



Maun 2025

June 2025

Welcome back to the final half-term of the year and as always, one that promises to be super-busy but full of fun!

In curriculum learning this half-term, there will be a Science and Geography focus on **Seasonal Change** in Year 2; a History and DT focus on **The Great Fire of London** in Year 1; and a **Minibeast** theme across all areas of the curriculum in the Early Years Foundation Stage (nursery and Butterflies). Keep an eye on Marvellous Me and our school Facebook page for on-going updates about your child's learning.

As we're now heading towards the end of the school year, please also be reminded that there will be no parent evening meetings this term as teachers are busy preparing end-of-year written reports for children in F2, Y1 and Y2. Hardcopies of these will be sent home with children towards the end of term, with additional copies provided for separated parents where you have made us aware that this should be the case.

Arbor Success!

We now have a whopping 76% of families who have



followed the steps to gain access to the parent portal of our new electronic pupil management system, Arbor. Thank you to everyone for bearing with us while we've resolved any issues which have arisen. We're definitely getting there!

If you haven't yet followed the steps to log into Arbor, please be reminded that places at afterschool clubs can only be booked through Arbor from this half-term. Similarly, we are now moving towards becoming a cashless school from September 2025. This means that the majority of paid events set up from now on, will be booked and paid for through Arbor too. This includes our



upcoming Father's Day event – more information is overleaf.

Please do contact the school office if you need any support with logging in or setting up your account.

After-School Clubs

All after-school clubs this term will start in the week beginning Monday 16th June and end in the week beginning Monday 14th July (except Dance Club which won't take place on Wednesday 16th July but will end on Wednesday 23rd July instead). Booking for all clubs will go live on Arbor next <u>Monday 9th June at 6.00pm</u>. Places will be booked on a first come, first served basis so we hope that this will be a convenient time for initial access by the majority of our families.

To give fair access to clubs for as many children as possible:

- we would kindly ask that parents and carers only ever book <u>one</u> club on the opening day of booking, then return to the system on the second day (or later) to book any further clubs where places are still available
- we will withdraw any child's place at a club if they miss 2 sessions within a half-term where there is a waiting list for the club. Where a place has been withdrawn, you will be notified of this by text message or email

For clarification, if Arbor allows you to book a place at a club, the place is secured for your child and you should be able to see the dates for each session of the club, on your child's timetable on Arbor. The clubs on offer this half-term are as follows:

Club	Leading Staff Member	Day of Club	Open To
OPAL	Miss McGaw	Tuesdays	F2, Y1, Y2
Recorders	Miss Norman	Wednesdays	Y1, Y2
Dance	Miss Bennett with Coach Clare	Wednesdays	F2, Y1, Y2
Board Games	Miss Chapman	Wednesdays	Y1, Y2

Gas Update



Last half-term. I let you know that there was a problem with the gas supply in school. This had resulted in the gas being switched off, leaving no heating and no hot water in some areas.

The potential issue was first brought to our attention by parents who thought they could smell gas outdoors at the back of our building. Whilst investigation showed that there was no gas detected in this area, it did show that there is a leak somewhere in the underground pipework, which runs from our gas meter at the top of the school drive down to the building. As a result, it is still the case that there is no gas supply to the school as things stand, and we are looking into potential options for repair or more environmentally friendly solutions which would remove the need for gas completely. Once we know more about how this will be resolved and when, I will let you know. In the meantime, please ensure your child has a jumper or cardigan at school for use indoors, on cooler days. Thank you.

Upcoming Events



On Monday 23rd June at 2pm, we will be hosting a **Father's Day Fun Sports** event for the wonderful men in our children's lives. This will be an afternoon

of fun sports for Maun children who are accompanied by a male who is important to them. Adults and children will participate alongside each other and refreshments will be available too. Places should be booked and paid for in advance on Arbor, at a cost of £2 per family. To allow as many Maun families to participate as possible, sibling groups may attend together but we will only be able to accommodate **one adult** to join them. Booking for this event will go live on Arbor, next Wednesday 11th June at 6.00pm.

