



Newsletter

7th July 2023

Dear Parent/Carers,

This week we held our first ever 'Meet the Teacher' event during our transition day. Thank you to all parents/carers who provided feedback. We are so pleased to hear that the event was well-received and hope to continue this event in the future with some developments to make the experience even more pleasurable! All information relating to what your child will learn next year is available to access on Class Dojo and our school website. If you have any questions, feel free to speak to your child's current or future class teacher.

At the beginning of the week our Year 4 pupils attended the Quad Kids final. Well done to all pupils who represented Meadowdale Academy, you did a fantastic job. I'd like to commend Foster on his achievements during the event and being recognised for his skill and talent during the javelin event. We definitely have a future sports star on our hands!

As we approach the final two weeks of the summer term, please refer to the letter sent out earlier this week and, on the events page below for all upcoming events in school. We will be adding these to our Class Dojo calendar to help remind families of events and any requirements for them.

Have a great weekend and we look forward to seeing all families back at Meadowdale next week!

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: Jake
Reception: Amelia
Year 1: Ruby & Kaison
Year 2: Theo
Year 3: Niamh
Year 4: Hayley
Year 5: George
Year 6: Jaxon

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

Important Messages

Nursery Start/Finish times for September 2023

15 hours – 8.45am – 11.45am Monday -Friday every day

30 hours – 8.45am – 2.45pm Monday -Friday every day

This will be reviewed in the future to ensure it works for as many families as possible.

Wrap around last day – AM & PM sessions will run as normal

After school clubs – will not run on last week

Uniform Expectations

If you have any used uniform that is not needed, please donate - freshly washed. On final week of term this will be out for parents to take what they need for the upcoming academic year.

Please go to our uniform page on the school website for full uniform requirements

[Uniform](#) | [Meadowdale Academy](#)

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	
95.3%	92%	96.2%	94.4%	96.7%	90.6%	93.9%	

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

Social Media Links

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/meadowdaleacademy/>
<https://link.nelt.co.uk/anoEF>

Twitter - <https://twitter.com/MeadowdaleAcad>
<https://link.nelt.co.uk/Ce6QY>



Summer Term Dates

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

Week commencing 10th July 2023

Date	Activity	Additional Information
Tuesday 11 th July 2023	Year 5 and Year 6 Puberty Talks	Please see letter previously sent out.
Wednesday 12 th July 2023	NELT Summer Showcase at The Sage, Gateshead	Tickets available at https://shorturl.at/FRW57
Thursday 13 th July 2023	Nursery (Robins) Sports Fun	Parents/carers are welcome to join us! Please arrive at the main office by 2:10pm.

Week commencing 17th July 2023

Date	Activity	Additional Information
Monday 17 th July 2023	Year 1 Water Fun! Year 5 Water Fun!	Pupils should come to school in their school uniform and bring a change of clothes (that can get wet), a towel and a water gun. *
	Year 5 Water Fun!	Pupils should come to school in their school uniform and bring a change of clothes (that can get wet), a towel and a water gun. *
	Owlets Talk Like a Pirate Day	Children come to school dressed as a pirate for lots of pirate themed fun!
	Year 6 Craft Afternoon	Please refer to the letter form Mrs Gair.
Tuesday 18 th July 2023	Year 6 Water Fun and Outdoor Afternoon	Please refer to the letter form Mrs Gair.
	Nursery Water Fun!	Nursery pupils should come into school in their water fun clothes (clothing that can get wet). They should bring their uniform (to change in to), a towel and a water gun*
	Athlete Event	Please ensure pupils' fundraising forms are returned to school on this date.
Wednesday 19 th July 2023	Summer Fair – Let's go to the Beach! (1pm-3pm)	This is being organised by Meadowdale's PTFA. Further information will be released later in the week.
Thursday 20 th July 2023	Reception Water Fun!	Reception pupils should come into school in their water fun clothes (clothing that can get wet). They should bring their uniform (to change in to), a towel and a water gun*
	Year 4 Water Fun!	Pupils should come to school in their school uniform and bring a change of clothes (that can get wet), a towel and a water gun. *

	Y6 Leavers' Assembly	Start time: 9:30am Please refer to the letter form Mrs Gair.
	Y6 Leavers' Meal	Please refer to the letter form Mrs Gair.
Friday 21 st July 2023	Year 2 Water Fun!	Bring a change of clothes (that can get wet), a towel and a water gun.*
	Year 3 Water Fun!	Bring a change of clothes (that can get wet), a towel and a water gun.*
Friday 21 st July 2023	Meadowdale Blue Day	Non uniform – children to come to school wearing blue

*No super soakers, please.

Please note, school finishes at the usual time of 3:15pm on Friday 21st July for all school aged pupils. The Owlets and Robins (morning session) will finish at 11:45am. The Robins afternoon session will finish at 3:00pm.

Clubs for week commencing 10/07/2023

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 – 12.00 Lego Club – Years 1,2 12.30 – 1.00pm
Thursday	Lego Club – Year 1,2 – 12.30 – 1.00pm Field Fun – Reception – 3.15 – 4.15

Messages from the Community

Please note these events are nothing to do with school and parents/carers are responsible for checking the safeguarding protocol during the events.

If anyone wishes to access Leading Link's opportunities, you will need to first register on the Leading Link website then activities become available from 3rd July.

[Northumberland Holiday Provision – Leading Link](#)

Bedlington Terriers Juniors are looking for new players for their under 10's team (current year 4). Mondays and Thursdays 6-7pm @ Gallaher Park. Please contact David on 07399490839