



MPA NEWS

Friday 29th September 2023



The children have been learning about the NSPCC "Speak out, Stay Safe" programme. Can your child remember the ChildLine number?!



Year 6 are looking for shoeboxes for their DT projects. If you have any to donate, please bring them into school



Ms Butler's Update

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another very busy and exciting week in school and the children are really getting into the swing of things now. I have seen some wonderful work in all areas, but I am particularly pleased with how well the children are doing with their reading and phonics. It is so important for them to practice reading at home, so please try to make sure that they have the opportunity to read daily even if it is only to their younger siblings!

We have also had a professional photographer with us this week who has been taking pictures so that we can update our prospectus and website. I am looking forward to being able to share these with you soon and I have no doubt that you will recognise a few people when you see them. On the matter of prospectus, we are shortly running our school visits for parents who may want to look at the school for their child in September. If you do know of any parents that might be looking for schools for next year then please urge them to consider Meadow Park as we want to serve as many of our community as possible.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Ms Butler

Please ensure you send your child in with appropriate clothing for the wet weather. Unless the rain is torrential, we still go outside for break and lunch play and it is always disappointing if children have to stay in because they have no coat.





Stars of the Week



Acorns A

Acorns B

Year 1 Apple

Year 1 Cherry

Year 2 Maple

Year 2 Willow

Year 3 Beech

Year 3 Sycamore

Isabelle E

Samuel M

Molly T

Madina G

Harry C

Macey P

Alicia C

Faith H

Year 4 Chestnut

Year 4 Elm

Year 5 Ash

Year 5 Holly

Year 6 Hazel

Year 6 Oak

Ollie B

Roseann W

Immanuel K

Archie A

Aydeen A

Laila T

Congratulations!

Attendance Award

1st - Sycamore 97.79%

2nd - Beech 97.78%

3rd - Hazel 96.1%

House Points

1st - Falcons

2nd - Eagles

3rd - Hawks

4th - Red Kites

Times Tables Rockstars

1st - Yusef Q

2nd - Elliot M

3rd - Amaya A

Ethos Awards

Y3 Huud A

Year 5 Harmony C

Year 5 Martin W

Year 5 Mia G

Year 6 Adona S



School Representatives

Congratulations to our new School Councillors



Class	Lead	Deputy
Year 3 Beech Year 3 Sycamore Year 4 Chestnut Year 4 Elm Year 5 Ash Year 5 Holly Year 6 Hazel Year 6 Oak	Isaiah BH Lucy S Amelia H Kaylum CC Emily S Loveai BT Zack A Daisy B	Grace L Adam A Tiana N Sebastian M Zoe T Levi R Leon J Thea C / Isabelle L



Congratulations to our Wellbeing Ambassadors

Year 6 Hazel	Rayan A Amelia C
Year 6 Oak	Syed AM Tiayana S



Don't forget to check our Twitter page for photos and school updates!

<https://twitter.com/MPATilehurst>.

BAKED
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Year 2 were very shocked to discover a beanstalk growing in the corridor!



Office Reminders

Reporting Absence

Please phone absence line and leave message with name of child, class and reason for absence or send text via Teachers2Parents.

Absence of more than 3 days will require medical proof – appointment card or prescribed medication in original packaging.

Medical appointments – you will need to inform school ahead of appointment and proof needs to be supplied.

Flu Vaccinations

These will take place in school on 13th October.

Please complete the online form (sent via email)

School Lunches

Please remember that school meals need to be ordered by the end of the day on Tuesday for the following week. Families entitled to Free School Meals still have to order through ParentPay.



Y6 Secondary School Applications

The deadline for applying for secondary schools for the current Year 6 is October 31st. This is an online application - please see email sent out from the office. If you miss the deadline of October 31st, you are unlikely to get your choice of school and this is distressing for the children. If you would like support in completing the application, please contact the school office and we will arrange for someone to help.

Cost of Living Support

Message from Reading Brighter Futures for Children

As part of the Council's Household Support Fund scheme this year, any Reading borough resident can now apply for support with the cost of living.

Priority will go to low-income households who are struggling financially. That primarily means those in receipt of low-income benefits or other related state benefits, and residents who are not in receipt of those benefits but have specific circumstances which have negatively impacted their overall cost of living, such as unexpected or increased expenditure.

To find out more about eligibility and what information you will need to provide, go to our Household Support Fund page, and if you wish to apply you can do so through the online application portal.

<https://www.reading.gov.uk/housing/money-matters/household-support-fund/>

Whether you are eligible or not, another reminder that our Money Matters web pages bring together useful advice and resources on coping with the cost-of-living crisis, from dealing with your housing and utility bills to looking after your welfare and mental health.

<https://www.reading.gov.uk/housing/money-matters/>

If you would like support in completing this application, please contact the school and we will arrange someone to help.

Diary Dates for Term 1 & 2



APOLOGIES FOR THE ERRORS LAST WEEK - THESE ARE THE CORRECT DATES FOR THE TERM:

Friday 13th October - Flu Vaccinations

Friday 20th October - Y6 Sharing Assembly

Friday 20th October - End of term (3.30pm)

Monday 30th October - Start of term for all children

Tuesday 7th November - Choir Performance at The Hexagon

Friday 10th November - Y5 Sharing Assembly

Friday 17th November - Children in Need

Monday 13th / Tuesday 14th November - Parent/Carer Meetings

Friday 1st December - Y3 Sharing Assembly

Thursday 7th December - Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

Mon 11th - Weds 13th December - EYFS/KS1 Performances

Thursday 14th December - Christmas Fair (to be confirmed)

Wednesday 20th December - End of term (1.30pm)

Wednesday 8th January - Start of term for all children