Please note that due to the outdoor nature of this event, it will only go ahead if the weather permits.



Our end-of-year sporting events across school will take place as usual.

KS1 Sports Day is planned for the morning of Friday 4th July this year. This event takes place on Forest View's school field and parents/carers are invited to attend. Please look out for more information about this soon.

We take a different approach for our youngest children, to avoid them becoming overwhelmed by large numbers of unfamiliar adults. Instead, all our EYFS children (those in nursery and Butterflies), will join together for an **EYFS Fun Sports afternoon** at Maun, on Thursday 3rd July. Though parents and carers will not be able to attend, we will take lots of photos to share with you afterwards. On this day, children who would normally attend the morning nursery session, will have the option of attending nursery as normal and coming back again in the afternoon for the event, or swapping from the morning to the afternoon for the day.

As part of their curriculum learning on Minibeasts, our EYFS Team will be hosting an **Ugly Bug Ball theme day** for all nursery children and Butterflies. This will take place on Wednesday 25th June and there will be lots of bug-related fun going on during the day. EYFS children are welcome to dress up with a bug-related theme if they wish but there is no expectation for this to be the case.

Where dressing up is preferred, a home-made mask, hat or simply clothes of a relevant bug-colour (i.e. green for a caterpillar) will be perfectly appropriate.



School Office Update

During the last half-term, there have been some changes to the working hours of our admin team. As a result, there are more times when our school

office is staffed by only one person, so please be aware that it may take us longer to answer the phone or door during these times.



Please also be aware that there will be no admin staff from 2.15pm each Monday and Thursday. Though Mrs Ramsdale, myself and other senior leaders will answer phones, buzzers etc. and deal with urgent matters, please try to avoid contacting the office with non-urgent queries at these times. Thank you.

School office opening hours are now typically as follows:

Monday	8.15am – 2.15pm
Tuesday	8.15am – 4.40pm
Wednesday	8.15am – 4.40pm
Thursday	8.15am – 2.15pm
Friday	8.15am – 4.40pm

Transition

Whole school transition days this year, will take place from Monday 30th June – Wednesday 2nd July.

Due to the opening of the new Thoresby Vale Primary Academy in Edwinstowe, there are a few more children than usual who are not transferring to Forest View in Year 3, or who are moving from Maun at the end of F2 or Y1. These children will spend the three transition days together at Maun.

All other Year 2 children will spend all three days in their new classes at Forest View. Specific details were outlined on a previous letter and we'll send further email reminders nearer the time.

Children in F2 and Y1 will meet their new teachers on Monday 30th June. They will then spend most of their time on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd July in these new classes.

Parents and carers please note that:

• current F2 and Y1 children who are staying at Maun, should be dropped off at their new

classroom doors on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd July, but be picked up from current classroom doors at the end of both days.

- Current F2 and Y1 children who are moving to Thoresby Vale, should be dropped off at the hall door on the back of our building on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd July, but be picked up from current classroom doors at the end of both days.
- Current Y2 children who are moving to Thoresby Vale, should be dropped off at the hall door on the back of our building on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd July, but be picked up from the Rabbit classroom door at the end of both days.

Our new F2 children will also visit their new classes on these days and F1 new starters will be joining us for a Stay and Play sessions too.

What a busy week it's going to be!

This time of year can be unsettling for some of our children, as they begin to think about the changes to come. If your child shows any signs that they are worried, please acknowledge their feelings, speak positively about the change and reassure them that it's normal to feel a little worried, but that everything will be ok. If you do wish to talk more with your child about this at home, you may

like to use the picture book 'Ruby's Worry' as a starting point. This was recently used in a transition assembly with Year 2s but would also be suitable for F2s and Y1s as a way into the subject.



If any child's worries are so significant that we need to be made aware, please try to let us know at a time when your child is not present so that our conversations don't inadvertently cause the worries to increase. Thank you.

