

Meanwood CE Newsletter



Open Hearts



Open Minds



Open Arms



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11.7.25

CARE Champions

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Reception: Lake, Qiao.

Year 1: Ezra, Oli, Astrid.

Year 2: George, Florence, Alice.

Year 3: Darcy, Isaac.

Year 4: Esme, Eleni.

Year 5: Sophia, Jessie.

Year 6: Luke, Annabelle, Amelia

Next Week in a Nutshell

Christian Focus: Reflection

Monday: Normal Day in school.

Tuesday: Year 6 Tropical Party: 5:00pm- 6:30pm.

Wednesday: Meet the Staff team- 3:30pm- 4:30pm. All parents and carers have the opportunity to meet the new staff teams in their new classrooms.

Thursday: Normal day in school.

Friday: Lat day of term- Toy day. Please make sure that children bring in toys that do not record or take photos. Phones and cameras are not permitted. All toys brought into school are the responsibility of the child bringing them in.

leavers' Assembly: 2:00pm -3:00pm- top playground. All parents/carers and family members of year 6 children are welcome to attend. Please start arriving from 1:45pm onwards.

Thanks to Mrs Parker for making this a 'low- stress' week for everyone.

Attendance

Reception: 87.5%

Year 1: 93.6%

Year 2: 91.6%

Year 3: 97.4%

Year 4: 98.7%

Year 5: 94.5%

Year 6: 93%

Whole School: 93.8%

Well done year 4 you are this week's attendance champions.

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

General Notices

Staff Team for next year

Reception: Miss Cain, Mrs Milestone and Miss Ward (the younger).

Year 1: Mrs D Johnson, Mrs Skelton, Mrs Ward (senior).

Year 2: Mrs Scopes, Miss Arnold, Miss Jackson.

Year 3: Mrs Monk, Mrs Ratcliffe.

Year 4: Miss O'Dwyer, Mrs Bowie, Mrs Kelemen, Miss Lovell.

Year 5: Mr Martin, Mrs Banda, Mr McMahon.

Year 6: Mrs Goldthorpe, Mrs Kelly.

KS2 + KS1 Teacher: To be announced.

Mrs Johnson will be taking up a full time secondment at another school for a term.

Meet the team: 3:30pm - 4:30pm Wednesday 16th July. This is the opportunity to discuss next year with the upcoming staff team. Please can we politely ask all parents and carers to leave school by 4:30pm, as there is another function occurring in school after this time.

SATs Results 2025

Each year the year 6 children take a set of statutory tests in Reading, Writing, Maths and GPS (Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling). The results show how the school is performing in relation to other schools around the country. Although, the SATs are only a small reflection of the amazing work we do in school, this year's results are truly outstanding. Well done to the children who worked incredibly hard and all the staff who have given everything to ensure every child fulfils their full potential. I have attached an additional data sheet for your reference, which compares Meanwood's results to National figures.

Goodbye and Thank You

We have reached that time of year where we not only say goodbye to our Year 6 children but also members of staff. Mr Mensah and Miss Hope will be leaving us at the end of next week.

Mr Mensah has been a huge asset to our staff team. His flexible approach has helped us function as a cohesive team and his intellectual insights into teaching always inspire us to be better and progressive in our approaches. He moves to Bristol with all our best wishes for the future.

Miss Hope has been a great addition to school. She has also been flexible in her approach, spanning both year 2 and year 4. Thank you for all your hard work. Everyone at Meanwood wishes you the best for the next chapter of your life.



General Notices

House Captains and RP Reps

At the end of each year the children vote for next year's House Captains. Everyone who put themselves forward spoke brilliantly in front of the whole school. After a very close vote the house captains for next year will be as follows:

Oak: Sophia and Edward.

Sycamore: Leo and Evie.

Elm: Coby and Emmy.

Holly: Zack and Mary D.



As well as house captains we also have RP (Restorative Practice) Reps in school who do an essential job promoting our relational values on the playground. The RP Reps for next year can be seen in the picture below:



New Lining-Up Arrangements for KS1 in September

In the new academic year we are asking children in key stage 1 (year 1 and 2) to line up down the side of the school next to the main steps to the top playground. This will allow the children to enter the classroom quickly: ready to start learning immediately. We will be letting out of classrooms at the end of the day in the same way as this year- directly onto the playground.

