



Reading Matters at Meadowside

Reading for Pleasure

The new reading framework introduced in June 2023 has a large focus on developing reading for pleasure. This is to encourage children to see reading as a pleasurable and worthwhile activity. To support they have made a list of six elements which are key to develop reading for pleasure at home and at school.

Being read to regularly

Having books at home and at school

Having a choice in what to read

Finding time to read

Having trusted help to find a book

Making reading FUN!

WORLD BOOK DAY
READ YOUR WAY!
UNLEASH YOUR READING SUPERPOWER...

- TAKE BOOKS HOME TO READ**
- LISTEN TO BOOKS BEING READ ALOUD (OR LISTEN TO AUDIOBOOKS)**
- CHOOSE THE BOOKS YOU WANT TO READ**
- ASK FOR IDEAS ON WHAT TO READ NEXT**
- MAKE TIME TO READ**
- FIND WAYS TO MAKE READING FUN!**

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March 2024

In 2024, our celebrations will encourage children to Read Your Way. Our focus will be non-fiction texts.

Children may come in dressed as a book character or someone or something from a non-fiction text i.e., teacher, cat, shark, car etc... They are welcome to bring in their favourite books to share with friends on the day. Use your £1 book voucher to buy one of these great books.



Help your child to read!

Put subtitles on the TV or tablet when they are watching their programmes.

Make bedtime stories part of a regular routine.

Visit the local library.

Have a book collection at home.

Reread familiar and favourite stories.

Share your favourite childhood stories.

Show your children that you read.

When walking read road signs, shop signs or look at notices in shop windows.

Use websites and programmes like YouTube, CBeebies and Oxford Owl to listen to stories or read eBooks together.

WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**
7 MARCH 2024

Online Safety

On Friday 2nd February we will be having externally led workshops and assemblies to tie in with Online Safety Day on Tuesday 6th February. Here are some helpful **SMART** rules along with a link <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>



BE SMART ONLINE



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SAFE

Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.



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MEET

Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on www.thinkuknow.co.uk

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ACCEPTING

Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.



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RELIABLE

You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.



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TELL

Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline – 0800 11 11 or www.childline.org.uk



BE SMART WITH A HEART

Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.



WWW.CHILDNET.COM

Packed Lunch

If you provide a packed lunch for your child, it should contain balanced, healthy choices for an active child. In support of our Healthy Schools Policy, we do not allow children to bring fizzy/energy/hydration drinks, sweets or chocolate. For safety reasons, glass bottles and cans are not allowed. Water is available at school, or children may bring their own water in a watertight container.

As some children that attend our school are allergic to nuts, which can be a life threatening condition, we actively promote the school to be "nut free" also. Please can you help us to protect these children by being vigilant when providing your child with packed lunch and when bringing any foods such as snacks or birthday sweets. Please can we ask that the following items are not to be brought into school:

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- Chocolate products that contain nuts and some chocolate spreads eg: Nutella.
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes made with nuts





Time to Celebrate



Girls Inter League Football



A new term and a new tournament! This term we are extremely pleased to finally get our girls football teams up and running. Meadowside Primary have two girls teams playing in the Kettering Town Inter School League. We have started incredibly well with both teams recording victories in the first two weeks. We wish them every success!



KS2 Inclusive Archery

Thursday 18th January saw pupils from Years 4 & 5 enter the Kettering schools archery competition, led by Robyn. Our superb archers came 2nd and were invited to take part in the regional finals, which take place in the summer term.

Well done everyone!

Mr Reilly



School Notices

Parent Consultation

Please see letter dated 25th January

Year R-6 Parent Consultations will take place w/c 12th February

Buttercups will take place w/c 4th March

Appointment times will become **live on Scopay at 6pm on 2nd February** and close 9th February at 12pm



Half Term Holiday Club

19th to the 23rd February

Including Teacher training day on Friday 16th February

8am to 5.30pm

Half days are available upon request to book a place please email

admin@meadowsideprimary.org

Year 6 Class of '24 Leavers Hoodies



****REMINDER****

Deadline for ordering personalised Year 6 Leavers hoodies is **31st January 2024**, please order via Scopay.

If you wish to use funds from your child's pupil premium bursary to purchase a personalised Class of 24 hoodie, please contact the office.

Reception Movie night

Deadline to order your child's ticket **1st February** via Scopay



Clothing Request



Buttercups, Reception, Year 1 and 2 classes are in need of spare clothing aged 3 - 7 years. In particular, jumpers, trousers, socks and underwear. If you have any clothing that you would be happy to donate please hand in to one of the teachers or School Office.



Useful links

[Meadowside School Uniform](#)



[Enrichment Clubs](#)




[Love Food Lunch Orders](#)



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Spring Term	
8.1.24	Phonics presentation – 6pm
24.1.24	KS2 SATS presentation – 6pm
26.1.24	Winter Art Gallery
4.2.24	Reception Movie Night
12.2.24	Parents Consultations (R-Year 6)
13.2.24	Parents Consultations (R-Year 6)
15.2.24	Parents Consultations (R-Year 6)
16.2.24	Training Day
19– 23.2.24 Half term	
WB 4.3.24	Creative Mission Religion and Worldviews
4.3.24	Buttercups Parent Consultations
7.3.24	Buttercups Parent Consultations
7.3.24	World Book Day
22.3.24	House Afternoon
27.3.24	Head Teacher Afternoon Tea
28.3.24 End of Spring term	

Summer Term	
26.4.24	Year 3 Assembly AM
WB 6.5.24	SATS
10.5.23	Year 1 Assembly AM
14.5.24	New Starters Welcome Evening
17.5.23	Year 5 Assembly AM
27.5.24–31.5.24 Half term	
3.6.24	Training Day
4.6.24	Training day
14.6.24	Year 4 Assembly AM
WB 17.6.24	Creative Mission Health Living
19.6.24	KS1 Sports Day - PM
20.6.24	KS2 Sports Day - PM
5.7.24	Year 2 Assembly AM
5.7.24	Reports go Home
8.7.24	Move up Day
8.7.24	Parents Open Classroom from 3.30pm
12.7.24	FS Assembly - AM
19.7.24	House Afternoon
23.7.24	Year 6 assembly PM
23.7.24 End of Summer term	