



## PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

## NEWSLETTER – February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the Spring term! We trust you had a wonderful break with your children.

We're thrilled to announce some exciting refurbishment updates. The KS1 building is now fully carpeted and ready for the next phase of decoration. Additionally, in KS2, we've added branding and made enhancements to our library and further throughout the building.

In the coming months, we'll continue with further improvements, starting with the replacement of the heating system in the KS2 building. We'll keep you informed about any staffing changes in the days ahead.

I would like to share congratulations to Miss Petch who is expecting her first baby! Please join us in celebrating this special time with her.

A gentle reminder: while colourful hair extensions may look charming, they're not part of our uniform expectations. We kindly request refraining from sending children to school with colourful hair. In addition, we only allow studded earrings, not hooped ones.

It has come to our attention that there have been incidents of rudeness towards our local residents during drop-off and pick-up times. Please remember that this behaviour is unacceptable and disrespectful. Let's work together to ensure a positive and respectful environment for everyone.

Mrs Wilby  
**Associate Principal**

### Key Dates:

**Friday 2 February**  
Number day 2024

**Thursday 8 February**  
Y5 Trip to Tower of  
London

**Thursday 8 February**  
Last day of half-term

**Monday 19 February**  
Return to school

For more Key Dates in  
2024, please use the  
following link:

[Maltby Manor Academy  
Calendar & Events](#)

## SUBJECT OF THE MONTH- READING

We're thrilled to introduce our new collection of reading for pleasure books to both children to enjoy at home. Each year group will have access to a selection of 25 captivating books for home reading. Throughout this journey, there will be exciting rewards to be earned—the greater the number of books read, the more rewards you'll unlock.

We're delighted to announce that we have purchased new reading books for the KS2 library, made possible by the funds raised during last year's Scholastic book fair. Your ongoing support has greatly contributed to enriching our library collection, and we're eager to share these exciting additions with everyone.

World Book Day is on Thursday, 7th March. It's a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the joy of reading and immerse ourselves in the world of books.



## THE CURIOUS CHILD

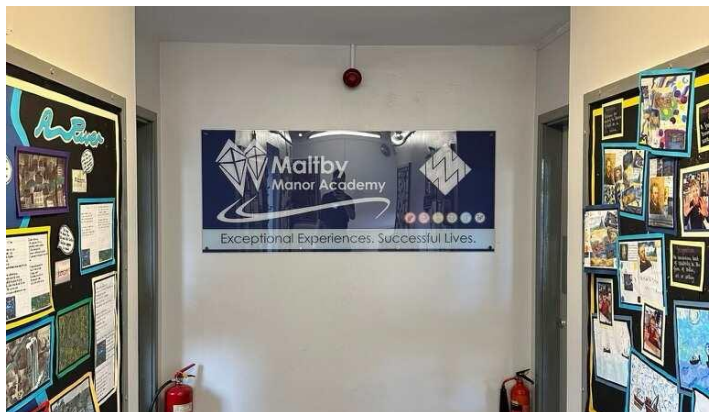
We are eager to develop our knowledge.

Our children will be equipped with the capacity and tools to inquire about the world that surrounds them. They will pose questions and actively seek solutions, thereby enhancing their comprehension, knowledge, and aptitude for learning. In order to achieve this, we will:

Implement a curriculum that emphasises captivating and fascinating facts, conveyed through creative and innovative teaching methods.

Expose children to immersive and thrilling learning experiences and settings that ignite their curiosity and encourage them to delve deeper into the subject matter.

Ensure that the learning process is meaningful by providing practical contexts that enable learners to perceive the purpose behind their actions.



### YEAR GROUP ATTENDANCE TO DATE:

Fullwood – 93.9%	Buckingham – 96.0%
Fountains – 92.4%	Blenheim – 93.8%
Fitzwilliam – 92.1%	Cannon – 91.3%
Kelham – 95.1%	Chatsworth – 92.4%
Kensington – 95.5%	Haddon – 91.5%
Aston – 88.3%	Hardwick – 93.2%
Ashford – 92.2%	
Rufford – 96.0%	
Roche – 91.8%	



## TOWER OF LONDON

'Before the holidays, the Y5 children were fortunate enough to be given the opportunity for an exceptional experience to visit our capital city, London. They were able to immerse themselves in the history of the Tower of London and were even able to see a few famous landmarks along the way including: Tower Bridge, The Shard and The Gherkin. Whilst we were there, we completed a Pirates workshop as many years ago, pirates tried to invade the tower and steal the Crown Jewels. We were able to see the Crown Jewels in person and we were lucky enough to meet a guard who told us lots of information about the jewels, including the crown that King Charles wore in his very recent coronation. The children had a fantastic day and were able to enjoy their packed tea on the bus on the journey home!