

# Meadows First School 22nd March 2024



### A message from Mr Satchwell

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can hardly believe it, but another busy term has drawn to a close! I have really enjoyed my first term here at Meadows and it has been great getting to know everyone. As the days lengthen and the promise of spring fills the air, we have been taking time in school this week to reflect on all that's been achieved and look forward to a well-deserved break.

This term has been a whirlwind of learning and exciting events and we know the children have worked incredibly hard, and we're so proud of their progress. We hope you have the opportunity to use the Easter break as a time for relaxation and spend time together.

Looking ahead we're already excited for everything that next term promises and we'll keep you updated on upcoming events and activities through future newsletters.

Thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support. Your partnership is invaluable in helping our children thrive.

We wish you all a safe and relaxing Easter break!

Your sincerely

Mr Satchwell

**P.S.** Don't forget to check out our school website for photos of all the term's activities including Year 4's residential last week.

### Latest News 15th March 2024

#### **Inclusion Quality Mark**

As I am sure you are aware, the school holds The Inclusion Quality Mark (IQM). This award recognises those Inclusive Schools which continue to demonstrate a commitment to outstanding levels of inclusive best practice. Centre of Excellence status provides us with an opportunity to build on current capacity with ongoing support from the IQM team. This week, we welcomed an external advisor from the IQM team to undertake our annual review of pre-agreed targets. The visit went very well and I am pleased to say that we have retained our Centre of Excellence status. The verbal feedback we received was very positive about how the staff in school work so hard to ensure inclusivity is prioritised. We look forward to sharing the full written report with you after Easter



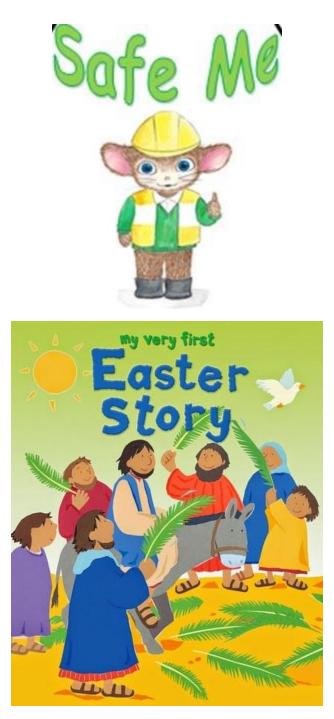
#### Safe Me Crew

As you know pupil voice in school is important and giving children responsibility is a big part of what we do. We have what we call a Safe Me Crew in Year 4 and it is their job to consider how safe the school is for everyone but particularly children. There are a number of aspects to their role such as building and playground safety, online safety as well as reviewing how safety is taught in the curriculum. This week,

the children conducted a site survey to ensure everything is as safe as possible. Overall, all was well, but there were a few minor issues that will be rectified to improve safety.







On Tuesday, The Reverend Ford was in school and he led an assembly all about the Easter. The children all got the chance to take part and they seemed to really enjoy his re-telling of the Easter Story and the message of love, hope and new beginnings. We are always very grateful to Reverend Ford for taking time to visit us.



1 - Thank you for your donations, we raised £192.80.

World Down Syndrome Day

There were lots of very weird, wonderful and odd socks in school on Thursday as we marked World Down Syndrome Day. It was great to see how many children wanted to take part in recognising our uniqueness. During singing assembly, the children all performed a special version of 'I Can Sing A Rainbow' with signed actions.









### **Meadows Mouse Awards**



#### Cygnets

Sibel N - excellent space writing.

Max H - working really hard with his letter formation.

#### Goslings

Pippa - trying hard in Phonics lessons.

Olivia - always enthusiastic to learn.

#### Caterpillars

Aurora S - working so hard to complete challenges in all subjects.

Seren P F - beautiful expressive reading.

#### Dragonflies

Pippa - excellent progress with writing in English.

Beatrix - great problem solving skills in Maths.

#### Owls

Wilfie - super focus and for working so hard to write an excellent fact file about castles.

Penny - being determined and working so hard to improve her handwriting in all of her lessons.

#### Hedgehogs

Bella - wonderful manners and positive attitude.

Myles - making such amazing progress with this writing.

#### Sharks

Josh D & Georgia F - excellent story writing in English.

#### Dolphins

Phoebe C H - exceptional work in every lesson.

Lucy A - fantastic progress with writing.

#### Jaguars

Jake - fantastic work on fractions.

Rowan - excellent knowledge and work in Science.

#### Tigers

Josh C - always being organised and helpful around the classroom.

Harriet - working extremely hard this with week and always trying her best.

### **Diary Dates**



Friday 22nd March	Break up for Easter holiday
Monday 8th April	Return from Easter holiday
Monday 15th April	Reception trip to Attwell Farm
Monday 6th May	Bank holiday - school closed
Friday 10th May	Class photographs
Tuesday 14th May	Year 4 Bell Boating Journey Day (details to follow)
Wednesday 15th May	Year 3 Botanical Gardens (details to follow)

## 'We are organised'.

