

The Mead Community Primary School

What's on this Week – Monday 5th June 2017



Wingfield Site, Church Lane, Wingfield, Trowbridge BA14 9LW

Term 6 Week 1

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

Monday 5 th June 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Y6 to Plas Pencelli• Y4 Falcons to Oxenwood
Tuesday 6 th June 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Berkeley Ensemble performance to all years
Wednesday 7 th June 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No Community Assembly
Thursday 8 th June 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hearing test for Reception children
Friday 9 th June 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9am – Singing Assembly – Mrs Jolley's singers to perform.• Y6 return from Plas Pencelli
Saturday 10 th June 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2.30- 5.00pm – Wingfield Church Fete held at The Poplars

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the last year there has been an increase in the number of terror attacks around the world and the threat of further attacks is high in The UK. At The Mead, we take our duty of care to our children very seriously and this means that we ensure children have an age-appropriate understanding of events that occur and are given the opportunity to talk in safety about issues that they might be worried about. Our Key stage two children regularly use the Newsround website to learn about a wide range of things that happen around the world and discuss these in class. We are committed to supporting children to share their thoughts in an appropriate way and address any misconceptions about events that take place.

Following the terror attack this week in Manchester, school staff provided KS2 children with an opportunity to talk through their understanding of what had happened. This was offered through circle time and class discussions. Our older children had the opportunity to watch Newsround and had time to talk about it afterwards. They were able to ask questions and share their thoughts either in a group or individually with a member of staff. By facilitating these discussions in class, children were supported to talk in a secure environment rather than sharing stories or speculating about what may or may not have happened on the playground.

With any child who raises questions or wishes to discuss events and the impact they might have, we talk to them honestly; offering simple facts and focusing children's attention on the work that people have done to help, care for and support others who have been harmed. Our staff always remain calm and impartial when discussing the children's differing thoughts and feelings. Staff never share their own personal feelings or opinions, always taking their lead from the children's prior knowledge or questions. We reiterate to the children that events like this are reported on the news because they are very rare and we talk to them about the ways adults in their lives keep them safe at home, at school and when they are out and about.

If you need any advice about how to manage any discussions about this kind of event with your children at home please use the following links:

Advice for children:

- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/13865002>
- <https://live.firstnews.co.uk/news/try-not-to-worry-about-the-news/>

Advice for parents and carers:

- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/news-opinion/supporting-children-worried-about-terrorism/>
- <https://www.winstonswish.org.uk/responding-children-young-people-affected-media-coverage-incident-manchester/>
- <http://davidtrickey.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/aftertheevent280410.pdf>
- <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/women/life/manchester-arena-attack-explain-horror-children/>

I hope that you all have a wonderful holiday and we look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Monday 5th June.

Miss Emma Holton
Head of School

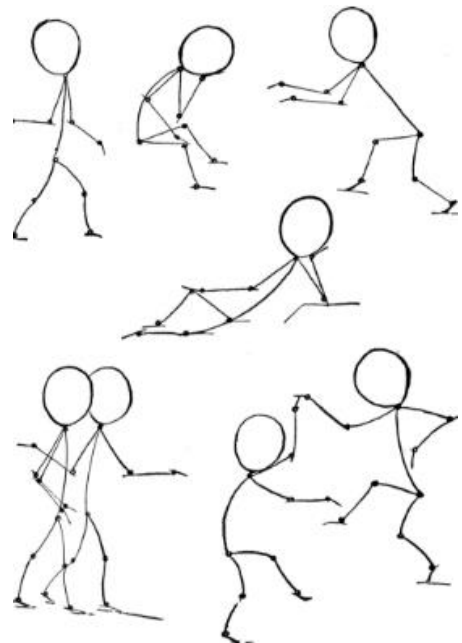
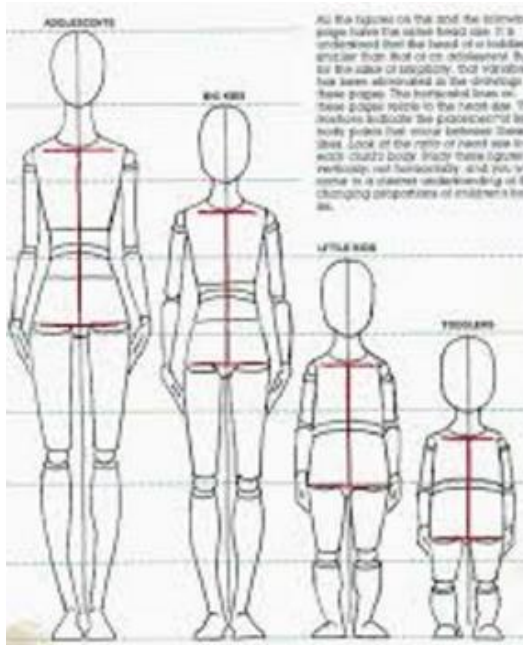
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Art Start Of The Day

