



MEADOWS FIRST SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



A Message from Mrs Hewitt

We have had a quiet week in school without our year 2 and year 3 children and staff. It will be lovely to see them back on Monday. The year 4 children have been busy preparing a short farewell song for their parents—hope the parents have their tissues ready on Monday. After two very disrupted years, it seems sad to see them leave, but we are trying to make sure they have a last week to remember. Thank you to the year 4 teachers, TAs and the office staff for their hard work in preparing these events for the children and for trying to make it as special as possible. Thank you also to Suzi Budd (Seren's mum) for supporting us with dancing tips and loud speakers to be used outdoors).

We are trying to continue with tight 'COVID' procedures for the last 3 days to avoid forced self-isolation for families and staff. We hope that everyone can enjoy a holiday or days out this summer! Thank you for your continued support; it is very much appreciated.

Friends of Meadows

Thank you to everyone who purchased a raffle ticket. The raffle has been drawn, we emailed the winners last Friday, please ensure you collect your prize before the end of term on Wednesday 21st July, and then press "accept" against your winning ticket on the Raffle website. We raised £483.30!!!!

What time do I come to school in September?

We hope to return to some normality in September. Please follow the one-way system around school for YR—Y2

Nursery: 9am drop off—collect 3pm (NB early starters and late finishers)

Reception: 8.45 am drop off—collect 3.15pm

Year 1: 8.45-8.55 am drop off—collect 3.15pm

Year 2: 8.45-8.55 am drop off—collect 3.15pm

Year 3: 8.45am drop off in Y3/ 4 playground. Children will line up and be collected by the class teacher—collect 3.15pm

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Uniform for September

If you are getting prepared for September, here is a reminder of the uniform that your child needs:

- grey trousers/ skirt/ pinafore dress,
 - a white polo shirt,
 - school sweatshirt/Cardigan
 - black school shoes.
- For summer, green and white check/striped dresses and grey shorts can be worn.

We will continue to allow children to come to school in their PE kit on PE days. The kit is black shorts or jogging bottoms, a yellow t-shirt (there are some available with a logo at <https://www.shopkeepeasy.com/meadows-first-school/p-e-kit> or the school shop in Bromsgrove) and trainers (outdoors) and pumps (indoors).

Key messages for parents re COVID

New LFD test reporting for parents. NHS Test and Trace have introduced household accounts. This allows parents to save their children's details to their own user accounts so parents can report results for multiple members in the household more quickly and easily. When reporting self-test results parents will now be offered the opportunity to create a household account, which should take no more than 2 minutes. Parents can then add all household members to their account, enabling them to save time when reporting all future self-test results.

Pupils who develop **COVID-19 symptoms up to and including Friday 23rd July** will need to inform school if they subsequently test positive office@meadows.worcs.sch.uk. Pupils who develop COVID-19 symptoms after Friday 23rd July and test positive will not need to inform school but will be required to self-isolate for 10 days and their close contacts will be identified through the national contact tracing service.



Meadows Mouse Awards

Goslings	Bobbi - writing creative sentences in phonics. Thomas - trying hard with his writing.
Cygnets	Zachary & Ava - always being kind, helpful and reliable class members that always try their very, very best.
Caterpillars	Annabelle - writing a brilliant story with exciting word choices. Harry - always working his socks off.
Dragonflies	Samuel & Addison - great reading progress.
Owls	Torben - excellent creativity during home learning. Harvey R - excellent effort with home learning.
Hedgehogs	Lauren M - always trying her hardest when working from home. Harry H - always pushing himself to do more with his home learning.
Sharks	Reegan K - being really imaginative and creative with his home learning. Darko R - designing and creating a fantastic Olympic torch.
Dolphins	Ailsa D & Lizzie J - outstanding effort in all lessons this year.
Jaguars	Jayden - great focus in lessons and super behaviour. Stanley - super effort in rehearsals.
Tigers	Stanley Darlow - always being enthusiastic in lessons and trying his best. Kayla Harvey - growing in confidence and working hard in all lessons.

Our challenge to travel from **London to Tokyo** has finished. As a school, we managed a total of 634,688kms, meaning we travelled to Tokyo 66 times! We logged 2653 sessions. Our overall class winners were Tigers, followed by Hedgehogs, then Caterpillars came third. Well done to everyone who took part- a great achievement.

Help boost your child's maths confidence this Summer with Carol's...

FREE Summer adventure

Keep your child entertained and boost their maths confidence over the holiday with an amazing FREE 6-week Summer adventure.

There's an adventure for every primary school year filled with a fun videos, games and activities.

https://www.themathsfactor.com/summer-adventure/?utm_source=ealert&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=GBPRMA0621SATEA



Free Summer Adventure course now open

The Maths Factor Summer Adventure is now open and we're calling **pupils aged 4 to 11** to join us to help boost their confidence in maths.

- Completely **free course**.
- **Matched to each child's learning stage and confidence**.
- 1 x 20-minute session per day, 5 days a week.
- Virtual rewards can be earned as they progress.
- **Proven methodology** with tutorials, warm-up questions and lots of practice.



The Maths Factor supported more than **half a million children during lockdown** and we are committed as ever to helping children across the country stay on track with their maths.

Summer Holiday Activity Bookings

Ready, Steady, Worcestershire have partnered with clubs, schools and organisations across the county to bring together the Summer Holiday Activities Programme – offering free Summer Club places to **children eligible for FSM**. New clubs are being added all the time and activities range from bushcraft, sport, crafts and dance to farm days, parkour, science, cooking and more!

The Summer Holiday Activities Programme is aimed at children aged between 5-15 with something for everyone. Families can book through the Ready, Steady, Worcestershire page or directly through the clubs.

The online booking system for the Summer Activities programme is now live! Go to www.worcestershire.gov.uk/rsu to book.

This initiative is part of the wider Holiday Activities and Food programme, a Government funded scheme to make Summer Activities and Food available to all families. Holiday Club places will be free for Free School Meal eligible children and it will run alongside the Free School Meal Voucher programme. A healthy, tasty lunch will be provided at all clubs.