



Forthcoming dates

Please do check the website regularly

Wednesday 18th September	Individual and Siblings Photographs
Tuesday 24th September	Swimming lessons commence Class 4
Thursday 26th September	Science Crest Awards presentation Wolstanton High School 11:15 am
Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November	Half Term
Monday 11th November	Pupil Progress Meetings with Parents 1:30 - 6:30pm
Friday 15th November	Class 4 Trip to Quarry Bank Mill
Wednesday 11th December	Flu Immunisation Y1-6
Thursday 12th December	Christmas Disco Leycett Cricket Club
Tuesday 17th December	Classes 1 and 2 Trip to Hawkstone Park Santa Safari
Wednesday 18th December	Classes 3 and 4 Trip to Crewe Lyceum Peter Pan
Wednesday 18th December	Nativity Performance The Madeley Centre 1:30pm Classes 1 and 2
Thursday 19th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 20th December	End of Term
Tuesday 7th December	Start of New Term

A New School Year

Welcome back to all the pupils, parents and carers in our school community. We would like to thank all the families who have joined us and also welcome back to those familiar faces who have returned. I hope you have had an enjoyable summer. I have heard lots from the children about the places they have been and the things they have done.

I am very proud of our younger children who are new to our school. They have all pushed themselves out of their comfort zones and are settling in well. They are already adjusting to our routines and are delighting us with their smiles and enthusiasm. I must say a thank you to some of our older pupils in Class 4 who are proving themselves as tremendous buddies.

At this time of year, it is always lovely to see all of the children so smart and taking pride in their uniform. The bright yellow polo shirts certainly do shine out in assembly. I know from personal experience how expensive uniform is and how frustrating it is when items are lost. This week I have found lots of jumpers and cardigans left around the school and have managed to reunite them with their owners thanks to clear labelling. Marker pen does however quickly wash off so please do invest in a more permanent way of marking clothes.

Our welcome meetings with the teachers have been very well attended. It was an ideal opportunity to share expectations, routines and how we can work in partnership with you. We do welcome dialogue with our parental community throughout the year. Should at any time you have a question or a concern, please do share these with us. You can either pop in to see the class teacher before school in the morning (before 8:45 am) or after school. Alternatively, you can email the school office and this will be brought to the class teacher's attention promptly. Communicating with the class teacher should always be your first point of contact, so issues can be resolved easily before they escalate.

We do expect children in Year One onwards to be entering school independently. They are very able to hang up their own coats/bags and by saying goodbye on the playground it ensures that children settle quickly and learning begins smoothly. Thank you for your co-operation.

Contact Details

Please do let us know if your email or mobile details have changed. It is a safeguarding requirement for the school to have a minimum of two contact numbers, **both of which must accept calls during school hours.**

Remember that the school is committed to being paper light, which means most of our letters will be sent home electronically. In order to be informed you will need to engage in ParentMail. The app is very easy to download on all phones.



Holiday Dates

Term dates for this academic year and next year are available both on our website and in the school office. Please do look at these before making future holiday bookings. Term time holidays will not be authorised. This is in accordance with the Department for Education's legislation.



News from The Shaw Education Trust

As you may be aware, we recently held a formal consultation to gauge the community's need for our school's proposed Nursery provision. We would like to thank everybody who participated in the process and are pleased to announce we have received a wealth of community support to extend the school's age range from 4-11 to 2-11-years-old.

Following the success of the consultation the school is hopeful to progress their plans with opening a nursery in a new purpose built, self-contained building, with an outdoor learning environment at Madeley School.

Based on the feedback received, the Nursery is planned to open in February offering parents fully funded hours, provision for 50-weeks-a-year and the option of extended hours at a very competitive rate.

We are committed to supporting local families and the wider community and look forward to working with you all during this exciting process.



Communication

A reminder that the school does have an official Twitter account. We use Twitter to capture those special moments in our school that happen on a daily basis and also signpost useful information. Please do take a look: @primary_meadows. Currently we have over 160 followers and have tweeted 472 times in 12 months!

PE Kits

A reminder of PE days this year:

Wednesday	Classes 2 and 3	Madeley School
Thursday	Classes 1 and 4	School
	Class 4 (Autumn term only) Commences 24.9.19	Swimming Chesterton Community Sports College
Friday	Classes 2 and 3	School

Please do ensure your child's kit is in school. Children who forget kits are required to complete work in a different class and a letter is sent home. It is also essential that earrings are removed for PE lessons. Your child either needs to do this independently at school, or they need to be removed in the morning before school.

Reading Arbour

I am sure you have noticed the reading seat has been painted, over the summer. It now looks much brighter and vibrant. A special thank you to Mr Silvester for volunteering to paint this for us.

Mobile Phones

We recognise that mobile phones are part of everyday life for many children and that they can play an important role in helping pupils to feel safe and secure. However, we also recognise that they can prove a distraction in school and can provide a means of bullying or intimidating others. Therefore:

- We discourage pupils to have mobile phones at school.
- If in the rare event of a parent/carer wishing for his/her child to bring a mobile phone to school they must email the office explaining the circumstances. In all cases the phone must be handed in (switched off) to the office first thing in the morning and collected by the child at home time (the phone is left entirely at the owner's own risk).
- Mobile phones brought to school without permission will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day.
- Should the school be made aware of any inappropriate use of the phone whilst on school premises, parents will be informed and requested to ensure their child's phone is not brought into school in the future.

Therefore, if your child does currently bring their phone to school, please email the school office to confirm that you are aware of this arrangement and explain the circumstances why you feel the phone is required.

office@meadowsprimary.co.uk

Before and After School Club

A reminder that the school does not run this provision or employ the staff. It is managed by Roosters Nursery. Enquiries regarding availability should be directed to their direct mobile number: 07950717559. If Mrs Fowler is unable answer the phone, do leave a message or text and she will get back to you shortly. Unfortunately places are restricted due to the size of the room and staffing levels.

School Clubs

Communications regarding clubs will be sent out via ParentMail at the beginning of next week. They will then start WB 16th September.

School Nurse Service



Family Health and Wellbeing Service (0-19)

NHS
Midlands Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust
A Keele University Teaching Trust

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TEXT YOUR SCHOOL NURSE ON
07520 615721

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Pupil Leadership

Today I have announced the names of those pupils selected to be our Ambassadors and Behaviour Mentors. Our selection followed lengthy discussions with staff. Our Ambassadors: Christiana and Michelle have been chosen for demonstrating effective leadership qualities in Y5 and their ability to communicate confidently, both written and verbally with a variety of audiences, including external visitors. Our Behaviour Mentors: Kiri, Indigo, Isla and Alexi have been selected for their empathy with people, patience, listening skills, confidence and outstanding conduct. Congratulations to each of them.



Personal Possessions

I would like to remind all our school community of the following:

The storage of any personal property or possessions or, where pupils bring in personal property or possessions onto the school premises it is at the pupil's and parent's own risk and the school will not be liable for any loss or damage to personal property or possessions.



Mrs Procter



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