



Newsletter

16th June 2023

Dear Parent/Carers,

It has been lovely to be back at Meadowdale with pupils after a restful half term.

This week's PSHE assembly refreshed our safeguarding procedures in school and children learned how to keep themselves safe in school, at home and in the community as part of Child Safety Week.

Pupils have loved seeing the developments in school over the half term: new areas around school such as the KS1 Snug and a spacious learning corridor. In addition, we have had new graphics installed around the building and are awaiting the final instalments taking place this weekend. Keep an eye on our Class Dojo School Story for uploads.

As we approach the end of the academic year, we will begin planning for transition internally and as pupils move on to their secondary schools. Further information regarding next year's class teachers will be shared in due course, as will transition arrangements.

Thank you to those of you who have donated to our staff doing the Total Warrior Challenge – please click on the link below if you would like to donate:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/meadowdale-academy-1686046199561?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=one_page&utm_content=page/meadowdale-academy-1686046199561&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=52bac04612664e768ef97ebd3a8dbd8f

Finally, I'd like to say a huge well done to Year 4 who took the Multiplication Tables Check this week with Mr Carney. All pupils showed great effort and determination.

I hope all of our families have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

L. Coates

Miss Coates
Headteacher

Let's CELEBRATE

Golden Awards

Our Headteacher Golden Awards were presented today to the following children who have all impressed their class teacher and shone very brightly.

Nursery: Elena
Reception: Ayden & Amelia
Year 1: Jessie
Year 2: Ella H
Year 3: Brogue
Year 4: Jesse T
Year 5: Brooke
Year 6: Jenna

Well done to you all, we are very proud of you!

Important Messages

Adult on Gate:

We can no longer commit to having an adult on the gate at the end of the day due to staffing. Once children have been handed over to parents/carers, responsibility for pupils' care is with the adult who has collected them.

Start times

All children from Reception to Year 6 should arrive from **8.30am - 8.40am** and go straight to their classroom to get ready for the day of learning. We close the top gate at 8.45am when all children are then registered and ready to learn. All children will need to report to the school office if they are later than 8.45am parents will be notified that their child was late. Mr Grant opens the top gate at 8.30am and will lock it at 8.45am.

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Uniform Expectations

Please can we remind families that full school uniform should be worn to school (and appropriate PE kit on PE days). Pupils with hair longer than shoulder length must tie their hair back – this is for safety and hygiene. Pupils must only wear studded ear-rings – no other jewellery should be worn for school. Nail varnish and false nails are not permitted. Please see uniform list below.

Rising Threes and Pre-school children

Have the option to wear a blue sweatshirt/cardigan, white t-shirt and either grey/black trousers or skirt –**none** of the items of clothing should have the school badge on as we realise that children grow so quickly.

Indoor black shoes

Wellies or outdoor shoes that are kept in school for playtime

Warm, waterproof coat

See-through named water bottle kept in school and taken home on a weekend

Children do not require any other school equipment

Please can everything be labelled first and second name to ensure that items that are misplaced are returned to their owner.

From Reception to Year 4

Blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school badge

Blue polo shirt with or without badge

Grey/ black trousers or skirt

Grey pinafore

Blue and white gingham summer dress

Indoor black shoes

Wellies or outdoor shoes that are kept in school for playtime

Warm, waterproof coat

See-through named water bottle kept in school and taken home on a weekend

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P.E. Kit

Blue hoodie with or without Meadowdale school badge

White polo t-shirt or blue and white Meadowdale t-shirt

Blue logo or plain jogging bottoms or blue shorts

Trainers (optional for Reception)

Year 5 and Year 6

Blue shirt, Meadowdale tie and V-necked sweatshirt or cardigan and grey/black trousers or skirt

Indoor black shoes

Wellies or outdoor shoes that are kept in school for playtime

See-through named water bottle kept in school and taken home daily

Children do not require any other school equipment

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P.E. Kit

Blue Meadowdale hoodie

White polo t-shirt or blue and white Meadowdale t-shirt

Blue Meadowdale or plain jogging bottoms or blue shorts

Trainers

We have spoken with our uniform provider, Emblematic, and have arranged for the remainder of stock (with the old logo) to be sold. Once the stock is sold, the new logo will be on all newly produced uniform. For the upcoming academic year (September 2023-July 2024), all current uniform expectations will remain in place. In the next academic year, we will be making changes to the school uniform, in consultation with pupils across school. We intend to have one uniform across the school, reducing cost for parents/carers and ensuring uniform can be recycled to reduce waste and the need for different items to be purchased for different year groups. Information will be shared nearer the time.

