

Dear Everyone,

Week 4 has whizzed by and our children have enjoyed another positive week of learning and exploration.

Reading is our Superpower

Our children in Puffins loved our first ever drop-in reading session with their parents and they loved sharing books form their new classroom. Our Puffin parents are invited back on Friday 7th October as soon as the children are registered for half an hour.



Macmillan Event

Thank you to all our families and children who supported the events today. It was lovely to see our community do so much for a worthy cause. Together we have raised over £300. The children loved being able to buy the leftover cakes! Thank you. Your kindness, as always, was much appreciated.





Parent Survey

Thank you all so much for taking the time to tell us in the Parent Survey the positive start this term that has been enjoyed and how we can further improve and do even better. 78 of our parents completed the survey -thank you. We constantly review and reflect on our practice.



Headlines and full report to follow.

100% (64% strongly agree) told us that their child is happy in school.

100% (64% strongly agree) told us their child feels safe in school

97% (49% strongly agree) told us our school makes sure all pupils are well behaved 3% disagreed

97% (53% strongly agreed) that our school informs parents about what their child will learn throughout the year 3% disagree

99% (45% strongly agree) that they know who to talk to if you have a query or concern.

The results that we have analysed so far are an improvement upon this time last year and we will do our upmost to ensure that we continue to do our best for every child every day.

As one parent wrote-

'Meadowdale is a very supportive school. They go above and beyond for me. I'm so thankful we found this school.' Year 5 Parent

Start times

We have listened to Parent Voice about our start times and the majority of our parents 77% thought it a good idea for children to go straight to class in the mornings. 1% did not agree and 22% thought possibly it would be a good idea.

Starting from next week, our children will be able to come into school from 8.30am until 8.40am. They will no longer be lining up in the cold.

Reception and Year 1 will use the reception green gate and Miss Dodds and Miss Thompson will be ready to welcome children there and watch them go into their classroom.

Year 2, 3, 5 and 6 will use the entrance that we have used when it has been pouring with rain. Straight through the yard, to the blue double doors where there will always be at least one of our Learning Support Assistants to guide children to their classrooms.

Year 4 will use the door that they have always used and will be greeted by Mrs Black and Mr Carney who will be in their classroom.

All children from Reception to Year 6 need to arrive from 8.30am -8.40am and will go straight to their classroom to get ready for the day of learning.

Class Attendance

The government expectation is 96% attendance for individual pupils and school. Attendance and punctuality really matter to your child's education - every day counts! When your child's attendance drops below 95% school will begin monitoring. Referrals to the local authority may also be made if there is no improvement seen.

Reception	Yr. 1	Yr. 2	Yr. 3	Yr. 4	Yr. 5	Yr. 6
90.4%	98.3%	96%	93.1%	95.1%	97.5%	98.5%

Dates for diary					
October					
Wednesday 5 th October	Pre-School Open Morning				
Thursday 6 th October	Italian Lunch				
Monday 10 th October	World Mental Health Day				
Friday 14 th October (Provisional)	Tempest Photographer				
Friday 21 st October	School closes for half term				
Monday 31 st October	Teacher Training				
November					
Tuesday 1 st November	Children return to school				
Wednesday 2 nd November	Parent Consultation Evening				
Friday 11 th November	Remembrance Service				
Sunday 13 th November	Remembrance Parade - Bedlington				
Tuesday 15 th November	Harvest Festival – Year 4 parents				
December					
Monday 5 th – Thursday 8 th December	Christmas Performances				
Thursday 8 th December	M&M Productions - Cinderella				
Wednesday 14 th December	Chris Bostock – story teller				
Thursday 15 th December	Christin <mark>gle –</mark> Years 5 & 6				
Friday 16 th December	Christmas Lunch				
Wednesday 21 st December	School closes for Christmas				

<u>Clubs</u>

Monday – Netball – Years 4,5, & 6 Tuesday – Choir – Years 3,4,5, & 6 Tuesday – Brilliant Bricks – Years 1 & 2 Thursday –Drama – Years 3,4,5 & 6 Thursday – Multi skills – Year 1 & 2 Friday – Wellbeing Walks – Year 3,4, 5 and 6. All clubs run from 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend. Take care

Mrs Allison