

**Summer Term Edition**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

	Comets	Hurricanes	Meteors	Spitfires
Final fortnight	81	85	60	70
Summer Term	623	666	637	713

## Message from the Head

I'd like to thank all our Meadowside families for their support, co-operation, patience and generosity over the past turbulent year. You have been, quite simply, AMAZING and our school community has thrived and flourished despite the many challenges we have faced. This year, you have all completed your teaching practice and I'm sure it's inspired so many of you to join the profession! It may also have reminded you how hard our staff team work every day, to give your children exciting learning opportunities. Most of all, we should all be proud of Meadowside children, who have risen to every challenge, conquered mountains, overcome disappointments and never given up! And now it's time for us all to rest and recharge – please stay healthy and enjoy summer safely!

## Meadowside Class News

### **Reception-**

Willow class have enjoyed their travelling adventures this term. We used our imaginations to go on a plane trip to America and we might also take a trip on a flying carpet before the end of the week. Who knows where we will end up. The world is an amazing place, and we are enjoying finding out about it.

This year has flown by, we have had fun and learnt lots. It has been a great start to their Meadowside journey. Willow class are growing up and are ready to move onto year one. Have a great summer holiday and give me a wave as you go past the Reception classroom on your way to year one next term.

### **Year 1-**

What a brilliant end to our topic we had last week with our shine day! All of the children had an amazing time playing in tents, toasting marshmallows, pond dipping and den building! Everyone looked brilliant all dressed up and thoroughly enjoyed the experience! We kicked off our week this week with our first ever sports day and all of the children should be commended for their fantastic efforts and their teamwork skills! We are now turning our attention to talking about what life will be like as a member of Year 2 and sharing our thoughts and questions ready for next year. Every member of Maple Class has truly made the most of their time in Year 1 this year and what a memorable year it has been! Wishing you all a lovely summer and we look forward to welcoming you back again in September!

## Class News Continued

### **Year 2-**

What a fortnight Year 2 have had! We had a thoroughly enjoyable holiday last week and lots of us said that that was our favourite bit of the whole topic! Thank you to all of you that put in the effort to make or put together the children's outfits- they looked great! A special thank you needs to go to Joe in Year 1's mum who let us borrow some of her tents and even put them up for us on Thursday morning! We really enjoyed hanging out in the **\*massive\*** tent, colouring!

To top it off- we even had sports day this week! Year 2 kicked off the whole event, by leading a Wake and Shake (as is now our tradition) and we fought hard to win at the relay and speed races. We showed good sportsmanship even when we didn't win. Our 4 activities- Skipping Race, Jumping Jacks Count, Ball Throw and Hurdles were thoroughly enjoyed by all. (We even got a few extra goes at the hurdles as it was our favourite!)

This week, we will get to learn who our new Year 3 team are and we will be doing some transition work in class to help make it a smooth move.

Thank you to everyone at home and at school for your efforts- be it in school or at home, we have all worked our socks off and deserve a well earned rest!! Thank you for all your support and have a lovely summer holiday.

### **Year 3-**

Wow! What a fantastic end to the school year. We have celebrated the end of our topic, What's the attraction, with a circus skills session, trying our best to juggle, use a diablo and plate spin! We also had a great time playing all the fantastic games that the children made for homework. Well done to all those who have worked so hard to create such imaginative and fun games. We have also created shadow puppets and written brilliant scripts to use to retell the story of Little Red Riding Hood.

As it is the end of the year, the children will have lots of their work to bring home, so please can we ask you to send in a strong bag to carry everything home in!

We have had a wonderful year in Year 3 and we wish you all a restful and fun summer break!

### **Year 4-**

As this unusual year draws to a close, the year four teaching team would like to thank you for your support and encouragement. We are very proud of the resilience, effort and learning that has taken place in year four and we have enjoyed working together and helping the children grow.

The activity day was a great success and it was wonderful to see the children challenge themselves during Sports' Day and shine with the wider Meadowside family.

