

Friday 12th February 2021

Headteacher – Mr Mark Stenton

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As Term 3 comes to a close, can I thank you on behalf of all in the school for your amazing support with home learning and our provision of education during this lockdown. We know how difficult it has been, and the children both in school and at home have coped brilliantly and produced many wonderful examples of learning. Thank you.

We expect to hear next week the government's plans for moving out of lockdown. The latest information remains that a return to full school opening will be considered for 8th March. This means that, as it stands, the first two weeks of Term 4 will be the same as the current situation and then, hopefully, we will have all the children back in week three. We will let you know as soon as we have confirmation from the Department of Education.

This week we unveiled exciting plans for re-decorating and developing our music classroom into a performing arts studio; primarily for music lessons but also a learning base for drama and dance. The arts are at the heart of any great school curriculum, and we look forward to magical performances in the future. This summer term, we aim to perform a whole school musical that involves as many children as possible and which will be performed in the beautiful school grounds. And that show will be (drum roll) ... 'Alice in Wonderland'! Auditions will begin next term and the whole school preparations for this show will play a major part in bringing the school and its community back together again after such a strange and difficult year for everyone.



Enjoy the half term break ☺

Warm regards
Mark Stenton
Headteacher

INSET DAYS: 7TH JUNE 2021

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Keeping Up To Date

We want to make sure you are kept up-to-date about what is happening in our schools, especially at a time when you can't come in to school and see us in person. The Mead Trust – as well as our individual schools – has a range of social channels that we post to, as well as the emails and text messages that we send out. If you use any of these platforms, then please follow / like us! We will be sharing updates, but also love to feature news and achievements from our families, so make sure you tag us so that we can share your posts with our wider community.

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Reporting Covid-19 symptoms to the school during the school holidays

If you or anyone in your family is being tested or has received a positive Covid-19 test please inform the school as soon as possible by emailing covidreporting@themead.wilts.sch.uk

The school is required to report all cases to the Department for Education throughout the school holidays to aid with the Track and Trace system.

Please note that this email address will be monitored every day throughout the holidays.

Thank you for your assistance in helping us keep everyone safe.