



# Meanwood CE Primary School

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## CARE Champions

Reception: Henry.

Year 1: Alfie, Neevan.

Year 2: Yosuf, Ava.

Year 3: George, Parker, Layton.

Year 4: Lucas.

Year 5: Elijah.

Year 6: Eddie.

## Next Week in a Nutshell

### Christian Focus: What is Spirituality?

**Monday:** Year 6 children leave for residential at Malham: 10:15am meet for a 10:30am departure. Mr Chapman will be off school site Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Parker will be off site Thursday to Friday.

Teddy donations for the Summer Fair: please drop off at the front entrance.

**Tuesday:** Year 2 trip to Scarborough: 8:00am - 4:00pm

New Reception Class in school: 1:30pm - 3:00pm.

Year 4 Viking Pop-up Museum in school hall: 2:30pm - 3:00pm.

**Wednesday:** Normal day in school.

**Thursday:** Normal day in school.

**Friday:** Year 6 children return from Malham: pick up from Terminus at around 10:45am.

## Attendance

Reception: 97.1% 😊

Year 1: 93.9% 😞

Year 2: 98.8% 😊

Year 3: 99.3% 😊

Year 4: 96.1% 😊

Year 5: 98.4% 😊

Year 6: 94.3% 😞

Whole School: 96.9% 😊

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

## Sustainable Travel to School

Top 3 Classes...

1<sup>st</sup>. Year 5 - 99% active travel.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Reception - 97% active travel.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Year 3 - 82% active travel.

We are the the 2<sup>nd</sup> most active school in Leeds.

We are the 39<sup>th</sup> in the country.

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# General Notices

## Vacancies

We have two upcoming vacancies within school: a SENDCo Admin role and a Key Stage 1 Teaching Assistant role. Both positions are fixed-term contracts running until 31st December, at which point they will be reviewed with consideration given to extending them through to the end of the academic year. The Teaching Assistant role is full-time, while the SENDCo Admin role is part-time (2 days per week). We warmly welcome applications from all members of our school community and beyond. Further details about both vacancies can be found on the vacancies page of our school website: <https://meanwoodschool.co.uk/vacancies/>

## Climate Week: 15<sup>th</sup> June

We have lots of exciting activities planned. Mr Martin will be delivering outdoor lessons in the park, giving children a great opportunity to learn in a natural setting. Throughout the week, there will also be a vegetable table available for children to access, helping to encourage healthy choices and curiosity about different foods. In class, pupils will be exploring the concept of food miles and learning how eating more vegetables can help reduce our carbon footprint. On Tuesday, we will be taking part in a special "Switch Off Day" - we think the teachers might be more nervous about this than the children! We are also delighted that Mrs Skelton will be working with each class on planting activities, supporting our focus on sustainability and the environment. In addition, representatives from the Department for Education will be visiting to create a video showcasing the fantastic work our school is doing around environmental awareness and climate action.

## Travelling Book Fair

A big thank you to everyone who supported our Travelling Book Fair last week. Your enthusiasm for reading and generous purchases have made a real difference. Thanks to your support, the school has earned £213 in Scholastic credit. This funding will be used to replenish and update the range of books in our school library, helping to ensure that all pupils have access to exciting, high-quality reading materials. We truly appreciate your continued support in promoting a love of reading across our school community.



## Year 5 Trip to the Royal Armouries

Year 5 had a fantastic day at the Royal Armouries as part of their WW1 learning. During an engaging workshop, the children took part in basic soldier and medic training, learning about the vital roles people played during the war. They also explored the challenging conditions faced by soldiers and had the opportunity to handle real artefacts, bringing history to life through hands-on experiences.

It was a fun, interactive and memorable day that deepened their understanding of this important period in history. Well done, Year 5!



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# General Notices

## PTA

Events for your diary

Summer Fair - Friday 26 June

Fun Run - Sunday 28 June (from 2.15pm)

**Summer Fair- Friday 26 June (see supporting posters)**

The biggest event of our Summer term, there are lots of opportunities to get involved & help make it a success:

-Buy Raffle Tickets - available on Arbor now!

-Donate a Raffle Prize - If you are able to donate a prize towards the raffle, that would be greatly appreciated, please contact the PTA on [pta@meanwood.leeds.sch.uk](mailto:pta@meanwood.leeds.sch.uk)

-Donate to a Stall - Teddy donations w/c 8 June and bottles on Friday 19 June

-Volunteer on the day - We would like each class group will run a stall. There will also be some additional stalls for anyone from any year group to sign up and assist on. Most slots only require 30 mins of your time. It's a great way to get chatting to new people in the school community, and kids often love helping too. The volunteering sign-up sheet will be available next week

**Fun Run - Sunday 28 June (from 2.15pm) (see supporting poster)**

<https://meanwood-pta.eventcube.io/>

Tickets for the 6th Meanwood PTA Fun Run are now live! Thanks to those that have signed up! It's still only £5 for U18 and £7 for 18+.

