



The Mead Community Primary School



Monday 12th December 2022

Term 2, Week 7

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Monday 12 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.30pm – Swimming for selected children
Tuesday 13 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.00am – Year 3 Christmas Performance – Hilperton Site 6.00pm - Years 4, 5 & 6 – Singing around the Christmas tree
Wednesday 14 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.55am – Community Assembly – Christmas with Kingfisher Church – parents invited Y6 Bikeability – Hilperton Site
Thursday 15 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y6 Bikeability – Hilperton Site
Friday 16 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Lunch Day 8.30am – Fitness Friday on the playground 2.20pm Star of the Week Assembly by invitation on Zoom 3.15pm – School breaks up for the Christmas Holidays at the usual time of 3.15pm

Dear Mead Families,

It has really felt like a community school once again this week, perhaps the most we have had that feeling for three years due to Covid. Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 Christmas performances have been absolutely beautiful and thank you to everyone for being such appreciative audiences. The kind words to the team mean such a lot. We also had the Christmas Bazaar on Thursday evening – thank you to the Friends of The Mead for pulling this together and the turnout was stunning; far more than expected and we'll probably need to make it a bigger event next year 😊 One week to go, with Years 3 to 6 having performances on Tuesday.

In school, the staff are getting into the Christmas spirit with a giant game of Cluedo – we all have a victim, location and weapon. I was taken out at the Christmas Fair by Mrs East, in the Entrance Lobby, bopped on the head with a cushion. IT's keeping everyone smiling as we navigate all of these awful sickness bugs that are around for pupils and staff alike. Hopefully we can all be rid of them for Christmas! Stay safe and wrap up warm in this reassuring cold snap. Here's to a lovely Christmas holiday when it arrives.

Best regards
Mark Stenton
Headteacher



INSET DAYS

3rd January 2023 & 5th June 2023

<https://www.themeadtrust.org/news-and-dates/term-dates/>

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Family Gardening Club

Family gardening club is for parents and children to come and grow their own veg and learn about gardening together. Tools and seeds are provided although it is recommended you wear wellies and provide your own gardening gloves. Your family will have their own small plot and you will be supported to grow veg in your own plot. You will take home the veg you have grown.

Families who join will need to commit to attend regularly for the growing season - February until October 2023. Club takes place on a Saturday or Sunday morning at 10am - sessions vary between every three weeks and weekly depending on time of year. You do not need to attend every session but you do need to attend the majority of sessions.

If you are interested please email melaniejacob@blueyonder.co.uk for more information. Places will be awarded on first come first served basis.

TROWBRIDGE STOREHOUSE FOOD BANK

Following our previous success, we have once again chosen to support the Trowbridge Storehouse Food Bank at Christmas time.

Storehouse Foodbank is a project that aims to support families, couples and individuals in short term need of food and toiletries. Based in Trowbridge, this service began in 2006 in response to a growing need within our community.

We have listed the items below they have particularly requested, but would appreciate any non-perishables or toiletries that you feel would benefit the families.

Tins	Packets	Toiletries
Baked Beans	Pasta	Toothbrush
Spaghetti	Macaroni	Toothpaste
Potatoes	Rice	Wipes
Peas	Soya Mince	Deodorant
Carrots	Burger Mix	Sanitary Towels
Tomatoes	Sausage Mix	Shampoo
Sweetcorn	Sugar	Soap
Stew	Cereal	Toilet Rolls
Pies	Cereal Bars	Household Cloths
Curry	Biscuits	Bacterial Cleaning Fluid
Soup	Angel Delight	Washing Up Liquid
Tuna	Custard	
Burgers	Half Baked Bread	
Meatballs	Instant Pasta Bake	
Hotdogs	Pot Noodles	
Macaroni Cheese	Tea	
Spam	Coffee	
Fruit	Squash	
Rice Pudding	Long Life Milk	
	Cuppa Soup	
	Pasta Snacks	

Please feel free to bring in donations at any time – there will be a trolley outside the office for collection of items until the office closes on Wednesday 14th December 2022. These items will be delivered to the Storehouse on Thursday 15th December.

Thank you for your support with this worthwhile cause.



