



Meanwood

CE Primary School

Open Hearts | Open Minds | Open Arms



Newsletter: 18
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CARE Champions

Reception: Georgie and Arthur.

Year 1: Jemimah and Eda.

Year 2: Ivan.

Year 3: Yoann and Peter.

Year 4: Orlando.

Year 5: Brooke and Grace.

Year 6: Coby and Eddie.

Next Week in a Nutshell

Christian Focus: Spirituality- Significant and Scared

Monday: Abbey Grange Work Experience Crew start.

Leeds Museum Assembly: 9:00-9:30am.

Tuesday: Year 6 Carr Manor Transition day 1.

Rev John KS2 Collective Worship: 9:00- 9:20am.

RP Training session for Year 5 children: 2:00- 2:30pm

Wednesday: Red Kite Student Teacher Interviews in school.

Year 6 Carr Manor Transition day 2.

RP Training Session for Year 5 children: 1:30 -2:00pm.

Whole School Transition: 2:30-3:00pm.

Thursday: Leeds Library Summer Reading Challenge Assembly:
9:00-9:20am.

RP Training for Year 5 children: 1:30 - 2:00pm.

Little Voice Performance for Parents in school hall. The parents of the children involved have been informed by Little Voices: 2:00 - 2:30pm.

Friday: Drumming Assembly, Year 2 and 6: 2:30-3:00pm.

RP Training for Year 5 children: 1:30 - 2:00pm.

End of Year Reports sent home.

Year 6 Hollywood Party at Meanwood Insititute: 6:00-7:30pm.

Sustainable Travel to School

Top 3 Classes...

1st. Year 5 -100% active travel.

2nd. Year 3 -95% active travel.

3rd. Year 4 -81% active travel.

We are the the most active school in Leeds.
We are the 15th in the country.

Attendance

Reception: 97.9% 😊

Year 1: 95% 😞

Year 2: 100% 🥳

Year 3: 98.2% 😊

Year 4: 97.8% 😊

Year 5: 99.3% 😊

Year 6: 87.7% 😞

Whole School: 96.6% 😊

Well done year 2, you are this week's attendance champions.

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

General Notices

Tree of Reflection

Over the past week, our Tree of Reflection in the bottom playground has provided a special space for children to pause, reflect and celebrate the kindness of others. Recently, the children have been challenged to write positive and thoughtful comments about their classmates and members of our school community.

It has been truly heartwarming to read the many kind messages that have been added to the tree. The children's words have reflected friendship, gratitude, encouragement and appreciation, reminding us of the positive impact that small acts of kindness can have on those around us.

As we approach the end of the school year, the Tree of Reflection will be retiring. While we will be saying goodbye to the tree itself, we hope the spirit behind it will continue to flourish throughout our school. It has been wonderful to see so many children embracing our school values of Open Hearts, Open Minds and Open Arms, and demonstrating these values through their thoughtful words and actions. Thank you to all the children who have taken the time to contribute. Your reflections have helped make our school an even kinder and more caring place to learn and grow



Phoenix Dance Performance - What a Day!

On Tuesday, our Year 5 and Year 6 children enjoyed an unforgettable afternoon with our partners, Phoenix Dance Company. After weeks of hard work and dedication, the children had the opportunity to perform in front of a packed audience, confidently showcasing everything they had learned through their dance project.

The afternoon was about much more than the final performance. The children also took part in exciting Caribbean music and dance workshops, broadening their cultural understanding and experiencing new styles of performance. For many of our pupils, this was truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Phoenix Dance Company for their incredible support. Through weekly lessons, providing transport to the venue, and creating such a memorable experience, they have given our children opportunities that they will remember for years to come.

The children represented our school brilliantly, demonstrating confidence, enthusiasm and teamwork throughout the day. It was a fantastic celebration of creativity, culture and performance. What a day!



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End of Term Reminder

As we reach the end of another wonderful school year, please be aware that a variety of items will be coming home with your child on the last day of term. These may include everything from long-forgotten jumpers and cardigans discovered in the furthest reaches of the cloakroom, to more important belongings such as inhalers, EpiPens and other medical equipment.

Please take some time over the summer holidays to check any medical equipment that has been sent home, paying particular attention to expiry dates and ensuring that everything is in good working order.

When your child returns to school in September, please make sure that any required inhalers, EpiPens or other essential medical equipment are brought back into school and are up to date. This will help us to ensure that we can continue to support your child's health and wellbeing effectively from the very first day of the new academic year.

PTA

What a hot and busy weekend we had last week!

We hope everyone that attended the Summer Fair had a great time and hopefully you were lucky on the games and the raffle.... if not, you consoled yourself with an ice cream or candy floss.

A massive thank you to everyone that volunteered their time before, during or after the fair - the events really cannot take place without you.

If you did win a raffle prize, please ensure you collect it from Hazel or via an email request as soon as possible.

