

Meadows First School

Welcome!



What did you do at school today?

Caring, sharing, preparing for life





Welcome to our school:

Mrs Hewitt



(the head teacher)

Mrs Dwyer



(deputy head)

There are 2 reception classes of 30 (made up from mixed groups of boys, girls, Nurseries etc):

Goslings: Mrs Tromans & Mrs Barker with Mrs Mobbs
& Mrs Wyton

Cygnets: Mr Wilbrooke with Mrs Sohna, Miss Wilkes & Miss Banks



A little about our school....

Our school motto is
"Caring, sharing, preparing for life"

Meadows Mouse helps embed the learning behaviours of **focused, determined, enthusiastic and organised**. Each week, 2 children from every class will receive an award for showing good learning behaviours and manners.

We aim to give children the very best start to school life both academically and by supporting their personal, social and emotional needs to help them be well-rounded, considerate and thoughtful young people.



We are proud to be a GOLD rights respecting school!
This means we teach children about their rights and embed this into the curriculum too.



I have the right
to be listened to

This is our wellbeing wheel
We teach children ways to keep
themselves and each other safe and
happy – to grow up to be caring and
responsible citizens.



The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

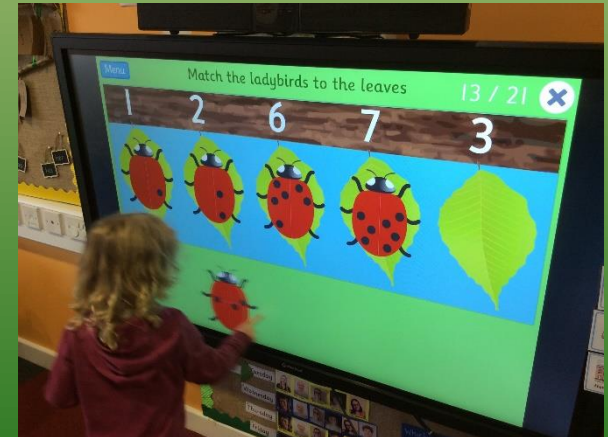
The EYFS is a play-based curriculum – following on from Nursery, with a balance of both **adult** and **child-initiated** tasks

There are 7 areas of learning. All have EQUAL importance;

**The Prime Areas:
PSED, PD, CL**

**The Specific Areas:
L, M, UW, EAD**

These areas of learning are developed and taught inside and in the outside classroom, through child and adult led activities



Specific Areas: covers reading, phonics, maths, science, art etc...



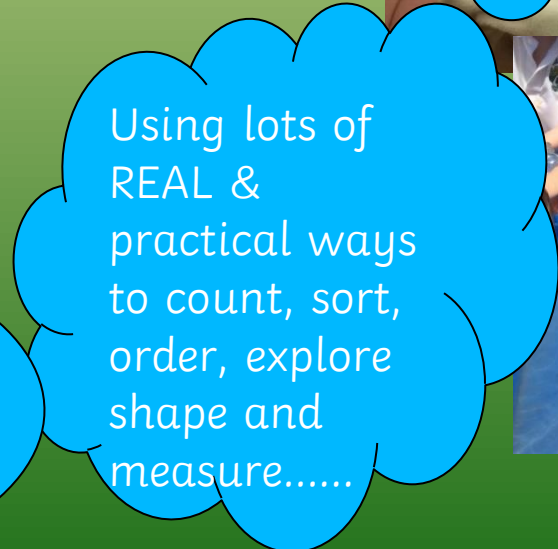
We follow the phonics programme called **little wandle** and we will be holding a phonics meeting in the autumn term.



Please hear your child read or share a book EVERY day !




Forest school every week – (children need waterproofs & wellies)



Using lots of REAL & practical ways to count, sort, order, explore shape and measure.....

Other useful information (in your booklet) :



Reception Team
Cygnets: Mrs Thomas & Mrs Sohna, Miss Wilkes
Goslings: Mrs Tromans, Ms Teare & Mrs Mobbs
Mrs Dwyer - Deputy Head & Foundation Stage Leader

Bring a named water bottle (use nail varnish to stay on) **(FILL ONLY WITH WATER PLEASE!)**

On Forest School days your child will need to come changed in appropriate clothing and waterproofs (NAMED) - all wellies are to be kept in school.

Please use the pay section on the website for school payments.

Welcome to **Meadows First School** Reception 2023-24
A few reminders...

Please do not send in snacks - we provide fruit for the children to eat at break time.

Please name **ALL** uniform (even shoes, socks & wellingtons)!

Please read with your child **every day** and record it in the reading record book - please use this to make comments.

Please go to the class pages on our website (Goslings and Cygnets) for lots of information and photos of the children's learning.

Please encourage independent dressing and undressing!
On P.E. days your child will need to come **ready changed** with a change of footwear (easy to put on)

Forest School: please provide waterproof trousers & jacket (large to fit over their coat)


We know that starting school can be a very anxious time for parents as well as children.
We want to make this as happy a time as possible for you and your child.
Please let us know if there are any worries or concerns - we will do our best to help!

Please **do not** send in toys to school, as it only causes upset when they get lost or broken!

Please encourage good hand hygiene, especially after going to the toilet or blowing their nose!

Sickness and tummy bugs: in order to prevent the spread of germs across the whole class and indeed school, your child must remain off school for 48 hours from their last time of sickness

If your child is unwell, please phone the school **before 9.00 am** on [01527 872508](tel:01527872508)



Uniform: (does not need to have school logo) but please name every item!

Encourage independence: (your child is a very important part of 30!)

Lunches: all can have a hot dinner - but if you prefer sandwiches please provide a packed lunch (no nuts/sweets - grapes cut up)



Working together with parents & carers.....

Stay & Play!

Library visits!

Weekly email of newsletters.



Open door –
speak to us!

Big Draw &
school events!

Friends of
Meadows

- Visit our Website! Go to Our School and then Our classes tab
<https://www.meadowsfirst.co.uk/year-by-year/goslings-and-cygnets>

A photograph of several children playing in a tree. One child is climbing a branch, while others are looking on. The scene is outdoors with many green leaves and a wooden fence in the background.

We are looking forward to a very positive and fun filled year ahead.

Thank you for coming!

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