



What's on this Week – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019

**Hilperton Site** - Hackett Place, Hilperton, Trowbridge BA14 7GN

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

**CITIZENSHIP YEAR – WEEKLY QUOTE**

“To enjoy the glow of good health, you must exercise.” Gene Tunney

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 6 Bikeability – children aware</li> </ul>
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closing date for 2019 Primary School Places</li> </ul>
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 6 Bikeability – children aware</li> <li>• Swimming - selected children</li> <li>• 2:45pm Community Assembly – Year 1</li> </ul>
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 6 Bikeability – children aware</li> <li>• 9.00am – 10.30am – Family FUNs Workshop – by invitation</li> <li>• 2.45pm – Flute Assembly with Catherine Hurley</li> <li>• 3.15pm – 4.00pm – Final Young Voices Club</li> </ul>
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	

\*\*\*\*\*Term 3 Clubs start this week\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you have all had a happy and restful holiday.

Did you know you can find curriculum information for each class and blog posts on our website? Please follow the links below for the relevant curriculum information for Term 3 and photographs of previous learning.

**Curriculum Information:**

Nursery: <https://themead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/nursery-ladybirds/>

Reception: <https://themead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/receptionfs2-butterflies-bees/>

Year 1: <https://themead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year1-ducklings-and-moles/>

Year 2: <https://themead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year2-foxes-and-robins/>

Year 3: <https://themead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year3-ravens-and-otters/>

Year 4: <https://themead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year-4-merlins-and-fireflies/>

Year 5: <https://themead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year-5-cricket-and-falcons/>

Year 6: <https://themead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year-6-skylarks-and-stoats/>

**Blog Posts:**

<https://themead.wilts.sch.uk/news-dates/class-news/>

Miss Emma Holton (Head of School)

**INSET DAYS: 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019, 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019**

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### Perry and Potter's Weekly Active Challenge

Have a go at this balance... Sit on the floor keeping your knees bent, then lift your hands and feet off the floor so you are balanced on your bottom! How long can you hold it for without losing your balance? For an extra challenge, reach out and pick up an object that has been placed beside you, in front and behind you. You could try with your eyes closed to make it even more tricky!

Mrs Alice Perry, P.E. Lead

### BSC/ASC

We are so pleased that many of you are taking advantage of using 'Child Care vouchers' or 'Tax Free Child Care' to pay for your BSC or ASC bookings. However, from 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019, we ask that if you are using either of these methods of payments, the funds need to be paid to the school **prior to any booking** (in the same way as we take cash at the window). I am sure you will appreciate that having numerous bookings made without monies being paid to the school is causing a significant amount of administration time in chasing payments.

### BSC/ASC and School Clubs

We are pleased to advise that all clubs notifications were sent out at the end of last term. Please could we therefore ask that if you are booking your child into ASC at any time and they also attend a club on the same night, you choose the correct option on the booking form. Once you have submitted your After School Care booking form for the week/term, any changes must be submitted in writing via a new booking form. We are not able to manually amend existing forms or process refunds without a new form being received.

### After School Care

Please be reminded that all children must be collected by an appropriate adult and signed out of the care provision. Children cannot be dismissed to walk to the gate or to walk home alone.

### School Term and Holiday Dates For 2020-2021 – Consultation

Wiltshire Council are presently consulting on the School Term and Holiday Dates for 2020-2021. You can view the two proposed options on the Wiltshire Council website, by clicking the link here [Terms and holidays | Wiltshire Council](#)

In essence;

**Option 1:** Shows a proposed calendar with a **five-day break in October, with term 6 ending on Wednesday 21st July**. This is the option favoured by neighbouring local authorities.

**Option 2:** Shows a proposed calendar with a **seven day October break, with term 6 ending on Friday 23rd July**.

You can let Wiltshire Council know your views by using any of the following methods:

**By email to:** [directorDCE@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:directorDCE@wiltshire.gov.uk)

**By letter to:** School Term Dates 2020/21 Consultation, Children's Services, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN

Please submit your views by **Friday 8 February 2019**.

SHEILA PEDLER, BUSINESS MANAGER

### Book Review



The Journey by Francesca Sanna

This beautifully-depicted book shows the story of a family fleeing their homeland. Although this specific story centres on the journey a mother and her children take, the author explains the story is actually a collection of stories about Refugees. What I loved most about this book was its ability to tell a powerful story in a child-friendly way - it would be perfect for anyone who enjoys picture books.

Lucy Imperato  
Senior Teacher and Year 6 Lead

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## Sports Updates

### P.E. kit reminder

If you have any spare PE kit that you would be happy to donate to the school, we are in need of the following:

- White t-shirts
- Navy shorts and tracksuit trousers
- Navy hoodies or jumpers
- Trainers or plimsolls (range of sizes)

### The Mead Running Club

Thursday's at 8am. It's a fun and energetic start to the day! As well as running, there is the fun running based activities. You need to come dressed in your sports clothes. The club is run by Dani Goodman, a parent at the school, and Mrs Perry and Mr Potter. Parents/carers are required to stay with their children during the club and will maintain responsibility for them. This includes for all medical needs including inhalers. We would love adults to join in too - you can run or just help out!