We followed the fair with the Fun Run on Sunday. It was a well-attended event with a good mix of runners in the 2km and 5km distances. Hopefully everyone had a good time (I hear ice cream sales at the venue were up) and look forward to seeing you all next year.

We would like to thank all the children for their behaviour. It was commented on more than one occasion how well behaved they all were by the venue staff - this is a credit to everyone, and you should be proud of yourselves!

Across the two events we raised over £3,000 (before costs) and we will provide an update of funds raised / expenditure incurred before the end of term.

Upcoming events:

In person PTA meeting - ALL WELCOME - Tuesday 14 July, 8pm, Myrtle Pub - help plan the events for 2026/27.

If you would like to provide feedback on the events held this year or indeed suggest events going forward and can't make it on the night, please contact your class rep or email the PTA on pta@meanwood@leeds.sch.uk



Training Day: Tuesday 1st September

I have been made aware that there was an error in communication regarding the training day in September. School will be closed to pupils on Tuesday 1st September and will open for the new academic year on Wednesday 2nd September. Apologies for any confusion.

House Totals

Oak: 1523

Holly: 1579

Elm: 1380

Sycamore: 1301

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Library Books Reminder

As we approach the end of the school year, we would be grateful if all parents and carers could have a quick look around at home for any school library books that may have found a permanent resting place on a bookshelf, under a bed, or tucked away in a reading corner!

Our library books are easily identifiable by the coloured sticker on the spine. Maintaining a well-stocked and varied library for our children is incredibly important, and replacing lost books can be costly.

If you do come across any school library books at home, we would greatly appreciate them being returned to school by the end of term so that they can be enjoyed by other children in the years ahead.

PTA Fun Run Success!

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our PTA Fun Run at the Brownlee Centre on Sunday 28th June. It was a fantastic event, well attended by families and members of our wider community, creating a wonderful atmosphere throughout the day.

Special thanks go to Matthew Shallcross and Emily Drake for all the hard work, time and dedication they put into organising such a successful event. We would also like to thank our generous sponsors, whose kindness ensured that every participant received a medal to celebrate their achievement.

Once again, this is a wonderful example of our supportive parent community coming together to organise an enjoyable event that raises much-needed funds for our school. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who took part, volunteered, sponsored or cheered on our runners. Your support makes a real difference to the opportunities we can provide for our children.



Year 6 Production

Today, the children performed 'Troy Story'; the performances were absolutely outstanding. The standard was amazing, and it was clear for everyone to see that the hard work, dedication and commitment that have gone into preparing for the production over the last few weeks have truly paid off. From the excellent acting and singing to the confidence shown on stage, every child played their part in making the production such a memorable success. They performed with energy, enthusiasm and professionalism, captivating the audience from start to finish.

A huge thank you must go to Mrs Kelly for the amazing props, which helped bring the story to life and added so much to the overall production. We would also like to thank Mrs Goldthorpe for the passion, and countless hours she has dedicated to the project. Her enthusiasm has been instrumental in making the show such a success. Most importantly, thank you to the children themselves. They have embraced every rehearsal, loved every minute of the experience and that joy truly shone through on stage today. Their hard work, teamwork and determination were evident throughout both performances. Congratulations, Year 6! An absolute triumph!



Spirituality

This week, our focus in Spirituality has been on the wonder of the world around us. The children have spent time reflecting on the amazing things that exist on our planet, from the incredible variety of animals and plants to the atmosphere that makes life on Earth possible.

We have encouraged the children to pause, notice and appreciate the beauty and complexity of creation. Through discussions and reflection, they have considered how fortunate we are to live in such a remarkable world and how each of us has a responsibility to care for it. As stewards of our planet, we can all play our part by showing respect for nature, reducing waste and making choices that help to keep our environment clean and safe for future generations.

Dear God,

Thank You for the beautiful world You have given us. Thank You for the animals, plants, oceans, skies and all the wonders of creation. Help us to be thankful for the world around us and to care for it with kindness and respect. Guide us to make good choices that protect our planet and help others to do the same. May we always appreciate the beauty of Your creation and do our best to look after it for future generations.

Amen

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A note from Mr Chapman

It has been a far more pleasant week temperature-wise in school, and returning to some form of normality has been beneficial for both the staff and the children. The cooler conditions have certainly helped everyone to focus, learn and enjoy their time in school.

Thank you once again for all your support over the last week with events such as the Summer Fair and the Fun Run. It was wonderful to see so many families attending and taking part. These occasions are always special, but they also provide an opportunity to reflect on what a strong and supportive group we are at Meanwood CE Primary School.

I feel very honoured to be part of such a special community, where belonging sits at the heart of so much that we do. We are all human and, of course, there will be times when strong feelings arise—that is entirely natural. However, I remain confident that, guided by our key values and our clear vision, we can continue to work together positively and respectfully for the remainder of this year and the upcoming academic year.

As we enter the final two weeks there is still much to look forward to. Thank you for your continued support, encouragement and commitment to school. Two more weeks—we can do this!

Mr Chapman

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