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Dates for your Diary	These dates are all subject to change
	Parents are invited to all Community Assemblies
Tuesday 3 rd January 2023	INSET Day
Sunday 15 th January	Deadline for September 2023 Primary School Applications
Wednesday 25 th January	Young Voices Event in Birmingham
Wednesday 1 st February	8.50am – Hilperton Site Community Assembly
9 th & 10 th February	Start of the Day Sharing with Parents (both sites)
Wednesday 22 nd February	Year 6 Bikeability – selected children on the Hilperton Site
Thursday 23 rd February	Year 6 Bikeability – selected children on the Hilperton Site
Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day
Friday 3 rd March	Woodpeckers, Wrens and Swans to Farleigh Hungerford Castle
6 th – 10 th March	Careers Week
Wednesday 15 th March	Trowbridge Youth Parliament
Friday 17 th March	Red Nose Day
Tuesday 21 st March	World Poetry Day
Wednesday 22 nd March	8.50am – Hilperton Site Community Assembly
Monday 24 th – 28 th April	Parent Conversation Week
Friday 28 th April	Young Blooms visiting Woodpeckers, Kestrels and Swans
Thursday 4 th May	Bees to Warleigh Lodge Farm
Friday 5 th May	Butterflies and Cygnets to Warleigh Lodge Farm
Monday 8 th – 12 th May	Y6 SATs Week
Wednesday 17 th May	8.50am – Hilperton Site Community Assembly
Wednesday 17 th May	Trowbridge Youth Parliament
Thursday 18 th May	Kestrels, Puffins and Fireflies to The Roman Baths
Wednesday 24 th May	Whole School Performance – Wiltshire Music Centre
Thursday 25 th May	Squirrels and Otters to Bristol Buddhist Centre
Thursday 25 th & 26 th May	Start of the Day Sharing with Parents (both sites)
Monday 5 th June	INSET Day
Friday 9 th June	Woodpeckers, Kestrels and Swans to Hengistbury Head Beach
Tuesday 20 th June	Y5 to Cotswold Water Park
Tuesday 27 th June	Hilperton Site Sports Day
Thursday 29 th June	Hilperton Site Fall Back Sports Day
Friday 30 th June	Wingfield Site Sports Day
Friday 30 th June	School Disco
Monday 3 rd July	Wingfield Site Fall Back Sports Day
Monday 10 th July	Transition Day
Wednesday 12 th July	8.50am – Hilperton Site Community Assembly
Friday 14 th July	Y3 to Thoulstone Park – long day – see letter dated 01.12.2022 (and on Arbor)
Tuesday 18 th – 21 st July	Year 6 to Kilve Court – 3 night residential
Thursday 20 th – 21 st July	Year 4 to Braeside – 1 night residential – see letter dated 01.12.2022 (and on Arbor)
Tuesday 25 th July	9.00am - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

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For the attention of all parents

Will your child be four years old before September 2023?

You must apply for a primary school place

Apply online at **wiltshire.gov.uk** or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is

12 midnight, 15 January 2023

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

Contact customer services on **01225 713010**

For more information or to request our guide to finding a primary school place in Wiltshire.

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CHRISTMAS 2022 ON THE HILPERTON SITE

The Orchard Nursery

Tuesday 6th December at 9.00am to parents. There will be no dress rehearsal.

Bees and Butterflies

Friday 9th December at 9.00am to parents and pre-school siblings with a dress rehearsal on Thursday 8th December at 2.00pm to KS1 and siblings in school.

Year 1 Moles and Robins

Wednesday 7th December at 9.00am with a dress rehearsal on Tuesday 6th December at 2.00pm to which parents are welcome to bring pre-school siblings.

No pre-school siblings to the main performance on Wednesday 7th December.

FS and Year 2 to attend dress rehearsal and school age siblings of Year 1.

Year 2 Wrens and Woodpeckers

Thursday 8th December at 9.00am with a dress rehearsal on Wednesday 7th December at 2.00pm to which parents are welcome to bring pre-school siblings.

No pre-school siblings to the main performance on Thursday 8th December.

FS and Year 1 to attend dress rehearsal and school age siblings of Year 2.

Year 3 Kestrels and Puffins

Tuesday 13th December at 9.00am with a dress rehearsal on Monday 12th December at 2.00pm to which parents are welcome to bring pre-school siblings.

No pre-school siblings to the main performance on Tuesday 13th December.

Years 4, 5 and 6 to attend dress rehearsal and school age siblings of Year 3.

Years 4, 5 & 6

Tuesday 13th December at 6.00pm with a dress rehearsal on Tuesday 13th December at 2.00pm – 'Singing round the Christmas Tree' (dress rehearsal is for school children only).

The whole family are welcome to join us for an evening of Christmas Cheer with songs and poetry, performed by Years 4, 5 and 6.