Mrs Alice Perry  
P.E. Lead

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

John of Gaunt

<http://johnofgauntschool.org/information/newsletters-and-notices/>

Clarendon Newsletters

<http://www.clarendonacademy.com/parents/newsletters>

## 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.



## Do you have friends or family looking for school places?

We currently have spaces across the school. Please contact the school office for further details.



Head Lice

REMEMBER  
ONCE A WEEK,  
TAKE A PEEK



### Future Dates

23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Community Assembly – Post Cards
23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Young Voices 2019 Event Genting Arena Birmingham
1 <sup>st</sup> February	School Disco – Y1 to Y6
6 <sup>th</sup> February	Trowbridge Youth Parliament at Clarendon Academy
6 <sup>th</sup> February	Community Assembly – Year 5
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 1 to The Arc Theatre
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Community Assembly – Community Celebration
27 <sup>th</sup> February	Community Assembly – Year 6
6 <sup>th</sup> March	Community Assembly – Gardening Club
7 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Night at Wingfield (World Book Day)
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Community Assembly – Comic Relief Red Nose Day
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Community Assembly – Year 4
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Trowbridge Youth Parliament at Clarendon Academy
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Spring Celebration at Wingfield
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Conversation Week
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Community Assembly – Community Celebration and Post Cards
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Pantastic all day rehearsal
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Pantastic – Spring Performance
24 <sup>th</sup> April	Community Assembly – St George's Day
6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday – School is closed
7 <sup>th</sup> May	Life Bus to visit Hilperton for the week
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Community Assembly – Community Day Preparation
13 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs Week
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Community Assembly – Year 3
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Citizenship Community Day
20 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed for Inset Day
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Community Assembly – Celebration
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Trowbridge Youth Parliament at Clarendon Academy
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 6 residential Plas Pencelli
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Community Assembly – Gardening Club
12 <sup>th</sup> June	Community Assembly – Sports Day Preparation
12 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photographs
14 <sup>th</sup> June	School Disco – Y1 to Y6
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Community Assembly – Summer Solstice
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Community Assembly – Year 6 Plas Celebration
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Non School Uniform Day for donations to the School Fair
1 <sup>st</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 Transition Day at Kingdown
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Community Assembly – Post Cards
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Trowbridge Youth Parliament at Clarendon Academy
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Community Assembly – Year 5
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 to Brokerswood – Long day
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Community Assembly – Sporting Personalities
24 <sup>th</sup> July	Community Assembly – Celebration
25 <sup>th</sup> July	School breaks up for the Summer

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The Friends of the Mead would like to welcome all Mead families back to school after what we hope was a wonderful Christmas break.

We are looking forward to holding some great events this year, some dates for you are below:

- **1st February School Disco @ Hilperton.** KS1 5.30-6.30pm & KS2 6.45-7.45pm  
If you can help at either disco, please use this link to sign up:  
[www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4eaaa923a3fb6-february](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4eaaa923a3fb6-february)
- **7th March World Book Night @ Wingfield.**
- **23rd March Spring Celebrations @ Wingfield.**
- **18th May Community Day @ Hilperton.**

For more information on any of these events, please check out our notice board located near the main gates to school.

We run a book club over both sites (Friday lunchtime @ Hilperton, and Thursday lunchtime @ Wingfield) where children can purchase books at low cost. If you would like to volunteer to help please contact The Friends via our Facebook page, email us at [thefriendsofthemed@outlook.com](mailto:thefriendsofthemed@outlook.com) or contact Nicola Gould (Hilperton) or Rebekah Searle (Wingfield).

We look forward to seeing you at these events and more!  
Thank you for your continued support,  
The Friends of the Mead

A colorful poster for a school disco. At the top is a large, multi-colored disco ball. Below it, the text reads 'The Friends of the Mead SCHOOL DISCO'. The date is 'Friday 1st February 2019' at the 'Hilperton Site'. It lists times for KS1 (5.30pm - 6.30pm) and KS2 (6.45pm - 7.45pm). It notes that tickets are £2 each, including a snack and drink, and that glitter tattoos and glow items are available for purchase at the KS2 disco. The phrase 'All welcome!' is prominently displayed. At the bottom, there are illustrations of four diverse children dancing joyfully. In the bottom left corner is the 'Friends of the Mead' logo, and in the bottom right corner is the 'Parentkind Member Association' logo.

**The Friends of the Mead**  
**SCHOOL DISCO**  
Friday 1st February 2019  
Hilperton Site  
KS1: Reception & Years 1 & 2: 5.30pm – 6.30pm  
KS2: Years 3, 4, 5 & 6: 6.45pm – 7.45pm  
Entry via Music Studio, please pay on the door.  
Tickets are £2 each which includes a snack & drink.  
Glitter tattoos & glow items are available to buy at  
KS2 disco.  
**All welcome!**

Friends of the Mead

Parentkind  
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# For the attention of all parents

**Will your child be four years old  
before September 2019?**

**You must apply for a  
primary school place**

**Apply online at [www.wiltshire.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk)**

Application forms for Wiltshire residents are available at  
all schools and County Hall

**The deadline for applications is  
Midnight 15 January 2019**

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

Ring customer services on **01225 713010**  
for more information or to request our booklet –  
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