

# Meanwood CE Newsletter



Open Hearts



Open Minds



Open Arms



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CARE Champions

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Rec: Freya.

Year 1: Qiao.

Year 2: Oli and Cole.

Year 3: Alice and Quan.

Year 4: Elsa.

Year 5: Alfie.

Year 6: Evie.

Next Week in a Nutshell

## Christian Focus: Open Minds: Protected Characteristics

Monday: Extra Netball Club: 3:30pm-4:15pm- children involved have been informed.

Tuesday: Environment study happening in school: 12:00pm-3:00pm.

Author, Julian Oxley in school. Workshops for years 3 and 2: 1:15pm - 3:00pm.

Wednesday: Reception Parents and Carers Maths Workshop in the school hall. Please arrive through the front entrance: 2:15pm - 3:15pm.

Year 6 Residential Meeting: 6:00pm - 6:30pm in the year 6 classroom. Please enter through the Green Road Door.

Thursday: House meetings: 9:00am - 9:20am.

Year 6 Hockey Session at Weetwood Sports Ground: 1:30pm - 2:45pm. Please can all year 6 children wear P.E kit on this day.

U10 football match vs Newlaithes away: 3:30pm - 5:00pm. Children who are involved will be informed after the Easter break.

Friday: Pupil progress reports emailed out to parents and carers.

Attendance

Reception: 98% 😊

Year 1: 93.6% 😞

Year 2: 96.9% 😊

Year 3: 98.8% 😊

Year 4: 94% 😞

Year 5: 96.8% 😊

Year 6: 90% 😞

Whole School: 95.5% 😞

Well done year 3 you are this week's attendance champions.

Sustainable Travel to School

Top 3 Classes...

1<sup>st</sup>. Year 5 - 98% active travel.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Year 3 - 95% active travel.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Year 4 - 87% active travel.

We are the the 1<sup>st</sup> most active school in Leeds.

We are the 26<sup>th</sup> in the country.

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

# General Notices

## Break the Rules Day

Today we enjoyed a brilliantly creative Break the Rules Day, and it was wonderful to see the children's fantastic interpretations of what it means to "break the rules"! A huge thank-you to the PTA for organising such a fun and engaging event.

The best Rule Breaker in each class received an Easter egg in recognition of their imaginative efforts. We are also delighted to share that the event raised £348. This funding is absolutely vital in helping us maintain the wide range of opportunities we offer in school—both within the curriculum and in enhancing our school environment.

Thank you all for your generous contributions and enthusiastic support.

The PTA's next project will be decorating the Year 1 and Year 2 classrooms in the May half-term, and we look forward to seeing these spaces transformed.



## Eco-Focus

Throughout the year, our school continues to work towards the eco pledges we have made together as a community. This term, our focus has been on saving energy. Children and staff have been working hard to switch off lights and any electronic equipment that is not in use, helping us all to reduce unnecessary energy consumption.

We will be taking this work a step further next term by holding a "Switch Off Day", where we aim to minimise our use of electronic devices across the school. This will be a brilliant opportunity for pupils to reflect on how much energy we use in a typical day and how small changes can make a big difference. Watch this space for more information!

Looking ahead, our main eco focus for next term will be eating more fruit and vegetables. The Eco Council will be meeting soon to explore ways to encourage healthier eating in school, with a particular emphasis on promoting Fairtrade and locally grown produce. They have lots of creative ideas, and we look forward to sharing their plans and projects with you as they develop.

## PTA

Thank you for all the support on various events this term.

We hope everyone enjoyed breaking the rules today and has a fantastic Easter break.

Events for your diary

Clothing donations - Thursday 23 April

Are you planning a spring clean? We have a clothing collection arranged for after the Easter holiday and we will receive up to 45p per kilogram for the donations.

Please see supporting document for details on what can and cannot be donated.

Movie Night - Friday 8 May

Summer Fair - Friday 26 June

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## Meanwood Monday Fellowship Visit

On Monday, we were delighted to welcome members of the Meanwood Monday Fellowship into school. The ladies enjoyed a warm cup of tea and a hot cross bun while being treated to a wonderful performance by our brilliant school choir.

It was a joy to see our pupils sharing their talents and to welcome another branch of the Meanwood community into our school. We look forward to continuing to build these valuable connections and creating more opportunities for our children to shine.



## Progress Reports to Parents and Carers

Usually, on the final day of the Spring term, parents and carers receive a progress report outlining the progress and attainment their child has made over the term. This year, we have delayed the distribution of these reports until after the Easter holidays.

Progress reports will now be sent out on the first week back after the break—Friday 24th April.

This short delay has allowed teachers the necessary time to complete classroom assessments and ensure each report accurately reflects your child's learning. Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

## Pupil Voice: Collective Worship Votes

As many of you are aware, during class collective worship the children have been voting on activities they would like to see happening in school. Their two most recent votes have produced some exciting results:

A classroom board-game hour and more outdoor adventurous activities included in our curriculum.

I am pleased to announce that our Board Games Hour will take place on 23rd June. Children are welcome to bring in their own board games from home to share and enjoy with their classmates. The aim of this event is to create an inclusive, collaborative, and fun atmosphere in the classroom.

In addition, Mr Martin has kindly volunteered to lead outdoor adventurous activities for every class during the week beginning 15th June. This will be a fantastic opportunity for pupils to enjoy physical challenge, teamwork, and fresh air—something we know many children are very excited about!

We look forward to these special pupil-led initiatives and are proud of the thoughtful ideas our children continue to share.

## Year 6 Visit to Phoenix Dance Theatre

Yesterday, our Year 6 children had the wonderful opportunity to visit Phoenix Dance Theatre to watch their performance of Interplay. It was an amazing experience for the pupils, who were treated to a vibrant range of dance styles and artistic expression.

The children were truly in awe of the incredible talent on stage and thoroughly enjoyed the chance to experience a rich cultural performance. Visits like this not only inspire creativity but also broaden our pupils' understanding of the arts and the world around them.

## House Totals

Oak: 1246

Holly: 1305

Elm: 1100

Sycamore: 1055

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# Easter

As we come to the end of the Spring term, we would like to wish all our parents and carers a peaceful and joyful Easter. This special season reminds us of the heart of the Christian story: Jesus making the ultimate sacrifice out of love for us, and God showing the greatness of that love through Jesus rising again. It is a time of hope, renewal, and new beginnings—something we see every day in the growth of our children.

Dear God,

Thank you for the hope and joy that Easter brings. Help us to remember the love shown through Jesus' sacrifice and the promise of new life in His resurrection. Bless our families with peace, rest, and togetherness this holiday.

Amen.

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## A note from Mr Chapman

As we come to the end of what has been a truly lovely term, it's amazing to reflect on just how much we have achieved in only six weeks. We've enjoyed: football matches, Panathlon events, netball fixtures, author visits, Marvel Bars, theatre trips, community open days, and a fantastic family evening—and that's before I even look back through the diary!

It has been a term filled with opportunities, energy, and celebration, and I'm incredibly proud of everything our children, staff, and families have contributed to make it so memorable.

Next term already looks set to be another busy one, with plenty of exciting experiences planned for the children. But before all of that, I hope you are able to find time for rest and relaxation over the Easter break.

I wish every one of you a joyous and happy Easter.

May the power and hope that Jesus brings at this special time shine down on you all.

Have a good one.

Mr Chapman

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