



Welcome back to Maxwellton!

We hope you and your children have had a lovely summer and are feeling refreshed and ready for the year ahead. It has been wonderful to see our school and nursery come alive again with the buzz of excited children, new beginnings, and familiar faces returning.

At Maxwellton, we are proud that our school is built on the values of Teamwork, Respect, Achievement, Care and Kindness. These values shape who we are and how we work together every day. This year, we'll continue to celebrate teamwork in classrooms and across the playground, show respect for ourselves and others, recognise and share every achievement, and keep care and kindness at the centre of our school community.



We have high hopes and high expectations for all of our children this year. Every child at Maxwellton has unique talents, ideas and dreams, and our job is to nurture them so they can shine. We want our learners to feel confident, proud of their efforts, and excited to take on new challenges.



Looking ahead, we're planning lots of opportunities for creativity, curiosity, and discovery, both in school and nursery. We know that when home and school work closely together, children achieve their very best - so thank you for the encouragement, support and positivity you bring to our community.

We are really looking forward to the year ahead and all the learning, laughter, and achievements it will bring. Thank you for being such an important part of the Maxwellton family.



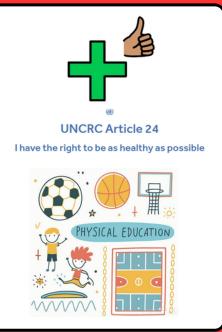
With love and best wishes, Elaine Cooke Headteacher



PE Matters

PE days will be as follows:
Primary 1 - Wednesdays and Thursdays
Primary 2 - Mondays and Thursdays
Primary 3 - Thursdays and Fridays
Primary 4 - Mondays and Wednesdays
Primary 5 - Tuesdays and Thursdays
Primary 6 - Tuesdays and Fridays
Primary 7 - Thursdays and Fridays

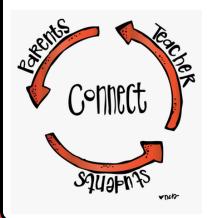
On PE days, children can come dressed to school in black shorts/joggers and a white/red/school polo shirt or they may bring a change of clothes. Please note - no football colours are allowed and children are not permitted to 'dress down' on PE days. A separate pair of gym shoes (trainers or plimsolls) should be kept in school to be changed into. Many thanks.





UNCRC Article 12

I have the right to be listened to and taken seriously



Parent Council Matters

We would love you to be part of our very active and involved Maxwellton Parent Council. The council plays an important role in supporting our school, sharing ideas, fundraising and helping us make Maxwellton the best it can be for our children.

Whether you can give a little time or a lot, your voice and involvement make a real difference. Everyone is warmly welcomed - no experience needed, just enthusiasm and an interest in our school community. The Parent Council meet once a month (Apart from January , April and June) in school at 18.30 on the dates listed below. We would love to see you there.

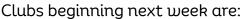
Monday 18th August Tuesday 2nd September Wednesday 1st October Monday 3rd November Tuesday 2nd December Wednesday 4th February (AGM) Monday 2nd March Tuesday 5th May



After School Club Matters

We will have a range of after school clubs running throughout the year and every year group will have the opportunity to attend at least one club. Clubs begin next week and we will contact you for permission if your child has expressed an interest.

Our clubs are run by volunteers and teachers in their own time. We are so thankful that they provide our children with these opportunities. Attendance at our clubs also requires children to live by our T.R.A.C.K values within school and whilst attending the club.



Monday - P5-7 Netball (Coach Louise)

Tuesday - P3/4 Outdoor Learning, (Mr Miller)

P6/7 Girls' Football (Mr & Mrs Marno)

Thursday - P5-7 Athletics (Miss Palmer and Coach Laura)

Please note - no athletics on 4th September

Friday - P5-7 Football (Coach Laurie)



UNCRC Article 15

I have the right to meet with friends and join groups



Community Matters





At Maxwellton Primary, we know that strong partnerships with families and our wider community are central to helping every child thrive. When school, home and community work together, children feel supported, valued and encouraged to achieve their very best. Your involvement - whether through supporting learning at home, joining school events, or engaging with our Parent Council - strengthens the sense of belonging and shared purpose that makes our school such a caring, inclusive place. Together, we create the teamwork, respect, achievement, care and kindness that define Maxwellton.

This year, we will have at least one opportunity for you to see your child's learning showcased and all children across the school will have at least one opportunity for an educational excursion. Buses are really expensive and prohibitive to our outings so we will be engaging in fundraising and thinking creatively to try and overcome!

Dates for all of these events, including Sports Day, Nativity, Carol Concert, Graduation, Leavers' Ceremony and many more, will be shared before the September Weekend to allow families to plan and prepare. As always, these events can't go ahead without the support of helpers, so we will be asking for volunteers!



Diary Date Matters

August

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 Holiday
4 Holiday	5 Holiday	6 Holiday	7 Holiday	8 Holiday
11 Holiday	12 Inservice	13 Inservice	14 Pupils Return	15
18 18.30 Parent Council	19	20	21 P5 Bible Alive	22 P6 & P7 Tennis Meet the Teacher Powerpoints issued
25 P5-7 Netball After School Club	26 P6-7 Girls' Football After School Club P3-4 Outdoor Learning Club (6 Week Block)	27 Photographs - Nursery, P1-P3	28 Photographs - P4-7, Families, Pl&7 Class P5 Bible Alive P5-7 Athletics After School Club	29 P6 & P7 Tennis P5-7 Football After School Club Summer Family Night



Diary Date Matters September

September						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
l Homework Grids Out P5-7 Netball After School Club P6-7 Athletics After School Club	2 P6-7 Girls' Football After School Club P3-4 Outdoor Learning Club (6 Week Block)	3	4 P5 Bible Alive No Athletics Club	5 P6 & P7 Tennis P5-7 Football After School Club		
8 P5-7 Netball After School Club P6-7 Athletics After School Club	9 P6-7 Girls' Football After School Club P3-4 Outdoor Learning Club (6 Week Block)	10	P5 Bible Alive P5-7 Athletics After School Club	12 P6 & P7 Tennis P5-7 Football After School Club		
15 P5-7 Netball After School Club P6-7 Athletics After School Club	16 JRSO Open Day P6-7 Girls' Football After School Club P3-4 Outdoor Learning Club (6 Week Block)	17	18 P5 Bible Alive P5-7 Athletics After School Club	19 P6 & P7 Tennis P5-7 Football After School Club		
P5-7 Netball After School Club P6-7 Athletics After School Club	23 Nursery Stay and Play P6-7 Girls' Football After School Club P3-4 Outdoor Learning Club (6 Week Block)	24 Boys'/Girls' Football Festival, Ballerup	25 Nursery Stay and Play P5 Bible Alive P5-7 Athletics After School Club	26 Holiday		
29 Holiday	30 Rev. Sarah to visit P3 - Harvest P6-7 Girls' Football After School Club P3-4 Outdoor Learning Club (5 Week Block)					