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Open Hearts

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# CARE Champions

Reception: Neevan

Year 1: Winnie.

Year 2: Kinga.

Year 3: Fin.

Year 4: Arthur, Lucas.

Year 5: Jonah.

Year 6: Saul, Annabelle.



Next Week in a Nutshell

<u>Christian Focus: The Temptation of Jesus</u>

Monday: Author week starts. After School Clubs start.

Leeds Rhinos Assembly- 9:00 - 9:15am.

Drop everything and read- 1:15-1:30pm

Tuesday: Pancake pantry- 9:00 - 10:30am.

Year 4 skipping workshop- 1:00-3:00pm.

Netball match at St Paul's- 3:30-4:30pm. (Children who are involved have been informed).

Wednesday: Drop everything and read- 10:30-

10:45am.

Reception Stickman Trail in the park- 1:00-2:00pm.

Deadline for 'Book on the Brain' bonnets. World Book Day- dress up as your favourite book character.

Drop everything and read- 1:15-1:30pm

West Yorkshire Cross Country Finals at Temple Newsam- 1:00-3:00pm. (Children involved have been informed).

Friday: 'Let Girls Play' Football Tournament at Goals - 9:30 - 11:30am. (Children involved have been informed).

Drop everything and read 1:15- 1:30pm.

# **Attendance**

Reception: 91.7%

Year 1: 98.1%

Year 2: 96.1%

Year 3: 94.8%

Year 4: 94.8%

Year 5: 92.9% Year 6: 96.7%

Whole School: 95.1%

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

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

# General Notices

### Pancake Day

The children in year 6 have come up with the great idea of creating a pancake pantry on Tuesday 4th March (Shrove Tuesday). The year 6 children will serve pancakes to the children in school for a cost of £1, with all profits being allocated by year 6 on a project or cause of their choosing.

If your child would like a pancake please log onto Arbor where you will be able to make a purchase. The Pancake pantry will be offering dairy and gluten free pancakes, as well as the traditional variety.



#### Football Matches

The half-term has got off to a very sporty start with 3 games in the first week. Year 4 kicked things off on Tuesday, making a vist to Holy Family in Armley. Although the result was disappointing, the children played really well and battled hard.

On Thursday we played a double header against Weetwood. The year 4 team achieved a brilliant 2-2 draw and the year 6 team strolled to a 13-1 victory.

Well done to all the children who took part. We have more games coming up soon and as ever we always try to involve as many children as we possibly can.



#### Visit to Civic Hall

Yesterday, our School Council Reps attended the Inner North East Youth Summit at the Civic Hall. They participated in a democracy workshop, an emergency climate workshop, and had the opportunity to voice their opinions on a £35,000 budget for young people. In the afternoon, they met the Lord Mayor and engaged in a Q&A session with her. It was an incredible experience for our children to learn and contribute to important discussions. The children were impeccably behaved and represented the school perfectly.





## General Notices

#### **PTA**

### Coming up.....

### Clothing donations Wednesday 7 May

Are you planning a spring clean over the next few weeks? We have a clothing collection arranged for early May and we will receive 55p 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 on Tuesday 6 May or the morning of Wednesday 7 May.

## Break the rules day - Friday 21 March

Does your child want to drink squash instead of water all the time? Is brushing hair in a morning a task you want to avoid? Are trainers the first choice of footwear? Is pudding wanted before the main meal? If so you are in luck! For one day only at school, the children will be allowed to not conform to most the usual rules at school for a donation. Further details next week.

### **Easter raffle** - Friday 4 April (donations from 17 March)

Is some-bunny already egg-cited for easter and this eggs-cellent raffle! Last year our Easter raffle donations from you the amazing parents and carers created 25 prizes and the egg-citement of the children had them hopping all day. The donations don't need to only be chocolate eggs but can be anything Easter themed. Further details next week.

### Pre-owned school uniform

Please see the attached stock listing for pre-owned school uniform. You don't have to wait for a uniform sale if you require any items, please just email the PTA on pta@meanwood.leeds.sch.uk

Don't forget if you have any uniform/PE kits that are too small and in good condition, these can be donated to the green clothing bin near Mrs Tate in the school office.

Year 1 cake sale - Friday 21 March

Movie Night - Friday 2 May

Fun Run - Sunday 18 May

Summer Fair - Friday 27 June

### 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.



## General Notices

## **House Tallies**

Oak: 2189

Holly: 2207

Elm: 2122

Sycamore: 2047

### 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.

#### **Key Information**

Final day for 'Book Bonnet entries': Thursday 6th March- 9:00am.

World Book Day: Thursday 6th March: dress up as your favourite book character.

Year 5 and 6 children will ned to bring in their P.E kits on World Book Day for Basketball training the afternoon.







# Open Minds

This week we have had a focus on Lent. We have started this focus by looking at the story of John the Baptist baptising Jesus. This showed Jesus' humility and the fact that he was a person of the people, not different from you and me. By seeing Jesus like this helps us create a powerful relationship with God.

Dear Lord,

You came to earth to show the power and love of your father God. You showed us how to live a humble life putting the lives and needs of others above our own. May we walk in your shows and show our humility to others in the way we act and the way we speak.

Amen

Class page links

Reception

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Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

<u>Year 6</u>

# A note from Mr Chapman

Next week promises to be a very exciting and busy week in school with Author Week and World Book Day. As a school we unashamedly promote and encourage extra curricular activities and enjoyment both inside and outside of the classroom: we believe this gives every child the opportunity to enjoy and cherish their experience of primary school.

The whole half-term looks just as jampacked as next week and we will try to keep you as up to date as possible with everything that is going on. If you are ever unsure please check on Arbor or come in and speak to us- we will be happy to help.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Chapman