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
89.7%	94.7%	96.2%	87.8%	93.8%	87.1%	93.6%

Please ensure your child attends school daily if they are well enough to do so. Pupils should also be in school, ready to learn by 8:45am. If you require any support regarding your child's attendance or punctuality please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. For any safeguarding support, speak to Mrs Morgan or Miss Coates.

If your child is going to be absent please inform the school office directly rather than pass messages onto teachers and classroom staff.

Class Dojo

As part of NELT's Class Dojo Acceptable Use Policy, **we are not permitted to use the messaging facility on Class Dojo. We ask parents/carers do not use this facility** and that if they wish to speak with staff, they contact them via the school office by telephone, email or in person. Staff are also available to speak to parents/carers at drop off and pick up times. Thank you for understanding.

RWInc Books

We have a number of our RWInc books which have not been returned from home reading. If you come across any RWInc books, please return them to school with your child. This will support us in ensuring all pupils have quality texts to read at home, at their current stage of reading.



PE Days for Summer 1
Children to wear PE kits to school on PE days

Reception – Monday
Year 1 – Mondays and Thursdays
Year 2 – Tuesday & Thursday
Year 3 – Tuesday & Friday
Year 4 – Wednesday & Thursday
Year 5 – Wednesday & Friday
Year 6 - Monday and Swimming on Thursday

Jewellery, including stud earrings, must not be worn by the children for PE. Please try to ensure they are removed on those days. Hair must be tied back if it is longer than shoulder length. Thank you.

School Lunches

School dinners are £11.25 per week, paid online by Monday please. Accounts must not be in arrears

Meals must be ordered on the school gateway – orders will not be taken in school any longer

Class Information

Rising 3's: Please do not let your child bring toys into school

Nursery: Monday – please wear PE kit/Joggers. If you have any unwanted toys in good condition we would be grateful if you wish to donate them.

Reception – Please bring your book bag to school every day.

Year 1 –On Outdoor Learning days, can children wear waterproofs if they have them. Children must wear long trousers on Thursdays to protect them if we venture into Forest School.

Year 2 – Every child, every night! Please remember to sign your child's reading log each night when they read to an adult. Every two weeks a homework task will be put into purple homework books. Challenge your child to complete 10minutes on TTRockstars once a week.

Year 3 – PE kits on a Tuesday & Friday please

Year 4 – Swimming is Thursday (Wear PE Kit).

Year 5 – Homework will be given out on a Thursday with Tuesday being the deadline for all homework to be handed in. Children have homework books to complete their homework which will go home on a Thursday.

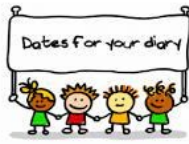
Year 6 – Please could all Year 6 children bring their homework wallet to school every day. Please continue to sign reading diaries whenever you hear your child read at home. Thank you.

Message from Admin

Please inform **Mrs Bradford** before **9am** if your child is going to be absent from school.

If you have any queries or issues please contact the school directly, we do not have access to parent whatsapp groups therefore we are unable to answer questions directly.

School Office hours are:
8.00am – 4.00pm



Spring Term Dates

School closes on Friday 21st July and re-opens on Tuesday 5th September

Important Term Dates

Sports Week – 19th June 2023.

KS1 Sports day – Tuesday 20th June 1.30 – 3.00pm (or Thursday 22nd if weather is bad)

KS2 Sports day – Wednesday 21st June 1.30 – 3.00pm (or Friday 23rd if weather is bad)

Bikeability – 26th -29th June (classes to be confirmed)

Tuesday 18th July Athlete Event (information to follow)

Beach Day – 19th July 2023 (information to follow)

Clubs for week commencing 05/06/2023

Monday	Netball – Years 4,5,6 3.15 – 4.15 Football training (only for the children currently on school team) 3.15-4.15 Golf – Years 3,4,5,6 12.00 – 12.30pm Art – Years 1,2,3 12.30 – 1.00pm
Tuesday	Choir/Performing Arts years 3,4,5 & 6 3.15 – 4.00pm What would David do? Years 2,3 & 4 3.15 – 4.15 Lego Club – Years 1,2 12.30 – 1.00pm
Thursday	Multi-skills Years 1 & 2 3.15 -4.15pm – Fully Booked Lego Club – Year 1,2 – 12.30 – 1.00pm Money Heroes – Years 3,4,5,6 – 3.15 -4.15pm Field Fun – Reception – 3.15 – 4.15