It was a happy time on Thursday where children shared their topic projects in the courtyard. Thank you for supporting your child with a vast array of creative and colourful games.

We wish you well for the future and hope you enjoy time together over the Summer break.

## **Class News Continued**

### **Year 5-**

What a lovely couple of weeks we have had in year 5! We've talked a lot about how proud we are of the England mens' football team after they lost the final on Sunday. The children that have had to take part in remote learning have made us very proud and we really appreciate the support parents have shown at home. The Viking visit we had last week was incredible and year 5 enjoyed every moment. As our topic comes to a close, we are learning about Alfred the Great and his mission to unite the Saxon Kingdoms to create England, whilst keeping the Vikings at bay. In maths, we have been very successful with our work on angles. We have been estimating angles and measuring them using a protractor. Online Safety has been the focus in computing whilst in RE the children are looking at what makes a hero and villain. As this is the last edition of the academic year, we wanted to say how proud we are of the awesome year 5 children and we will miss them a lot. Fortunately, they are only next door so we will see them lots. It has been a pleasure.

### **Year 6-**

We have been enjoying making all of our final primary school memories and preparing for a production and a special assembly. We can't wait for you to see what we have been working on and we apologise in advance if we make you all cry! We have spent time reflecting on our time at Meadowside and sharing some of the best memories. We are in the midst of creating a special year book as a record of all of this. Excitingly, we each created a peg doll to be used in a sculpture that will be touring in October to the cathedral and Nature In Art. Look out for this as your child will have contributed to a work of art for [www.natasha-houseago.co.uk](http://www.natasha-houseago.co.uk).

After the disappointing football result on Sunday, we cheered ourselves up with a brilliant Sports Day. Everyone displayed their sporting values and loved being able to share time with the rest of the school. What a wonderful way to end our year. We hope you have the most fantastic summer break. Year 6- OVER AND OUT!

### **Sports Day**

Well done to all our amazing Meadowside Houses, the winner of sport day was the Comets!

## **Friends of Meadowside**

Dear Meadowside Family,

We've finally made it to the end of another very unusual school year, with none of our usual events taking place. This update is to thank you all for your ongoing support, we are always overwhelmed by the positive responses we get to events. Our final update is also a chance for us to say Good Luck and Best Wishes to all of our Year 6's who will be moving onto their next school adventure, we will miss you all and will hopefully see you all back again at some of our regular events next year.

We hope you have enjoyed the events we have been able to hold this year. As a reminder this was what the Meadowside Family achieved:

- September 2020 – Krispy Kreme Friday (£192 raised)
- October 2020 - @Home Bake Off (free event)
- November 2020 – Break the Rules Day (£440 raised)
- December 2020 – Advent Calendar Trail on Green Farm (£288 raised)
- May 2021 – Loose Change Challenge (£663 raised)
- June 2021 – Cake Trail on Green Farm (£279 raised)
- In addition to this we also have continued to raise money through the Clothes Bin, Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising.

As a reminder we are raising funds for the much needed replacements of the interactive whiteboards in the classrooms, which we hope to start being able to purchase soon.

Our AGM meeting, which is usually held in July, has been postponed until September so that we can all get together face to face. It will be held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September in the school hall. Our Chair will be leaving us at this meeting and we are currently recruiting for a replacement. Please see our separate communication about this, but if you are interested in the role, please contact us via our usual routes of Facebook or via email [friends@meadowsideprimary.co.uk](mailto:friends@meadowsideprimary.co.uk)

We hope you all have the most amazing Summer break!

Friends of Meadowside

### **INSET dates 21/22 (School shut for pupils)**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**\*Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022**

**\*Due to the platinum jubilee the last day of the summer term will now be**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

### **Dates for your diary**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July- 9:20am Leavers assembly In school**

**Return to school – 8 55a.m. Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September.**

**Don't forget to check the website**

**[www.meadowsideschool.co.uk/calendar](http://www.meadowsideschool.co.uk/calendar) for all key dates.**

**Date of next newsletter: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September**



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