

Term 3, Week 4

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Monday 23 rd January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.30pm – Swimming for selected children • Science Workshop for selected children – Clarendon Academy
Tuesday 24 th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Wednesday 25 th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Voices in Genting Arena, Birmingham
Thursday 26 th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geologist visiting Fireflies
Friday 27 st January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.30am – Fitness Friday on the playground • 2.20pm Star of the Week Assembly by invitation on Zoom

Dear Mead Families,

How wonderful it was to see so many children and grown-ups laughing and enjoying our Fitness Friday session, it really is a great way to start the day and be ready for another exciting day of learning.

This week in Fireflies we have begun our Science learning all about rocks, soils and fossils. The children observed different rocks and grouped them based on their appearance. We then had lots of fun testing the rocks to discover if they were porous (absorb water) or not. We have also had a wonderful time in Art creating our very own colour wheels out of objects we could find within our environment.

Josh – “This week I have enjoyed learning about the Ring of Fire, where there is over 450 volcanoes.”



INSET DAYS
5th June 2023

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THE FRIENDS OF THE MEAD CHRISTMAS PRESENT AMNESTY

**WE WOULD LOVE ALL OF YOUR UNWANTED
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!**

Having a clear out after the Christmas festivities?
Did you receive two of the same Christmas gift?
Something that wasn't to your taste?

**Would you be willing to donate it to the
Friends of the Mead?**

We are always looking for items for tombola,
raffles and for our school fetes to help us
raise money for the Friends of the Mead.

**Throughout the month of January, you can
donate these items to the office at both
Wingfield and Hilperton. Thank you!**





Book Club's Back!

We are excited to announce that Book Club is back at Wingfield.

When: Friday 27th January 2023

Time: Cygnets & Swans from 8.35am (parents welcome to help with selection)
Fireflies & Hedgehogs after registration

Where: The Wingfield School Hall

How much do I need to spend to get involved?

Our books range from 20p - £1, so we are hoping there will be something available for everyone who wants to join our book club.

What is the condition of the books?

To keep book club affordable for all, we source our books mainly through donation but sometimes through purchasing second-hand. We always try and make sure our books are in a good readable condition to offer best value for money.

20p Books - Books may have been read a couple of times, so are showing signs of use. They may also just be a really short story or a picture book.

50p Books - Story books may have the odd markings and will be slightly longer reads

£1 Books - Large chapter books or text books and new unread books

How does book club work?

1. We invite your child to come to school with an envelope containing their money for book club. Please make sure their name and the amount of money they have for book club is clearly labelled on the outside.
2. This money is then received by book club for either a one off purchase or added to their account for future book clubs.
Please note: unfortunately we are unable to give change to the children, as we want to make sure it isn't lost in the playground or swapped with friends against your wishes.
3. Your child is then able to purchase books with the guidance of a teacher if needed, up to the value on their account
4. If you would like a balance update please don't hesitate to contact Charlene Bartlett who will be happy to assist

We are excited to see you there, but if you have any questions in the meantime please feel free to ask at the gate or catch Charlene (Austin's Mummy) for a chat.



Internet Safety Week 6th – 10th February 2023

Internet Safety is one of the most important issues for parents and carers. Educating children at an age appropriate level about online safety and safe use of technological devices is an OFSTED priority for all schools - and rightly so.

On Monday 30th January we are fortunate to have the opportunity of Richard Pomfrett working with our children all day. Richard provides expert primary age input on internet safety and comes highly recommended from other Wiltshire primary schools where he has presented to children. Our PSHE leads have been in communication with him and have planned a really thorough and exciting day for Years 1 to 6. This will provide an amazing introduction to both National Internet Safety Week for Schools and Children's Mental Health Week, which both follow on Monday 6th February.

The timetable is as follows:

09.00 - 10.30 - Y3 - 4 90mins '**Building a Digital Toolkit**' Giving young people the tools to use throughout their online lives.

11.00 - 12.00 - Y1 - 2 60mins '**Becoming a Digital Hero**' Simple steps to stay safer and happy online.

13.00 - 15.00 - Y5 - 6 120mins '**Taking control of my Digital Life**' Empowering young people to take control and make the correct decisions online.

The sessions will require the main hall and classrooms at Hilperton to accommodate all children, and we will be organising coach transfer to and from Wingfield site throughout the day in accordance with this timetable (**precise arrangements on the coach timetable to follow at start of next week for Y1 to 6 Wingfield children**).

There is a cost to the school for this event, but we hope you agree it is very important. The cost per child when averaged out across the site will be £1.50 please. This will be added to your Arbor account in due course.

We will also be providing information for parents and carers to follow up on this essential learning for all of us to ensure we keep our children safe online.

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.



The Mead Community Primary School

Monday 23th January 2023



Dates for your Diary	<u>These dates are all subject to change</u>
Monday 25 th January	Science Workshop for selected children – Clarendon Academy
Wednesday 25 th January	Young Voices Event in Birmingham
Friday 27 th January	Book Club
Wednesday 1 st February	Trowbridge Youth Parliament – Staverton School hosting
Thursday 9 th February	West Wilts Dance Festival – selected children
Friday 10 th February	Start of the Day Sharing with Parents
Wednesday 22 nd February	World Thinking Day for the Guiding and Scouting community
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 – The Mead School (Hilperton) hosting
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 (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
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
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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