

The Mead Community Primary School

What's on this Week – Monday 5th December 2016



Term 2 Week 6

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***** 'BE ON TIME, TEN TO NINE' *****

Our school latest news: www.themead.wilts.sch.uk/news-dates/latest-news
Our Twitter feed: @TweetTheMead

***** THIS IS THE LAST WEEK OF CLUBS BEFORE WE BREAK UP *****

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| Monday 05/12/2016 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9.00am – Celebration Assembly – Star of the Week• Crickets school trip to @Bristol• 2.00pm – Ladybirds Dress Rehearsal |
| Tuesday 06/12/2016 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bikeability Day 1 (selected children) |
| Wednesday 07/12/2016 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9.00am - Community Assembly – Bling Your Bike with Miss Harrison• 2.00pm – Year 1 Dress Rehearsal (pre-school siblings welcome)• 6.00pm – 7.00pm – Ladybirds and Y1 Star Gazing Evening |
| Thursday 08/12/2016 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Foxes school trip to @Bristol• Bikeability Day 2 (selected children)• 9.15am – Year 1 performance 'Christmas with the Aliens'• 11.00am – Year 3 Dress Rehearsal (pre-school siblings welcome)• 2.00pm – Year 3 Performance 'Night Before Christmas' |
| Friday 09/12/2016 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9.15am – Ladybirds performance – 'The Bossy King' (pre-school siblings welcome)• Y5/6 selected children swimming |

Dear Parents and Carers

This week during our art STOD we have been looking at 2 pieces of Pop Art, created by Andy Warhol, a revolutionary artist of the 20th century.

Andy Warhol took popular subjects and objects and made them the focus of his work. He often repeated the same image several times, but in different colours.

The children looked at 2 of his paintings-
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Campbell's_Soup_Cans
and marmite. He apparently ate the same soup every lunch for 20 years.

We asked the children the following:-

What food would you eat every day for 20 years? How would you paint this? Would you repeat the image as Warhol did?

We challenge you to create your own popular image of a favourite item and bring it in to school for us to display.



INSET DAYS 2016 – 2017 3RD JANUARY 2017, 15TH MAY 2017

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Christmas Fayre – Saturday 3rd December 2016

We hope you are all looking forward to joining us for our Christmas Fayre tomorrow from 2-5pm at our Hilperton site.

We would like to say a huge thank you for all the donations last Friday; we had a truly fantastic response from you all and the prizes for the Fayre are looking amazing! Raffle tickets are still available.

We'll be holding a silent auction for an incredible Dyson V8 Absolute!

Now for the practical bit:

- **Please be reminded that this is an unsupervised event. Children must be accompanied by parents/carers and stay with them at all times.**
- **Please note that due to space limitations, pushchairs and prams will not be allowed into the school building.**

Thank you again for your continued support, without your help these events cannot happen.

The Friends of The Mead

Notice to all parents, carers, staff and visitors

Please show our children that you value The Mead and model your pride and respect for their environment by not parking on the grass when you come to the school.

Thank you for your consideration.

The Mead Local Governing Body Update

Our Chair of Governors, Tracey Wright decided to step down from the role in September. Tracey originally started as a governor at Wingfield and has been Chair of The Mead Governing Body for the last few years. We would like to thank Tracey for all of her dedication, hard work and time invested in the school. Tracey has stepped down from The Mead Governing Body but continues to serve as a Director for the Trust.

At our Governors Day in November, Mel Jacob was appointed as our new Chair of Governors. Mel has previously been Chair of Governors on The Mead Governing Body but has focussed her wealth of experience as Chair of Governors at Castle Mead for the last few years. We are thankful to Mel for returning to this role to support the needs of the school. Mel is also Chair of Directors for The Mead Academy Trust.

We would also like to thank Lyn Eden, who continues to support the school in the valuable role of Vice-Chair of the governing body.

Music Charges

We are pleased to advise that we have reviewed the overall cost of our peripatetic music tuition and can confirm that with effect from January the cost of a 15 minute individual lesson / 30 minute paired lesson will be reduced to £7.50. Group lessons will be £3.75. We will need to review this for the Summer Term to ensure this is an affordable position, but for the Spring Term this will be the cost.

Kerry Thain, School Business Manager



Friday 16th December - Non School Uniform Day (with a Christmas theme if you wish)

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School Term And Holiday Dates 2018/19 - Consultation

Wiltshire Council have asked for views on proposed school term and holiday dates in Wiltshire for 2018/19, which are below for your comments.

Option 1: Shows a proposed calendar with a seven day October break, with term 6 ending on Thursday the 25th July.

Option 2: Shows a proposed calendar with a five day break in October, with term 6 ending on Tuesday the 23rd July. This is the option favoured by several of our neighbouring authorities.

