

Meanwood CE Newsletter



Open Hearts



Open Minds



Open Arms



Newsletter: 12
7.2.25

CARE Champions

Reception: Noah.

Year 1: Dawsey and Florence.

Year 2: Yoann.

Year 3: Benedek.

Year 4: Grace B.

Year 5: Mary D, Emmy.

Year 6: Seth.

Next Week in a Nutshell

Christian Focus: Open Minds- Reflection.

Monday: Whole school Assembly on Internet Safety.

School Council Meeting- 2:30pm.

Lower KS2 football tournament at Goals in Seacroft: 3:30-5:00pm. (Children involved have been informed).

Tuesday: Safer Internet Day.

NPCC Workshops (am) years 2, 5 and 6

Wednesday: Cross Country Event at Temple Newsam- 1:00-3:00pm. (Children involved have been informed).

Thursday: Year 4 performance Showcase: 9:00-9:30am. Parents and carers welcome. Please enter through the front entrance.

Year 2 Pop-Up Museum- 2:30- 3:00pm. Parents and carers welcome. Please enter through the front entrance.

Friday: Boogie to School- 8:30am meet at the Terminus.

Whole school Church Service at Holy Trinity- 9:15 - 10:00am.

Year 2 Cake sale after school.

Break up for half-term.

Attendance

Reception: 89%

Year 1: 99.7%

Year 2: 97.7%

Year 3: 97.4%

Year 4: 99.4%

Year 5: 93.2%

Year 6: 98%

Whole School: 96.4%

Well done year 1 you are this week's attendance champions.

"Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12).

General Notices

Change to Lunchtimes...Take 2

After consultation with the children and staff, we have made the decision to alter the lunchtimes again. Children and staff were finding the lunchtime too short and either did not have enough time with their friends or were running around completing tasks: not having time for a little bit of self care. The timings for KS1 and KS2 have slightly changed but ultimately lunchtime period will resort back to one hour for all children.

Reception and KS1: 12:00- 1:00pm

KS2: 12:15 - 1:15pm.

Staggering the times slightly will give the children more room on the playground and hopefully ensure a more enjoyable lunchtime for all.

WOW Walk to School

For some time now we have been part of the WOW walk to school project, which encourages families to use more sustainable methods of transport to travel to and from school.

So far this term, year 1 are leading the way with 80% of journeys to school being made in a sustainable manner. Year 5 are close behind with 70%.

We are the 2nd best school in Leeds and 59th in the country regarding sustainable travel to and from school, with 59.8% of all journeys being sustainable.

This is really impressive and shows dedication from our community to make our local environment a safe and more environmentally friendly place.

It would be great if we could reach the top of the leader board in Leeds. If at all possible please try to choose a sustainable method of transport to school next week.

Anglo Saxon Day

Year 4 had a lovely day on Wednesday at Harewood House on an Anglo Saxon Experience. They had a great time learning about the Anglo Saxon way of life.



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PTA

We hope all children who attended the disco last week had a great time!

Family Rock and Roll Bingo @ School Hall, tomorrow night

For all those joining the Family Rock and Roll bingo event, please enter via the Green Road door from 4.30pm with eyes down for the first game from 5.15pm.

Clothing donations Wednesday 7 May

Are you planning a spring clean over the next few weeks/during half term? Please don't send to a charity shop! We have a clothing collection arranged for early May and we will receive a pence per kilogram for the donations. Please see the attached poster with details of what donations they do and don't accept.

We do not have anywhere to store at school so please bag (using any type of bag) and store at home and bring in from Tuesday 6 May onwards.

Coming up.....

Year 3 cake sale - Friday 14 Feb

Break the rules day - Friday 21 Mar

Year 1 cake sale - Friday 21 Mar

Easter raffle - Friday 4 Apr

The Hollies

We haven't had much luck with building projects over the last year or so but I do want to share a success story with you. Mrs Caldwell (our amazing SENDCo) has worked really hard to create a new room in school called 'The Hollies'. This room has been designed to to a calm/ sensory space for children who may need a little extra support during the school day. It has been a tremendous success and although not quite finished, I'm sure you'll agree, from the photos below, it is quite impressive.



Facebook

We are now well underway with our Facebook Journey. There have been regular updates on the page 'Meanwood CE Primary School' and it is the place to see all the latest photos and videos.



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General Notices

House Tallies

Oak: 1973

Holly: 1989

Elm: 1915

Sycamore: 1860

Zuccos

Join us for a Special Evening at Zuccos - Support Our Playground Appeal!

We are thrilled to invite you to a Valentine's evening at Zuccos Restaurant on Tuesday 18th February. Not only will you enjoy their signature dishes and vibrant atmosphere, but your visit will also contribute to a great cause. 20% of all proceeds from that evening will be donated to our Playground Appeal, helping us create a safe and fun space for the children in our community to play and grow. Please see the attachment and menu and book your table now and be part of something meaningful - good food, great company, and a wonderful cause all in one night.

Thank you to Juliana (Cecilia's mum in Year 2) for making this happen!



A message from Mr Martin- Author Week and World Book Day

We are excited to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday, 6th March 2025, as part of our special Author Week beginning Monday, 3rd March. Throughout the week, children will explore the works of a specific author, engaging in a variety of fun and creative activities, including art, drama, and writing.

On World Book Day, children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character (this does not need to link to their Author Week focus). The day will be filled with exciting activities, including Drop Everything and Read sessions, a BBC Live Lesson, and other book-related fun.

We are also running our 'Book on the Brain' competition, where children can create and wear a book-themed hat. Whether it's decorating an old hat with themes from your favourite book, crafting one from card, or recreating a famous literary hat, we encourage creativity! Think of it as a 'book bonnet'. The parade and judging will take place on Thursday, 6th March. Entries can be brought to school any time during Author Week, but must be in by Thursday morning for the parade and judging. There will be a KS1 and KS2 winner, with book vouchers for The Little Bookshop in Chapel Allerton as prizes for the standout designs.

We cannot wait for a fantastic week celebrating books and reading!

Thank you for your support.

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Open Minds

This week we have been looking deeply into what it means to have an open Mind. We discovered it was very difficult. On many occasions we will revert to the 'easy option' and not consider others in our actions and words. We have discussed that the best way to be open minded is to reflect on the times when we have taken the 'easy' option and improve.

Dear Lord,

We learn through our mistakes. We learn that creating healthy relationships between each other is hard. We learn that with you by our side and following your example we can become strong and open minded people who love others as we want to be loved.

Amen

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A note from Mr Chapman

As another week goes by and we roll towards half-term, I am reminded how quickly time flies by and if you are not careful we miss so many beautiful things that are around us.

I have been working with Mrs Parker and Mrs Scopes this week on creating a school action plan for R.E and the wider spiritual journey of school. It gave me time to reflect that happy people are those who are thankful for what they have and can appreciate the beautiful world that surrounds them. Easier said than done: the world in which we exist seems to to be a constant movement of one challenge into the next.

As a school we are trying to create more reflective opportunities for all members of the community to become people with open hearts, open minds and open arms.

Too much? I don't think so. Little steps can make big strides.

have a lovely weekend.

Mr Chapman



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