

Meadow View Primary School Newsletter – September 2025



WELCOME BACK

It is so wonderful to have all of the children back in school. They are life and soul of this school and we miss them incredibly during the holidays. The children have returned enthusiastic, eager and full of stories from their summer holidays. It has been fabulous to see all the children in their smart uniform and smiles upon their faces. I would like to welcome all children, families and staff back to Meadow View and also welcome all of our new families and new children. They are settling in wonderfully.

Safety reminders:

Trim Trails: please ensure that children do not go on the trim trail at drop off or collection time.

Entering school: When entering school grounds please use the footpath avoiding walking on the grassed banking. We have a one-way system in place for dropping off and collecting children at the start and end of the day to avoid congestion.

Earrings, Watches and Jewellery: For health and safety, children must not wear jewellery for school. This is a health and safety hazard. If children need to wear earrings, they must be a stud, not a hoop and all earrings must be removed for PE days. If children have recently had their ears pierced, on PE days, parents must cover stud earrings with plasters before coming to school. Children are allowed to wear a simple watch; however, these must not be smart watches of any kind.

No Smoking or Vaping: A polite reminder that smoking and/or vaping is not permitted anywhere on school grounds, including the school driveway. It is illegal to smoke or vape in enclosed public spaces including schools. Please vape or smoke at least 10 metres away from the school gates.

Pupil Absence: All pupil absences must be reported to the school office before 8:40am. The school has a duty to complete safety checks should no contact be made.

Choking hazards: Please ensure that grapes, berries, cherry tomatoes or other small items are cut into smaller pieces in packed lunches or snack tubs. For further information, please click here.

School Uniform

Thank you to all of our wonderful parents who have helped support the school by ensuring that all children are dressed in the correct uniform and PE Kit. As a school, we have a uniform recycling service which is run by Mrs Morgan. If you have any old uniform or PE Kit you can donate, please bring it into school. If would like to receive some second-hand uniform, please have a quiet word with Mrs Morgan and let her know the sizes and items you require. This can be done on the gate in a morning or by phoning or emailing school.

INSET DAYS

INSET stands for In-Service Training Day. These are identified days across the year that are used for staff development. Children do not attend school on INSET Days. Our future INSET days this year are:

- Monday 3rd November
- Friday 22nd May
- Monday 1st June
- Monday 20th July

TERM DATES

OCTOBER HALF TERM

Holiday starts - Monday 27th October Back to school - Tuesday 4th November **CHRISTMAS**

Holiday starts - Monday 22nd December Back to school - Monday 5th January

FEBRUARY HALF TERM

Holidays starts - Monday 16th February Back to school - Monday 23rd February

Holiday starts - Monday 30th March Back to school - Monday 13th April **MAY HALF TERM**

Holiday starts - Friday 22nd May Back to school - Tuesday 2nd June

SUMMER HOLIDAY

Holiday starts - Monday 20th July

Class Names

In school we use our text message service as a key way to share reminders and notifications. Texts may include class names to help parents who have multiple children in school. Class names are as follows:

- F1 Miss Lucera Rabbits
- F2 Mrs Connor Hedgehogs
- Y1 Miss Ford Otters
- Y2 Miss Haslam Squirrels
- Y3 Miss Kuna Owls
- Y4 Miss Weyman Kingfishers
- Y5/6 Miss Webster Badgers
- Y5/6 Miss Webb Foxes

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Parking

Last academic year we experienced some significant difficulties with inappropriate parking on Meadowhall Road and would therefore like to request your support with this as we move into the new academic year:

- If you see parking that is inside of the school keep clear zone, on single or double yellow lines or at bus stops on the main road, can you please take a photo of the registration plate and the parking and report it to the council using this link.
- If the parking is dangerous, on pavements or near junctions please take photos of the registration and parking and report it to the police using this link.

If we work together, we will hopefully see an improvement.

The bottom carpark is for staff only and for safety reasons cannot be used by parents to drop off and collect their children at any time including for breakfast club. Parents are welcome to use the top car park, however please remember all driveway gates will be closed and locked from 8:30am-9am and 3:05pm-3:35pm. Cars must not be moved during this time period.

If you have a disability or extenuating circumstances that means that you require access to the disabled parking, please complete an application for permission at the school office. All applications that were approved at the end of last academic year remain approved.

Safeguarding

In school, we have a team that oversees any arising safeguarding concerns. The team is below. It is however, important to recognise that Safeguarding is everyone's business. If you are worried about a child, you should make direct contact with Rotherham Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on 01709 336080.



Mrs Logan **Designated Safeguarding Lead**







Mrs Gregg Mr Allen Mrs Morgan **Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads**

Office Opening Hours

Please be aware that the school office is staffed each day from 8:15am to 4pm and therefore if you need to speak to someone, please call within these times. Answer machine messages can be left outside of these times and these are checked each morning.

Topics

In Foundation Stage 1, the children complete their learning through stories. The stories they are learning this term include: The Three Little Pigs, Rosie's Walk, My Hair, The Gruffalo, The Leaf Thief, The Gingerbread Man and The Snowflake.

In Foundation Stage 2 the children have shorter 2 or 3 week topics. This first half term the topics will be: Who am I? Who helps me? How do people celebrate special times?

Y1 and Y2 – What makes a superhero? This has a focus on real life superheroes including Tobias Wellers and Florence Nightingale. They will also be learning about sculpture in art and working towards our whole school opera in music.

Y3- Why has Britain been invaded throughout history? This has a focus on The Romans, however also touches on the Saxons and Vikings. They will also be learning about sculpture in art and working towards our whole school opera in

Y4 - Can we make comparisons between ancient civilisations? This has a focus on Ancient Egypt, the Stone Age, the Iron Age and the Bronze Age. They will also be learning about drawing and paint in art and working towards our whole school

Y5 and Y6 - How does the Mayan Civilisation compare with Ancient Britain? This has a focus on the Mayan way of life compared to the Stone, Iron and Bronze Age. They will also be learning about printing in art and working towards our whole school opera in music.

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