Please can I take this opportunity to encourage everyone to forward their comments by whatever means is convenient for you; by posting any comments/observations to Nicola McCann at the address below, or by e-mail to directorcdce@wiltshire.gov.uk.

School Term Dates 2018/19 Consultation,
Children's Services,
County Hall,
Bythesea Road,
Trowbridge,
BA14 8JB

The deadline for responses is Friday 03 February 2017.

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2018-19
OPTION 1



| | August/September | October | November |
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| Monday | 3 10 17 24 | 1 8 15 22 29 | 5 12 19 26 |
| Tuesday | 4 11 18 25 | 2 9 16 23 30 | 6 13 20 27 |
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| Bank and Public Holidays 2018/2019 | | |
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| Christmas Day Holiday | 25th December 2018 | Term 1 38 |
| Boxing Day Holiday | 26th December 2018 | Term 2 35 |
| New Years Holiday | 1st January 2019 | Term 3 30 |
| Good Friday | 19th April 2019 | Term 4 30 |
| Easter Monday | 22nd April 2019 | Term 5 23 |
| May Day Holiday | 6th May 2019 | Term 6 39 |
| Spring Bank Holiday | 27th May 2019 | TOTAL 195 |
| Summer Bank Holiday | 26th August 2019 | |

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2018-2019
OPTION 2



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PE Kit

Although the weather has turned cold the children will still be having PE lessons outside. Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school including a jumper and jogging bottoms for the cold weather.



Thank you.

Electronic Homework

If you would like to send your child's homework electronically we are happy to receive this in the office and forward on to the class teacher. However, we can only forward homework by if it does not contain your child's full name. Please write your child's initials and class name. The correct email address to send homework to is office@themed.wilts.sch.uk

Have you booked your Christmas Lunch yet?



If you would like to book a Christmas lunch please come to the office and collect a Term 2 menu as it is incorporated within the normal school meal booking form.

Bad weather and snow



Now that the winter months are upon us with the possibility of extreme weather we would like to draw your attention to a useful link from the local authority of roads that are treated on a precautionary basis for your information –

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/gritting/grittingroutesmap.htm>

At school, the safety of our pupils, staff and parents is paramount to us and as such we would like to inform you of the safe route in and around school, should such conditions arise. We will ensure there is a path from the school pedestrian gates all the way through the school playground, round to Year 1. We do ask that in icy/snowy conditions, children use the designated path provided as the rest of the playground will be unsuitable to walk on. We are not in a position to grit the main car park as this belongs to the council. However, in adverse conditions the road leading to the school and the car park will not be a priority and therefore we ask for everyone to take extra caution when travelling to school.

In the event of school closure we will update our website accordingly, inform local radio stations and send a text via Parentmail X. Please ensure that you have updated your contact details on Parentmail X.



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FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

| Date | Event |
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| 5 th December 2016 | Cricket to @Bristol |
| 8 th December 2016 | Foxes to @Bristol |
| W/E 9 th December 2016 | Clubs finish this week |
| 15 th December 2016 | Christmas Lunch for both sites |
| 16 th December 2016 | Non School Uniform Day (with a Christmas theme if you wish) School breaks up at 3.15pm |
| 3 rd January 2017 | INSET DAY |
| 4 th January 2017 | Term 3 starts |
| W/C 16 th January 2017 | Clubs will start on both sites |
| 24 th January 2017 | Young Voices, Birmingham |
| 27 th – 31 st March 2017 | Parent Conversation Week |
| 6 th April 2017 | Whole School Performance |
| W/E 7 th April 2017 | Clubs finish this week |
| 25 th – 28 th April | Life Bus on site |
| 8 th May 2017 | Y6 SATs Week |
| 13 th May 2017 | Arts Community Day |
| 15 th May 2017 | INSET DAY |
| 5 th - 9 th June 2017 | Y6 to Plas Pencelli |
| 5 th – 7 th & 7 th – 9 th June 2017 | Y4 to Oxenwood |
| 21 st June 2017 | Class photos - Wingfield |
| 3 rd – 5 th July 2017 | Y5 to Kilve Court Residential |
| 4 th July 2017 | Y6 Transition Day at John of Gaunt and Clarendon |
| W/E 7 th July 2017 | Clubs finish this week |
| 10 th July 2017 | Family Picnic 5pm – 6.45pm |
| 17 th July 2017 | Y3 to Braeside |

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| 19 th July 2017 | Transition Day – New Classes |
| 21 st July 2017 | Leavers Assembly |

For the latest secondary school newsletters please use the links below:-

Clarendon Newsletters <http://www.clarendonacademy.com/parents/newsletters>
John of Gaunt <http://johnofgauntschool.org/information/newsletters-and-notice/>

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