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MPA School Council

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the first MPA School Council newsletter! We are very excited to share what we have achieved so far this year and also what we have planned over the coming months.

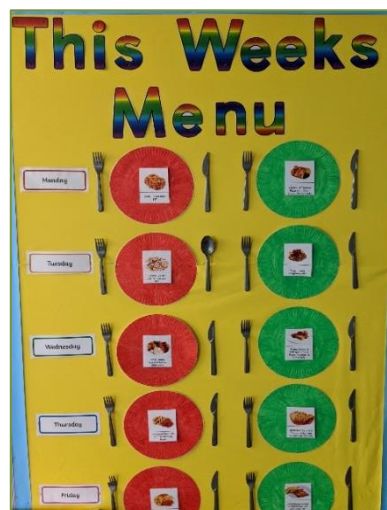
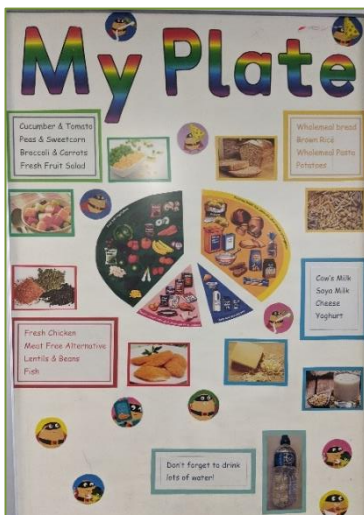
September 2019

To start the academic year a new school council was elected and our committee for the year 2019/2020 was formed. School council representatives were awarded a badge which we wear with pride around the school to let our classmates know who to talk to about issues and requests within the school.

NAME	YEAR	CLASS
Tanaka Mutepaire	3	Beech
Lexi-May Taylor	3	Sycamore
Paige Blackman-Hedger	4	Elm
Alfie Read	4	Chestnut
Ashden Cartwright	5	Ash
Ibrahim Ali	5	Hazel
Ethan Beamond	6	Oak
Siam Chowdry	6	Poplar

October 2019

Our school dinner hall had a makeover and was painted. The school council supported this by designing and making new display boards. We wanted to make these fun and promote a healthy eating culture. We also completed a survey with our class peers about what we most liked and disliked about school dinners. We met with a representative from Chartwells, who provide the catering to discuss our survey results and new menu ideas.





November 2019

November was an exciting month as Meadow Park Academy participated in the Turn Tilehurst Red Campaign to mark 101 years since the end of WW1. As part of the event, the school council were involved in laying of pennies to create a large poppy piece of artwork at the Tilehurst Triangle. Whilst attending the event, we were proud to find out that our school had won an award for one of the best displays in the area and we collected a rosette and certificate.



December 2019

December was the annual MPA Christmas Fayre, a fun event for all families with lots of stalls and activities. This year the School council helped in running the refreshments stall in the dinner hall and served snacks and drinks to the MPA community. As part of the event, we helped in setting up the stall and also advertised the event by making posters.



Christmas Toy Appeal - As the holiday season was approaching, we decided to help the children who would be spending Christmas in hospital by launching a toy appeal. The wonderful families of MPA donated toys, books and other items that could be used as gifts for the Royal Berks Hospital Christmas party. We visited the hospital on the 19th December to deliver the gifts and meet the paediatric play team on the children ward. It was a great success and we hope to do the same again this Christmas.



Feb 2020

To support the gardening club, we decided to make and sell healthy snacks which we helped prepare with Mrs Dar. We used fresh ingredients and worked as a team to set up our "Snack Shack" to sell to our MPA families. Ms King sold some toys and games and we raised over £100 for the club so they can buy new resources to transform our garden area and grow lots of new plants, shrubs and veggies! We had so much fun and we look forward to running another similar event later in the year.

Events coming up.....

Friday 24th April - MPA School Disco. Tickets will be on sale during parents evening on Tues 17th & Weds 18th March and later on during the month. Cost is £4 and includes a light toy, snacks and a drink served by the school council. We will also be running competitions for the best dressed and best dancers. All money raised will go to the school to buy new resources for the children.



Friday 29th May - Skipping Competition. As a fun way to end the term, the school council have organised a school skipping competition to raise money for our local charity "New Beginnings" <https://www.newbeginningsreading.org/>. More details will follow but we hope you help us support this wonderful charity.