



# MMPS NEWSLETTER

December Edition, 2017

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## Welcome parents and friends

Assalamu Alaikum,

This is our final newsletter of 2017, masha'Allah a fantastic and busy term!

Thank you to our hard-working staff, pupils and parents for their efforts including; taking part in Dodgeball week to raise money for British Heart Foundation, hosting our Open Day, a PTA food sale, £138.50 raised for Children in Need, class assemblies, phonics workshops and much more!

Sadly, a thank you and goodbye to our hard-working, loyal and supportive admin team. Mrs Zaman, Ms Rahman and Mrs Smith all leave with the blessings of the Prep as they move on to the next chapter of their lives.



FIND OUT WHAT I AM BY READING THE PTA SECTION ON THE LAST PAGE...

Wishing you all a relaxing break,  
Wasalam,

Mona Mohamed  
Executive Head

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## What's in?

In this month's edition:

- Welcome
- Fair Trade
- Assemblies
- Karate
- Road Safety Week
- Upcoming events
- Phonics
- Remembrance Day
- Safeguarding
- Year 4's Trip to...
- PTA

## Food Sale

Insha'Allah on the 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be working with the PTA to raise funds for an inter-active whiteboard in Reception.



PLEASE SEE MRS MALAK TO DONATE

## World Hello Day



Pupils were tasked with saying Assalamu Alaikum or hello to at least 10 people, quite easy when you're in the classroom actually!

Supporting

The Christie  
Charitable Fund



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Can you guess what the heart has to do with dodgeball? Yes, that's right - we have been raising money for the British Heart Foundation!



Year 6 have been learning about where our food comes from and the importance of Fair Trade produce.



Various activities took place in classes including making Pudsey masks and Year 6 writing important messages for our display under the headings 'when I need help' and 'what to do if someone needs help'.

**Rashid Ali Syed** "A punch should stay like a treasure in the sleeve. It should not be used indiscriminately."

Well initiative from MMPS , deserves appreciation. 👍  
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**Manchester Muslim Preparatory School Official** Thank you for your kind words!



## ASSEMBLIES

Years 1 and 3 have performed their class assemblies with Year 2's right around the corner. Our teachers have also led road-safety and news assemblies this month.

## WORKSHOPS

Parents met in the middle for phonics during Ms Khawaja's wonderful session. Ask your child what a split digraph is...

## YEAR FOUR

... Recently visited the People's History Museum. The children were enthused with the galleries and how life was very different for the working people of Manchester in the early 19th Century.

Our children learnt the importance of poppies in our Remembrance Day assemblies and even had a go at making their own. Nursery even joined in and made finger poppies, tying in with their PSHE and colour of the week (red). Read some of our parent comments below in response to our poppy-making!



**Denise Walsh** (Habib J's parent)

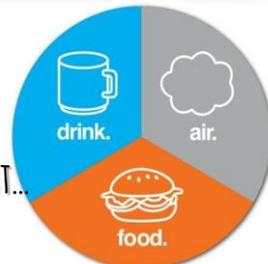
How lovely..I'm going to use this as my cover picture on Facebook 🍷

**Noha Amin** (Perry A's parent)

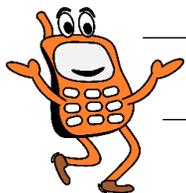
So creative Masha ALLAH 🍷🍷



FOOD FOR THOUGHT...



# Safeguarding...



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## Photography and sharing images

'It is important that children and young people feel happy with their achievements and have photographs and films of their special moments. Family and friends also want to be able to share the successes of their children when they have been part of a special event or activity.

However, it is also important to be aware of child protection and **safeguarding** issues when people are taking photos or filming at events.

The potential for misuse of images can be reduced if organisations are aware of the potential risks and dangers and put **appropriate measures** in place.' (National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, NSPCC).

We welcome our new admin team, Mrs N. Borghol and Miss Z. Hussain.

In line with school policy, they underwent a safeguarding induction on their first day at work.

They have also successfully completed a certified 'Safeguarding Course'.

### Staff

Photographs will only be taken of pupils with their parents' permission (provided in writing via consent form). Where photographs are taken by staff, photos can only be taken on school cameras or school iPads. They must then be downloaded onto school computers, where they will be monitored. Photos cannot be used or passed on outside the School.

### Parents

While we would prefer parents not to use their mobile phones while at school, we recognise that this would be impossible to regulate and that many parents see their phones as essential means of communication at all times.

We therefore ask that parents' usage of mobile phones, whilst on the school site, is courteous and appropriate to the school environment.

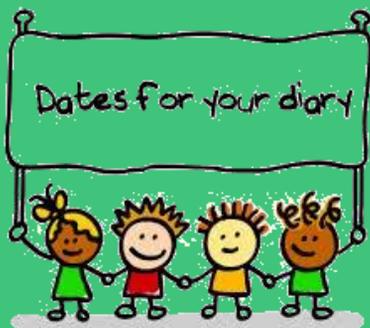
We do not allow parents to photograph or video school events such as sports day, assemblies or end of year presentation evening, using their mobile phones.

Parents may photograph / film their own child, provided no other pupil/s are included in the photograph / video.

D. Ghafari-Kanno  
Acting Head Teacher  
Designated Safeguarding Lead

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to find our complete mobile phone policy

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(LAST ONE OF 2017!)

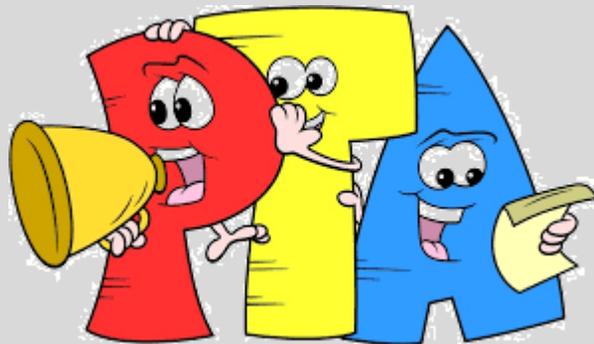
Year 2 Class Assembly:  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup>  
9:10am

PTA Fundraiser:  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

European Languages Day:  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>

School Closes for Winter  
Break:  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>

School Re-opens:  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January  
2018



Another successful and fruitful PTA meeting has been held and we are pleased to announce our new Secretary, Brother Rizwan.

The gardening group are excited to announce that they have installed two new 'mud' kitchens into the Nursery and Reception areas. Please pop by and have a look if you get chance.

Following the huge success of our last food fair, masha'Allah, our next food fair will be on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, with the proceeds going towards much needed equipment for the school insha'Allah. Please do come along and support our efforts.

The parking situation continues to be a topic for discussion, and we would ask all parents to please be considerate when choosing where to park. We will be liaising with the residents over a potential solution suggested by a PTA member. More details in the next newsletter.

Lastly, we are hoping to make Winter baskets to give out to the neighbours before the end of term insha'Allah. We will be looking for donations of items such as packets of tea, coffee, jam, biscuits, fruit cake etc and help to package them, before the children will distribute them.

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## YOUR VOICE

WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR FAVOURITE MMPS MOMENT OF 2017?

Comment below, cut this part out and return to your class teacher!

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*"You who believe, do not cancel out your charitable deeds with hurtful words..."*  
(Quran 2:262)