



# The Meadows Primary School



Newsletter No.10

12th Oct 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all the parents who donated items for the Harvest assembly. We had a lovely celebration with the children sharing many Harvest songs. Thank you to Ken Gibson from St Mary's church for finishing our assembly with a thought for the day/prayer.



The donations will be heading to Keynsham food bank soon.

Joy Mounter Headteacher

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**School Term and INSET Dates**

click [here](#)

**New dates added for 2019-2020**

## Focus, Flourish and Fly

This fortnight we celebrate

### Meadows Promise certificates

**EYFS— Oliver Thompson**

**Year 1— Maggie Daly**

**Year 2— Barbara Tokar**

**Year 3— Maisie Hutchins**

**Year 4— Beau Jordan-Sanders**

**Year 5— Jess Hogg**

### Excellent Learning certificates

**EYFS— Toby Deeley**

**Year 1— Daniel McLaren**

**Year 2— Josh Derrick-Hayes**

**Year 3— Megan Gains**

**Year 4— Oakley Ramsey-Dunne**

**Year 5— Todd Bennett**

**Year 6— Josh Chenoweth**

### Attendance of the week

**Bluebell - Year 3 (2 weeks running)**

### The Meadows Pride Trophy

**Year 5 followed by Year 1**

### Bitton In Bloom Award

Congratulations to Miss Pulman and the current Year 3 children who won an award for their flowers they had grown last year. They have received a Highly Commended award and a pot plant for their efforts which is displayed in the entrance to the school. Take a look at the fantastic flowers below!



### Looking So Smart

Thank you to everyone who has ensured that his or her child is wearing the correct uniform in line with our new policy. Mrs Carver has shared this policy with the children in an assembly. Obviously if you have bought/still have uniform not in line with the policy e.g. black trousers, then please ensure that when you replace it you refer to the policy, which can be found on our website [here](#). We will be expecting school shoes to be worn but if your child is currently wearing plain black trainers that have been purchased for school then please replace them with shoes when they wear out. If you are thinking that you may purchase winter boots for your daughter then please make sure they are plain black and short like the picture below. We do not want the children wearing fashion boots e.g. Ugg style or with studs, tassels or fur. Thank you for your support whilst we raise expectations on presentation at The Meadows.



### PTA fundraising



The PTA are working hard to raise money for a climbing structure similar to this one so please do support their events as much as possible and follow them on their FB page [here](#). To help raise money for this fantastic project you could support them from the comfort of your home by signing up for their new school lottery. It is really easy to do and you could win a cash prize up to £25,000. If you would like to know more or want to sign up then follow the link [here](#).



### **Linden Homes donation**

The PTA have been given a £500 donation by Linden Homes who are building the new development at Bitton Mill. They have been given the donation towards the new play equipment that they are fundraising for. They hope to install a Tryfan climber or similar in the near future so thank you for the kind donation from Linden Homes.

### New class names

The school council have looked at renaming the classes as they were trees and this did not fit with the new logo and meadows theme. They have chosen wildflower names and the classes will be renamed shortly. They are also looking at renaming the houses so watch this space for an update on this soon! The new names are

Year R - Poppy

Year 1 - Daisy

Year 2 - Buttercup

Year 3 - Bluebell

Year 4 - Cornflower

Year 5 - Foxglove

Year 6 - Honeysuckle

### **Unauthorised absence**

The home- school agreement states that the family will... 'not take children out for holidays during term time'. This is because we know how important it is for children to regularly be in school so that they do not miss any valuable learning and the need to catch up when they get back. If you do decide to take your child on holiday during term time this will be unauthorised and the school will not be providing you with missed work as this gives extra workload to teachers. This year we will be following WMAT attendance policy that you can read [here](#). The school will be asking the Local Authority to issue fixed penalty notices if **unauthorised absence such as holidays are taken during term time without the school's permission and if a pupil has accrued more than ten or more consecutive unauthorised absences and where there overall attendance is 95% or below for that academic year**. This is in line with WMAT policy. A day's absence is recorded as 2 sessions so 5 consecutive days absence will equal 10 unauthorised absences. If you have a planned absence from school please go to the office to fill in an absence request form.

### **Please Park Responsibly**

Yet again I am asking a few parents to please respect others and park responsibly when picking up or dropping off children to school. Irresponsible parking has been reported to our PCSO who will be supporting the school in dealing with the school community who choose to put people's lives at risk to save a little time. Please try and walk to school or allow extra time to park away from the school and walk in. Thank you.

### **Dates for your Diary**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Glow Disco for KS1 and KS2 Change of date**

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm – Parent tours for new Reception class September 2019

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – 5pm to 6pm - Information session for the current Reception class**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October – End of Term 1

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November – Start of Term 2

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November – 3.45pm – 6.30pm Parents evening

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November – 3.45pm – 6.30pm Parents evening

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November – 1.15pm - Parent tours for new Reception class September 2019**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November – 9.15am - Parent tours for new Reception class September 2019**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November – 3.45pm – 4.45pm – Stay and Play session for new Reception September 2019**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – 9.15am – 11.15am – Christmas craft morning and tree decoration – Parents, carers and Grandparents welcome.**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December – 3.30pm – 5.30pm - Christmas Fair and Christmas jumper day (donation of a wrapped present for the fair)**



School Commission code of **23281**



Back by popular demand...

The Friends of the Meadows

# Glow Disco

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November at:

5pm - 6pm - Reception, Year 1 & 2

6.15pm - 7.15pm - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

✚ Entry: £3.00 per child

✚ Tuck shop and glow accessories (max. spend £3.00 per child)

✚ In order for this event to be successful, children must be collected promptly at the end of their time slot.

If your child(ren) would like to attend, please return the slip below together with your entry fee no later than the end of school on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November.**

Please note that we will not be able to accept any late slips.

I would like ..... tickets to the disco on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November and enclose my entry fee of £.....

Child(ren)'s name(s) .....

Emergency Contact Number .....

Collected by (if person other than parent).....

Signed .....(parent/Carer)

*We will only use the details you have provided to contact you during the event and to ensure children's safe collection. All slips are destroyed after the event.*