Summer Fayre

Our annual Summer Fayre will take place this year on Friday 18th July from 3.30 to 5.30pm. Please spread the word and do come along if you can. Money raised from this event really does make such a difference! It's typically used to replenish and add to resources for our Maun children, and we also usually try and fund the cost of coaches for at least one school trip per child during each academic year. More details are soon to follow.

School Website



Our new school website has now been launched. This can be found at www.mauninfants.co.uk and is

easily identifiable by our new school logo. Any updated information about our school will now be made on this website rather than the old one. However, please be aware that it is not yet fully developed so you may find some issues with hyperlinks, and we know that upcoming dates are not yet visible on the school calendar. Please bear with us whilst we work to develop this further. Thank you!



And Finally, it has become apparent recently that standards in respect of some children's behaviour onsite at the start and end of the school day; bringing personal belongings on school site; and school uniform expectations are not as high as they should be. In some instances, this is leading to health and safety concerns and some children's disregard for the rules and routines in school.

We have always been very proud of the positive reputation our school has in the local community, as a result of our high expectations of Maun children and the support of our families to achieve these. To maintain this, parents and carers, please be reminded of the following and support the school by consistently reinforcing these rules with your children:

- 'Walking feet' must be used by <u>everyone</u> who uses our school path, to minimise the possibility of accidents. Scooters and bikes are not to be ridden, including by older or younger siblings of our Maun children
- The area of banking behind the log retaining wall at the front of our building, is not to be used by children. This also means children should not be allowed to walk along the top of the logs

- Children must not be allowed to use the trim trail or tyres in weather which would make it unsafe i.e. when it's slippy due to rain or frost. Where the trim trail or tyres are used by children before or after school, this must be supervised appropriately by parents and carers.
- Jewellery is not permitted in school for children, other than small stud earrings or watches (no smart watches please)
- Toys including teddies, and other unnecessary personal belongings are not permitted without prior agreement from the school. Usually, this will only be given for a time-limited period where a child has a special educational need
- Crocs, sandals or other slip on/open-toe shoes are not suitable for the play types undertaken at school and are not permitted. Footwear should only consist of school shoes, trainers on PE days or wellies for outdoor use

To successfully reinforce all of the above, it is vital that these messages are given jointly by adults at home as well as those at school. Many thanks in anticipation of your support as always.

Best wishes,

Míss Norman

Headteacher

Diary Dates:

Fri 6 th June	Children back to school
WB Mon 9 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check week
Tues 10 th June	Y2 Transition Day 1 with Forest View
Tues 10 th June	Welcome Meeting for new F2
2.30pm	starters, Sept 2025
Weds 11 th June	Welcome Meeting for new F2
9.00am	starters, Sept 2025
Weds 11 th June	Transition Coffee Morning for Y2
9.00am	parents at Forest View
Thurs 12 th June	Y2 Parent Meeting at Forest
3.45pm	View
Mon 16 th June & Tues 17 th June 4.00 – 5.00pm	Open Evenings for new F2 starters, Sept 2025
Tues 17 th June	Y2 Transition Day 2 with Forest View
Mon 23 rd June 2.00pm	Father's Day Fun Sports Event

Weds 25 th June	Y2 Transition Day 3 with Forest View
Weds 25 th June	Ugly Bug Ball theme day – Nursery and Butterflies only
Mon 30 th June – Weds 2 nd July	Whole School Transition Days
Thurs 3 rd July am	KS1 Sports Day practice
Thurs 3 rd July pm	EYFS Fun Sports afternoon
Fri 4 th July 9.30am	KS1 Sports Day on Forest View field
Thurs 10 th July 9.30am	Reserve KS1 Sports Day date (in case of bad weather on original date)
Thurs 19 th July pm	Reserve EYFS Fun Sports afternoon date (in case of bad weather on original date)
Fri 18 th July	F2 trip to the Butterfly House
Fri 18 th July 3.30 – 5.30pm	Summer Fayre
Mon 28 th July 2.30pm & Tues 29 th July 9.15am	Y2 Graduation
Tues 29 th July	Last day of term
Mon 1 st Sept 2025	Start of new school year 2025-26