



The Meadows Primary School



Newsletter No.1

20th April 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Hopefully Summer is on its way! If this lovely weather continues, can you please make sure children have sun hats and water bottles in school?

We have had a great start to Term 5 and the children have been enjoying our Arts week this week. We look forward to the exhibition of their work that will be happening on Tuesday 8th May at 3pm in the hall. The money that we raise as a school will be used to enhance the current arts curriculum with opportunities of workshops, school performances and art projects around the school environment. We hope you will all be able to support this event and you should receive an invitation soon!

Mrs Joy Mounter
Headteacher

Focus, Flourish and Fly

This fortnight we celebrate

Meadows Promise certificates

EYFS— Alex Clarke

Year 1— Barney Dimpleby

Year 2— Luke Horfall

Year 3— Isla Daly

Year 4— Leighton Wilde

Year 5— Josh Chenoweth

Year 6— Mia- Ruby Garcia-Shearn

Attendance of the week

Birch Class – Year 4

The Meadows Pride Trophy

Birch Class Year 4



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New logo

I am pleased to share with you the new logo that the school council have worked on with myself and a graphic designer. They decided at the start that the squirrel did not really match the school name, as it was a woodland animal, so they decided upon a butterfly design to match the name The Meadows. They have chosen 7 butterflies of different shapes and sizes to represent the 7 classes at The Meadows and the fact that we are all different and unique. We also feel that a butterfly represents a journey of growth that the children go on through primary where they then are ready to fly off on their journey to Secondary school. I hope you love it as much as we do!

A Sad Goodbye

It is with great sadness that we have learned this week of the passing away of Mrs Joyce Lock MBE. Mrs Lock worked at the school from 1974, for several decades, as a school crossing patrol warden and as a lunchbreak supervisor. The Meadows School was her life. One past headteacher said of her: "Anyone connected with The Meadows either as a parent, pupil, and member of staff or governor will have been touched by Joyce's thoughtfulness and dedication."

Joyce spent the rest of her time in school, voluntarily helping wherever she might be needed. She particularly enjoyed teaching small groups of children to sew, as well as supporting the teachers in their classrooms.

For some of us she will be remembered for her devotion and long standing support as a key member of the PTA. For nearly 40 years, she gave tirelessly of her time attending meetings and events. She loved at Christmas time wrapping all the presents and books for the children and organising and preparing the food for their parties. The school was thrilled in 2004 when she was honoured by the Queen with an MBE, for her services to Education.

Our thoughts are with her family at this sad time. Mrs Lock was a very special lady who will be remembered with great affection.

Sponsored Reading Challenge

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Meadows Sponsored Read over the Easter holidays. We are absolutely delighted to announce that we raised £560 with Ewan in Year One raising over £100 just by himself! WOW! Super job Ewan!

This means that we will be adding some brand-new Usborne Reading books to our school reading books, which everyone will be able to benefit from.

Usborne books add up to 60% to our total so we are set to get even more books for school which is fantastic.

Thank you once again for your brilliant home support! Keep reading!

Miss W Sanders

The Meadows Art Exhibition

On **Tuesday 8th May** we will be holding an Art Exhibition in the **Hall from 3 -4.30pm**. This will be a showcase of the children's work, produced during Arts Week, across the whole school.

Every child will have a professionally framed piece of their work on display. Each piece will be available to buy for a cost of £9 with all profits going towards the school.

Please feel free to come and view the work on display and any purchases will be ready for collection after a payment has been made using the School Money online payment system.

The display will be open until 4.30pm - we hope to see you there as there is some fabulous work on display.

Mrs H Macleod

School Term and INSET Dates 2017/18

Term 5

Start: Monday 9 April 2018

Finish: Friday 25 May 2018

Remaining Inset Days

Term 6

Start: Monday 4 June 2018

Finish: Monday 23 July 2018

Friday 25 May 2018

Monday 23 July 2018

Term 5 Dates for the diary:

8th May—Art exhibition from 3pm in the hall— more details to follow

8th May—KS1 SATs week

14th May—KS2 SATs week

24th May—Last day of term as 25th May is an INSET day

School term dates 2018/19

Term 1

Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th September—INSET Days

Start: Wednesday 5th September 2018

Finish: Friday 26th October 2018

Term 2

Monday 5th November and Friday 21st December—INSET days

Start: Tuesday 6th November 2018

Finish: Thursday 20th December 2018

Term 3

Start: Monday 7th January 2019

Finish: Friday 15th February 2019

Term 4

Monday 25th February – INSET day

Start: Tuesday 26th February 2019

Finish: Friday 5th April 2019

Term 5

Friday 24th May – INSET day

Start: Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Finish: Thursday 23rd May 2019

Term 6

Start: Monday 3rd June 2019

Finish: Tuesday 23rd July 2019