

# November



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Dear Parents/Carers,

## WELCOME

We would like to welcome all our new families and pupils who have joined White Meadows recently. We hope you have a happy time at White Meadows Primary Academy.

## MATHS ENTERPRISE WEEK SUCCESS

We would like to offer our thanks to everyone who contributed to Maths Enterprise week, either by buying items or donating items to be sold. The week is an excellent opportunity for pupils to demonstrate their organisational and business skills, as well as raising money for the school. Some of the many activities that the children helped to plan, run and enjoy included a table-top sale (in Year 5), where pupils designed advertising and priced the items, before selling them to eager parents! Years 2 and 4 designed, decorated and sold biscuits, while Year 3 planned a disco party. This included the use of research, tally and bar charts to make decisions about preferred snacks and music.

Overall, the total of donations raised came to £900. The top earning year groups were Nursery and Reception, who raised a combined total of £469! Every penny earned will go back to year groups, for them to purchase resources and support the education of the children in the school. In times of financial hardship for schools I would once again like to thank everyone who contributed and supported the school; these funds will make a huge difference.

## **FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT**

On Tuesday 16th October a group of Year 3 and 4 boys travelled many miles to TLA. After the journey to TLA the boys warmed up and got ready for a football tournament! This was the first time a lot of the players had played together but due to remembering our school values (especially enjoyment) we managed to finish a respectable 7th!

## **TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT**

Year 5 and 6 boys journeyed to The Angmering School where we took part in a Tag Rugby Festival. The boys played some absolutely phenomenal rugby and won most of our games! The team are looking forward to the Tag Rugby Tournament where we hope to get some medals!

## **VISIT TO THE OLD VIC**

On Friday 2nd November, 12 Year 5 children travelled to the Old Vic in London with Mrs Clifton-Bowley, Miss Cole and Mrs Richards, to meet author Daniel Morden. They had a great time and were brilliantly behaved.

## **EASY FUNDRAISING**

We need your help! If you shop online, please could you sign up to [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) to support Friends of White Meadows - Littlehampton?

It's a really easy way to raise money for us - you just use the easyfundraising site to shop online with more than 3,300 well known online stores like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S and when you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation, at no extra cost to you.

We want to raise as much as possible, so please visit our new easyfundraising page at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fowhitemeadows/> and click 'support us'.

## **HOUSES AWARD**

At the end of each term we will be announcing who has won the house award. Throughout each term, children are rewarded with points for various activities and their behaviour. These points go towards their house. The houses are as follows; Slindon (Blue), Eartham (Green), Highdown (Red) and Tortington (Yellow).

## **MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS**

If your child has a doctors/hospital/opticians appointment please bring in the letter/appointment card to the school office so that this can be authorised.

Please remember if you have a different home time arrangement for your child either speak to the teacher in the morning (KS1) or send in a note with your child (KS2).

**It is not always possible to get a message to your child while they are in school.**

### **ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL**

If your child will be absent from school, it is important that parents/carers telephone the school office and leave a message on the absence line before 9am. Unexplained absences will be recorded as unauthorised and may result in a fixed penalty fine.

**If your child is late, they must be signed in at the office by an adult.**

### **SICKNESS POLICY**

There have been occasions recently where parents have brought their children into school too soon after diarrhoea/vomiting. We have a strict policy in place which stipulates 48 hours after last onset of symptoms. This avoids spreading the virus through the class. Could we please ask that parents do not bring their child in within this time as you will be asked to take them home.

### **RISK ASSESSMENT**

If your child has been injured, such as a fracture or a broken bone and will be attending school, please book an appointment with the school office to complete a risk assessment.



### **UNIFORM AMNESTY**

Please can we ask that you check all the uniform and make sure you have your child's uniform. If you find you have anyone else's uniform please give to the class teacher.

### **CIGARETTE LITTERING**

Please could we remind you to be courteous and respectful to our neighbours on Whitelea Road and not stub out cigarettes on their walls or speak to them disrespectfully.

## **SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES**

### **Autumn Term 2018**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Inset Day: Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

### **Spring Term 2019**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January-Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

Half Term: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February-Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Inset Day: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February

### **Summer Term 2019**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April-Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Bank Holiday Monday-Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

Inset Days: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

## AUTUMN TERM DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please note that these events could change, you will be alerted by email and weekly newsletters.

<u>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<u>UK Parliament Week</u>
<u>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<u>Non Uniform Bottle Donation</u>
<u>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<u>Parent Consultation Evening</u>
<u>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<u>Parent Consultation Evening</u>
<u>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<u>Year 6 UK Parliamentary Debate</u>
<u>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November</u>	<u>Year 1 Marwell Visit</u>
<u>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November</u>	<u>Inset Day</u>
<u>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<u>Non Uniform PJ Day Sweet Donation</u>
<u>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<u>Year 5 Film Night "Early Man"</u>
<u>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<u>"Wear It Festive" St Barnabas Donations</u>
<u>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<u>Acorn 1 / Conkers Nativity 2pm</u>
<u>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<u>Cake Donations (shop brought)</u>
<u>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<u>Reception Nativity 2pm</u>
<u>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<u>Cake Donation (Home made)</u>
<u>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<u>Christmas Fayre</u>
<u>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<u>Acorn 2/Conkers Nativity 2pm</u>
<u>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<u>Reception Nativity 9.30am</u>
<u>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<u>Christmas Meal</u>

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