



# The Meadows Primary School



Newsletter No.14

14th Dec 2018



Dear Parents/Carers,

As this is the last newsletter of this term I would like to send Christmas wishes to all of the school community. I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

The children have been busy getting their performances ready for next week. There has been lots of lovely Christmas singing around school and yesterday I caught a glimpse of the EYFS and KS1 children in their costumes as they did a dress rehearsal to KS2. I am really looking forward to their show of 'Rock the Baby' next week on Monday at 2pm and Tuesday at 9.30am. We also have the KS2 carol concert to look forward to at St Mary's Church on Wednesday at 2pm.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Upton Inn choir event. Again, it had a lovely Christmassy atmosphere and there were many presents collected by St Mary's so thank you if you donated.

Joy Mounter Headteacher

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New dates added for 2019-2020

## Focus, Flourish and Fly

This fortnight we celebrate

### Meadows Promise certificates

**EYFS— Henry Shaw**

**Year 1— Luca Rendu**

**Year 2— Noah Corboy**

**Year 3— Jack Hallett**

**Year 4— Jack Carradine**

**Year 5— Blake Smith**

**Year 6 – Olivia Bromiley**

### Excellent Learning certificates

**EYFS— Daisy Stone**

**Year 1— Ellen Bewes**

**Year 2— Florence Boyce**

**Year 3—Ellen Knight**

**Year 4— Stephanie Derrick-Hayes**

**Year 5— Gracie Baker**

**Year 6— Philip du Pre**

### Attendance of last week

**Bluebell – Year 3 Foxglove - Year 5**

**The Meadows Pride Trophy**

**Daisy – Year 1 Cornflower – Year 4**

### **New staff joining The Meadow's Team**

I am pleased to tell you that we have three new staff members at The Meadows. Mr Ted Garrett is our new permanent caretaker. He is with us each day from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. He also works as part of the premises team at SBL. Miss Jenny Meacher will be the new Year 2 class teacher next term. She is experienced in teaching Year 2 and will be a great addition to the team. Mrs Heather Macleod will be joining us again as the Year 6 booster teacher next term. She will be with us for 1 day a week on a Thursday.

### **Bedminster Down join WMAT**

I am pleased to announce that we have another school joining WMAT. Recently Wansdyke Primary School joined and on 1<sup>st</sup> December, Bedminster Down Secondary School joined our Multi-Academy Trust. We will be looking forward to working in collaboration with these schools, sharing best practice. There are also plans underway to develop more cross trust activities for the staff and children too so we will keep you informed of these new exciting opportunities.

### **Year 6 Lifeskills**

I was very lucky to have the opportunity to join the Year 6 children and Mrs Bohin and Ms Gentle on one of the best school visits I have ever been on. The Lifeskills centre gave the children the opportunity to experience real life scenarios and how to deal with these. This included calling emergency services when they were faced with a fire or similar emergency events. Do take a look at their website [here](#) to see the type of scenarios they experienced. The opportunities and learning experiences for these children were invaluable and we will continue to repeat this visit for Year 6 children in the future. I wish I had had this life skills opportunity when I was at school.

### **Football win for The Meadows**

Congratulations to The Meadows Year 5/6 Boys Football team who played in the B&NES Cup on Tuesday against St Stephens B. The Meadows were represented by Aran, Elliott, Euan, Harry, Judah, Logan, Max, Philip and Todd. All the boys played really well as a team and showed great skill and determination, special mention to Todd and Euan who played out of position in goal and to Aran who scored four times and Harry who scored twice. The Meadows won 6 – 2 and were complimented on their play by the referee and opposition coach. Many thanks to Brad for coaching the team on Thursday lunch times and to all the parents, grandparents and carers who took the boys to the match at Kingswood School and supported them on a cold afternoon. A huge well done!



### Christmas lunch thank you

A huge thank you to the Zest team - Gary, Jackie and Sarah who served 200 Christmas lunches to children and staff last week. I know it takes a lot of work so thank you. Also a thank you to the PTA who provided crackers and decorative tablecloths for this special lunch. It was very much appreciated.

### Christmas Fair

Today is our Christmas Fair and we look forward to seeing many of you later. A big thank you to 'The Friends of The Meadows' for organising of this event. We hope to raise lots of money for the outdoor play equipment project. Thank you to all the children that bought in a donation of a mystery gift for non-uniform day.

### Avon Valley

#### We have received a discount code

A massive thank you for choosing Avon Valley Adventure & Wildlife Park for your school visit this year. To show their appreciation they would like to pass on this discount code: **EV18, giving 40% discount on day entry** to the park between **2nd - 31st January 2019** to be shared with all of our pupils, staff and their families. The code can be used online or on the main gate any day in January.

### Dates for your Diary

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December – EYFS and KS1 performance at 2pm in the hall – **please go straight to the hall where the doors open at 1.45pm. Teas and coffees will be served afterwards and there will be a collection towards arts activities for the children in the future.**

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – EYFS and KS1 performance at 9.30am in the hall - **please go straight to the hall where the doors open at 9am. Teas and coffees will be served before and there will be a collection towards arts activities for the children in the future.**

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Carol concert at the church starting at 2pm. **If you are able to walk to the church with the children then they will be setting off at 1.15pm and we are collecting a list of names at the office. The children will return to school after the performance to collect their belongings and then they will be allowed to go home early if their parent or carer is there.**

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December – End of Term 2

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January – Start of Term 3**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January – Hobgoblin Theatre visit and workshops**



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