



# MEADOWS FIRST SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



## A Message from Mrs Hewitt

It is starting to feel a bit more like **Christmas at Meadows**; trees are being decorated and Christmas songs are starting to be heard around school. Christmas may seem very different this year for us all, but please be assured that we are planning lots of lovely activities for the children to be involved in.

In the last week of term, we are planning:

-  **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December is Christmas Dinner Day.** Children will be making hats, decorations etc to create a festive atmosphere.
-  **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December is Wear a Christmas Jumper Day** in exchange for a donation. **Santa** will visit on this day. Friends are very kindly providing a present for the children.
-  **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December is Christmas Party day.** Children can **wear their own clothes**, and parents can send in a **small treat** (eg. cake, biscuit and a drink) just for their child (children cannot share their party treats, so please send something just for your own child).
-  **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December – last day of school.** There is no school on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Can I please ask parents to keep their child off school if they have **any symptoms** that **could be** related to COVID; it is better to be cautious. We would need to close a whole bubble if a child has been in school with symptoms and then tests positive. The teachers cannot make that decision for you, so if you have any doubts please keep your child at home, and get a test.

We raised £223.60 for Children in Need. Thank you for your support.



This half term's well-being focus is **Safe Me**. Children are learning about how to keep themselves safe, including on the internet.



This week the children have been involved in a Virtual Games competition. They have been competing in events such as long jump, and the scores for each child will be compared across the school and against other schools, to see who is the winner in each event.

## Staff News

I am sad to announce that two of our long-standing members of staff are retiring at Christmas. Mrs Fisher is retiring from her role in Nursery, and Miss Bailey will take over as the full time Nursery teacher. Mrs Archer is leaving her role as school business manager after 22 years at Meadows. Mrs Slack is taking over her role from January. We have also appointed a new attendance and administration officer. Miss Carthey will join us in January.

## Meadows Mouse Awards

these were given out today in a 'Zoom' assembly across school. Well done to the children listed below:

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| Goslings     | - | Joshua D – trying really hard with his name writing. Jessica C – practising her tricky words.  |
| Cygnets      | - | Ciaran R & Olivia M – always trying hard with everything they do and consistently showing what being good friends means.                         |
| Caterpillars | - | Oliver C – listening carefully. Lilly-May G – enjoying her reading & feeling proud of her success.   |
| Dragonflies  | - | Mya – great writing in English. Tulashee – hard work in all lessons.   |
| Owls         | - | Evan J – determination in writing his report about Keeping Healthy. Alissia L – being an enthusiastic and kind member of Owls Class.             |
| Hedgehogs    | - | Tia T – enthusiasm in every lesson. Jake M – amazing writing.  |
| Dolphins     | - | Harry F – working hard to learn his spellings. Lizzie J – focusing so well in writing lessons.   |
| Sharks       | - | Isabella W – always being a great example of a Meadows learner to others. Lenny A – always being focused in his work.                            |
| Jaguars      | - | James C – great results in his spelling test. Rosie R – great fable story.   |
| Tigers       | - | Seren C – writing a wonderful recount of the Boy Who Cried Wolf. Seth P – for being extremely focused in maths and enjoying tackling challenges. |