Final House Totals

Oak: 3330

Holly: 3385

Elm: 3285

Sycamore: 3145

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PTA

This is the last newsletter update for this academic year, although we will send out an email next week summarising the amazing year it has been. We are really proud of our fundraising efforts and we have been able to fund so many items for school to ensure that all children get the same great experience during their time with us.

Without PTA fundraising and events, the children and school community would miss out on so much - the Meanwood C of E experience would not be as rich and diverse as we have all grown accustomed to. You can always get in touch on the PTA email address pta@meanwood.leeds.sch.uk if you have any ideas for future events.

Have a fantastic (and hopefully relaxing) summer and good luck to all those leaving the school, whether they are the Year 6 children or members of the teaching staff.

Future events:

AGM - an in person meeting - ALL WELCOME - Tuesday 30 September, 8pm, Myrtle Pub

Family Quiz Night - Saturday 11 October

Please try and attend the AGM if possible - not only will you hear reports from the Chair and Treasurer on the last academic year we will also elect the Committee members for next academic year.

The positions and responsibility details are attached. If you are interested and you would like more insight, please come and talk to any of the Committee members in the playground or email pta@meanwood.leeds.sch.uk.

The PTA is a registered charity and as such it needs a minimum number of committee members to be able to run. Without the PTA Committee, the PTA does not exist for our great school. Without the PTA, there would be no additional financial support to parents or if the school needed further investment in resources like tables, chairs, technology or new sports equipment. So please consider taking on a role this upcoming year, whatever and however you can contribute will make a big difference.

Whether you join the new committee or not, they will continue to need your help to make future years a success. If everyone volunteered for just a single event each year, we would never run out of people!

PTA- Thanks So Much!

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the PTA for their incredible dedication and hard work throughout the year. Their efforts have not only raised much-needed funds for the school but have also brought our community closer together. The events, initiatives, and support they provide make a real difference to the lives of our pupils and families. We are especially grateful to Anthony and his team, who have gone above and beyond in every aspect of their work. Their commitment and enthusiasm are truly inspiring. Thank you for everything you do - we deeply appreciate it.

Last Week- No After School Clubs

There will be no after-school clubs next week. this includes: dance, 2-Touch, year 3 football and basketball.

Star Club will be running as normal, however there will be no Friday Late Club.

Restorative Practice

Restorative Practice is at the centre of everything we do in school and it is important to understand the principles in order to understand how powerful it can be.

Katie Lamb our resident 'Restorative Practice Guru' will be leading a session for all parents in the new academic year.

The sessions is easy to follow and really helpful. The date for the session are: 29th September - 6pm-7:30pm. It is an open invite to all parents and carers and we would love to see as many of you there as possible.

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Open Arms

As we approach the end of term it is important to reflect on all our achievements and struggles. We only improve and truly see what we are capable of when we have the time to reflect. Have we always shown Open Arms, even when relationships become strained? How can we be better next time? God is always with us, but we only get to notice when we stand still for a while.

Our new daily school prayer:

Dear God,

Thank You for this day and all the good things we've shared.

Help us to have open hearts, ready to be kind and love others.

Help us to have open minds, ready to learn new things and see the world with joy.

Help us to have open arms, ready to help and be there for others.

As we leave today, fill us with your peace.

Amen

Class page links

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

A note from Mr Chapman

That's a wrap for another year...Well almost.

Thanks for the support. Thanks for the reminders. Thanks for the tough times. Thanks for the wonderful times. Thanks to the staff. Thanks to the community. Thanks to everybody who puts in a shift everyday to make Meanwood CE a special place to be.

Good luck year 6 as you embark on the next step of their journey. Don't fear what is ahead: embrace it with Open Hearts, Open Arms and Open Minds. We have loved having you at Meanwood and hope you leave with love in your hearts and a smile upon your face.

Who knows what next year will bring, but I know if we take it on together we will succeed. Have a lovely weekend and Summer break.

Mr Chapman

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