across key stage two, all pupils have participated in a Malsal tournament. Malsal is very similar to football, with some slight changes which include: you can only score a goal with your first touch, the same player cannot score consecutive goals and the ball must stay below head height.

Throughout the week, each class held their own competition to crown class champions with the winning teams from each class competing head to head in a bid to make it to the final. The competition was tight with two classes eventually making it to the final round.

6JB and 6ND arrived for the match under close supervision from their managers. The roar of their crowd could be heard in local streets and there was an air of excitement as the game commenced. The game was tight and both teams represented their classes with distinction. When the final whistle blew, the score was 5-5 so golden goal extra-time was necessary. Ultimately, following a penalty kick from Madison, 6ND emerged victorious and were crowned Malsal 2023 champions!



## Mallon d'Or

Huge congratulations to Lewis in Year 5 who was the first recipient of the prestigious Mallon d'Or award. Lewis was presented with this award for demonstrating outstanding sporting behaviour throughout the Malsal competition.

Well done Lewis - we are very proud of you!



## Malvern @ Finch Farm

On Wednesday, our Y5 football team competed in a competition at Everton Academy. During the event, our boys played against teams from across Knowsley and proved - once again - that they are outstanding ambassadors for Malvern.



## Y3 / Y4 Festival

On Thursday, we hosted a Y3 / Y4 football tournament at school. It was a wonderful festival of football with lots of smiles, plenty of skill and some outstanding goals.



# Star of the Week



**Malvern Kindness  
Award Winners**

**Mr Arnold Sports  
Person of the Week**



**Mrs. Webber's Musician of the Week**