2km Fun Run and 5km timed events available with entrance including the 2026 medal.

The event is open to the public so please share with friends, family, colleagues, running clubs, and mortal enemies. The more the merrier.

We already have three sponsors onboard, but there are still opportunities to support the event and get your logo on the medals, 5k race numbers and more.

Get in touch with Matthew 07843555569 to find out more

Big shout out for the continued support from sponsors all of which have supported the event for several years:

Morland Bathrooms

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## Stitch-Up Community Events

June 6th 10-12 : [Family Crafts Workshop Tickets, Saturday 6 June · 10 AM - 12 PM | Eventbrite](#)

July 4th 10-12: [Family Crafts Workshop Tickets, Saturday 4 July · 10 AM - 12 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Our Family Crafts Workshop is the perfect opportunity to take some time out with your child to get creative and make together. No crafting experience necessary and all materials are included, just bring your creativity and enthusiasm!

## Year 6 Leavers Party

This year's leavers party will see Year 6 walk the red carpet as we celebrate their final scene Hollywood style.

- Get ready for some glitz and glam!
- SAVE THE DATE: Friday 10th July
- Year 6 Leavers' Party
- 6:00pm - 7:30pm
- Meanwood Institute

Get ready to dress to impress and walk the red carpet for a night of fun, music, and celebration!

## House Totals

Oak: 1413

Holly: 1471

Elm: 1272

Sycamore: 1199

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## Year 6 Trip to The Retro Station Halifax

Our Year 6 pupils enjoyed a well-deserved treat with a visit to The Retro Station in Halifax. They had a fantastic time exploring and playing on the wide range of arcade games available, bringing plenty of excitement and smiles throughout the day.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable trip for both the children and staff, and a great way to celebrate all of the hard work Year 6 have put in this year.



## Visit from a Magistrate

On Monday Year 5 enjoyed a fascinating visit from one of our governors, who came in to talk about their role as a magistrate. Pupils learned about the important work magistrates do within the justice system and took part in a range of engaging, real-life scenarios to help them understand how decisions are made in court. It was an interactive and thought-provoking session that sparked lots of excellent discussion and questions. Thank you for sharing your expertise with us!



## Year 4 Viking Museum Reminder

A reminder to all Year 4 parents and carers that there will be a pop-up Viking History Museum in the school hall on Tuesday 9th June at 2:30pm.

All parents and carers are warmly welcome to attend and enjoy the children's hard work. Please enter through the front entrance of the school.



## Parent Governor Vote

We are privileged to have four members of our school community who have put themselves forward for the role of Parent Governor: Christian Jones, father of Teddy Jones in Reception; Markus Fraundorfer, father of Cecilla in Year 3; Nicola Arnold, mother of Jude Arnold in Year 4 and Utonnwa Akinlaja, mother of Christopher in year 5.

Their personal statements are attached to this newsletter, and we encourage all parents and carers to take the time to read them carefully.

Please cast your vote by clicking on the link provided. Voting will close on Friday 12th June at 12:00pm.

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/8ZKbwPUchx>

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# Spirituality

This half-term, we are focusing on Spirituality across school. We will be exploring this important theme by breaking it down into four key areas: self, others, the world, and the sacred and significant. Spirituality is an important part of what makes us human. It helps us to reflect on who we are, appreciate our own worth, and recognise the value and beauty of everything that God has given us. Through this focus, we aim to support our pupils in developing a deeper understanding of themselves, their relationships with others, and the world around them.

Dear God,

Thank you for who we are and for all that you have given us.

Help us to see our own worth and the worth in others.

Guide us to care for the world and to appreciate all that is special and meaningful in our lives.

Amen.

## Class page links

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## A note from Mr Chapman

As we come to the end of another very busy week, I would like to thank you for your continued support. It has been a particularly full one, with lots of external visits and trips out, some of which I have been privileged to see and attend—wonderful opportunities that enrich our children's learning and create lasting memories.

The Summer 2 term always brings mixed emotions. It is without doubt the busiest half-term of the year, filled with performances, events, theme weeks and many exciting trips. At the same time, we begin to welcome in our new Reception cohort (starting next week), while also preparing to say a fond farewell to our Year 6 pupils as they move on to the next stage of their journey.

With so much happening, it can sometimes be challenging to keep everything calm and well-regulated. This is why it is more important than ever that we continue to live by our shared values of Open Hearts, Open Minds and Open Arms. By doing so, we ensure that everyone feels supported and able to fully enjoy this very special and memorable time of year.

Thank you again, and have a lovely weekend.

Mr Chapman

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