This week during art STOD we have been improving our drawing skills and tackling life drawing. Figures are really hard to draw and the more you practise, the better you will become at drawing them. Remember to draw only what you can see and to spend time looking before drawing your figure. Try drawing as a stick person first and then add detail with clothes and body shape. Draw lightly and go over only the lines that you like! Why not have a go and complete some life drawings during the holidays - we would love to see your efforts.





Art Studio update

You may remember that we were awarded a grant from The Theatre Royal earlier in the year from their Creative Fund. Together with a generous donation from The Friends of The Mead, we have been able to fund and design our own Art Studio. Construction is due to start on this project over half term. The Studio will be large enough for group work and will provide a much needed additional space for learning on The Hilperton Site. Here is what our new studio will look like:



Our next project is to realise a similar standalone building at The Wingfield Site. If you would be interested in joining a working party to help shape this provision, we are having another meeting on Thursday 15th June, time to be confirmed. You may also email us at feedback@themead.wilts.sch.uk. Thank you for your continuing support.

Nursery at Hillperton

As you will see the nursery construction is moving at quite a pace! Please contact the school office if you are interested in a space when the nursery opens in September 2017. We currently have sessions available on most days but spaces are filling fast! If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to Mrs Bailey in the office.



INSET DAYS

2017 – 2018

1ST & 4TH
SEPTEMBER 2017,
30TH OCTOBER
2017,

4TH JANUARY 2018,
21ST MAY 2018



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

FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
Monday 5 th June 2017	First day of Term 6
5 th - 9 th June 2017	Y6 to Plas Pencelli
5 th – 7 th & 7 th – 9 th June 2017	Y4 to Oxenwood (Monday – Wednesday – Falcons Yr4)
10 th June 2017	2.30pm – 5.00pm – Wingfield Church Fete (Venue: The Poplar's pub)
12 th June 2017	Class photographs – Retake
23 rd June 2017	Friends Non Uniform Day for Summer Fair – both sites
23 rd June 2017	School Disco – on the Hilperton site
28 th June 2017	SPORTS DAY – WINGFIELD
1 st July 2017	Summer Fair at The Mead (Hilperton site)
3 rd – 5 th July 2017	Y5 to Kilve Court Residential
4 th July 2017	Y6 Transition Day at John of Gaunt and Clarendon
5 th July 2017	Community Assembly – Yr6 Plas Celebration
6 th July 2017	Y6 to the Good Citizen Event at Potterne
7 th July 2017	SPORTS DAY FALL BACK - WINGFIELD
W/E 7 th July 2017	Clubs finish this week
10 th July 2017	Transition Morning for the children. Family Picnic 5pm – 6.45pm
12 th July 2017	Community Assembly – Oxenwood Celebration
17 th July 2017	Y3 to Braeside
18 th July 2017	Life Bus at Wingfield
19 th July 2017	Transition Day – New Classes
21 st July 2017	Leavers Assembly – St Mary's Church School Year Ends

Our school latest news: www.themead.wilts.sch.uk/news-dates/latest-news
Our Twitter feed: [@TweetTheMead](https://twitter.com/TweetTheMead)

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WESTWOOD 2017
"FAMILY FILMS"
SCARECROW TRAIL
MAY HALF TERM WEEK
SAT 27 MAY - SUN 4 JUN

Play Park:
Bring a picnic

Bank Holiday
weekend: pop-up
refreshments
available

Trail maps £3 from
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