



The Mead Community Primary School



Monday 20th February 2023

Term 4, Week 1

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Monday 20 th February	
Tuesday 21 st February	
Wednesday 22 nd February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• World Thinking Day – see overleaf• YR Wonder Dome Planetarium
Thursday 23 rd February	
Friday 24 th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8.35am – Fitness Friday on the playground• 8:45am - Book Club in the Hall• 2.20pm - Star of the Week Assembly by invitation on Zoom

Dear Mead families,

As Term 3 ends, we reach the mid-way point of the school year. This is always a good time to reflect on where we are at, and one headline to share is our excellent attendance data. The school is significantly above national average for attendance in the first half of this year – really strong in the autumn, hit by lots of bugs and viruses before Christmas then recovering again this term. I share this because good attendance always tells us that the essential triangle – school, pupils and parents – is working so well. Thank you.

It has been a very productive Term 3 and I am proud of the progress and attainment being made. Yesterday, Mrs Seviour reported to our governance team – the Academy Advisory Group (AAG) – about all aspects of inclusion and support for pupils, and it was deeply reassuring to look at the forensic detail around our children, held so well by Mrs Seviour and reflective of excellent home-school communication. From detailed statutory plans to light touch support, it is always essential that we see every child as an individual in our team and provide the support they need.

Each week we lead on FREDICE values in assembly; these are the Olympic and Paralympic values of Friendship, Respect, Equality (equity), Determination, Inspiration, Courage and Excellence. Next term we are going to build on this term's focus of 'respect', 'friendship' and 'equality', by looking at 'determination', 'courage' and 'excellence' in all that we do. We hope that the children talk excitedly with you about this learning.

Finally, reports are now being written for distribution later next month. This will be followed by Parent Conversations Week from 24th April. It will be lovely to share your child's progress with you.

Best regards,
Mark Stenton,
Headteacher

INSET DAYS
5th June 2023

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World Book Day

With industrial action in schools declared for 2nd March, we have taken the quick decision to move our **World Book Day** celebration to the **Wednesday, 1st March** (not 3rd March is previously considered).

Bikes and Scooters

Please be reminded to take bikes and scooters home at the end of each school day and particularly at weekends. The school does not accept any responsibility for the loss or theft of these possessions.

World Thinking Day

Wednesday 22nd February 2023 is World Thinking Day and as school we will be supporting this. It is a chance for all members who are part of the Guiding and Scouting community to wear their uniform with pride and think about the wider family around the world. If your child is part of Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs or Scouts, they will be able to wear their scouting uniform to school on 22nd February 2023 if they would like to.

A yellow poster with a red border for 'The Friends of the Mead Readathon'. It features a cartoon girl sitting and reading a book next to a tall stack of colorful books. The text on the poster includes the title, dates, a description of the event, and a prize draw notice.

The Friends of the Mead
Readathon
27th February - 3rd March

We are running a sponsored readathon across both sites to raise money to spruce up our libraries

WIN a Book Token - all returned sponsor forms will be entered into a prize draw

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Dates for your Diary	These dates are all subject to change Parents are invited to all Community Assemblies
Wednesday 22 nd February	YR Wonder Dome Planetarium
Friday 24 th February	Book Club – In the hall from 8:45am
Wednesday 1 st March	World Book Day celebration (not 3rd March as previously considered)
Thursday 2 nd March	Potential Industrial Action
Friday 3 rd March	Woodpeckers, Wrens and Swans to Farleigh Hungerford Castle
Tuesday 7 th March	Foxes and Ospreys to Bristol Hindu Temple
6 th – 10 th March	Careers Week
Tuesday 14 th March	Trowbridge Youth Parliament – The Mead School hosting (note change of date)
Wednesday 15 th March	Potential Industrial Action
Thursday 16 th March	Potential Industrial Action
Friday 17 th March	Red Nose Day
Tuesday 21 st March	World Poetry Day
Monday 24 th – 28 th April	Parent Conversation Week
Friday 28 th April	Young Blooms visiting Woodpeckers, Kestrels and Swans
Friday 5 th May	Butterflies and Cygnets to Warleigh Lodge Farm
Monday 8 th – 12 th May	Y6 SATs Week
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
Friday 26 th May	Start of the Day Sharing with Parents
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
Monday 26 th June	Y5 Curriculum Day at Clarendon Academy
Friday 30 th June	Wingfield Site Sports Day
Friday 30 th June	School Disco
Monday 3 rd July	Wingfield Site Fall Back Sports Day
Wednesday 5 th July	Y5 Curriculum Day at John of Gaunt School
Monday 10 th July	Transition Day
Friday 14 th July	Y3 to Thoulstone Park – long day
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
Tuesday 25 th July	9.00am - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

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MONTHLY EVENTS

ORGANISED OR SUPPORT BY THE FRIENDS OF THE MEAD



2022 - 2023

February

3rd & 10th – Costume Donations

20th – 24th – World Book Day Costume Sales

27th – 3rd March – Read-A-Thon

March

27th Feb – 3rd – Read-A-Thon

1st – Cake Sale after school

13th – Bags 2 School collection

TBC – Year 6 Leavers

Hoodies Order

April

1st – 16th – Easter Trail

17th – 26th May – Penny Wars

May

17th April – 26th – Penny Wars

June

21st – Bags 2 School Collection

27th (29th Fallback) – Sports Day at Hilperton

30th – School Disco

30th – Sports day at Wingfield

TBC – Summer Fair at Wingfield

July

3rd – Fallback Sports Day at Wingfield

September

30th – Autumn Fair at Hilperton

TBC – Children designing Christmas cards (during school time)

More information will be provided prior to each event.

If you have any questions or would like to know more about joining the Friends of the Mead

please contact us at friends@themead.wilts.sch.uk