



Meir Heath Academy Newsletter

December 2017

Principal's Message

December - my favourite month in school!



We have so many fun activities planned and there is so much for the children to look forward to! Rehearsals are well underway for our Christmas carols and performances, and there is a real buzz of excitement within school.

We have planned for a Christmas Paddington theme, linked to the M&S advert from Y2 upwards and there are a number of miniature 'green suited, long eared' characters waiting to be discovered in YR and Y1. I can't wait to see the results!

PFA Mission for iPads in School

The PFA mission this year is to raise money for iPads, so that we can enhance our learning within the classroom through the use of educational apps and as a interactive learning resource. We will also be using them to keep parents, and the wider family of Meir Heath up to date, via Twitter; sharing the fabulous learning that takes place in school — we have so much fun and enthusiasm for learning and so much that takes place on a day to day basis that we want to share as much with you as we can.

So far the PFA have been extremely successful in raising £2000 to go towards the technology purchases from the fair as well as supporting other school projects such as Forest Schools and the Theatre Workshops—we are extremely grateful .

[Rocket Fund Project—Help us bring Meir Heath Magic to the digital world ...](#)

If you would like to find out more about the project then please visit: <https://spsr.me/ZAYw>

The school and PFA have worked together to launch the project 'Rocket Fund' and through this fundraising scheme we have exceeded the set target for the project of £1,472.25 (enough for 8 tablets) and actually made a record in being the quickest school to raise the target funds.

Thank you to all of the following members of the Meir Heath Family who have already donated to the Rocket Fund Project: Andy Reed, Suzanne Durrani, Shaun Taylor (Trentham Bed Warehouse), Scott Evans, Melissa Brown, Samantha Bloor, Jake Bonell, Aaron Bonell, Natalie Martin, Jacqui Baxter, Tracey Thake, Mason Moore, Jane Basnett, Vicky Beech, Tracey Mathers, Sarah Swift.

The project is still live and the fund is still increasing, so the more money raised, the more tablets we can purchase for use in school. There is still time to donate as the project runs until the 13th December .



Meir Heath Family would like to thank **The Barrs Family** for their generous donation of £180 to the Rocket Fund Project.

The Taylor Family

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Meir Heath Family would like to thank

Target Windows for their generous donation of £360 to the Rocket Fund Project.



KS1 Christmas Performances

Reception have been busy practising 'Prickly Hay' and will be performing on Tuesday 5th at 2pm

Please note that the doors will be open at 1:45pm (due to lunchtime arrangements)

Year One have been busy practising 'Baubles— A Tree—mendous Nativity' and will be performing on Wednesday 6th at 2:30pm

Please note that the doors will be open at 2pm

Year Two have been busy practising 'It's Chri-i-istmas!!' and will be performing on Thursday 7th at 6pm

Children will be required to be in their classrooms at 5:30pm so that we can make a prompt start at 6pm

Children who are performing, along with their brothers and sisters will be allowed to go home after the performance. For safeguarding purposes, if your child will be going home with another family member after they have performed, then please let your child's class teacher know in advance.

Please remember to bring your purchased tickets with you. Thank you

Class Christmas Parties

KS1—14th December

KS2—15th December

For these days children can come into school in their party clothes.

In the afternoon children will be taking part in traditional party games .

We will not be requiring parents to send in party food as the school will be providing a drink and a small party snack.



Christmas Lunch

KS1 children will already be in their party clothes for their party in the afternoon.

KS2 children can wear a 'little bit' of Christmas—a Christmas hat, headband, tinsel etc

Christmas lunch Payment—a gentle reminder that the final payment for this will be this Friday 8th December.

Y6 Christmas Assembly

"Having Fun at Christmas" - comedy sketches

Y6 parents welcome 9:10am Tuesday 19th



KS2 Carols — Monday 18th December

Gates will be open for parents to join us on the KS2 playground from 2:55pm

The PFA will be selling festive refreshments in the school hall from 2:30pm. If you can join us then please come into school via the main office.

Parents, please bring your best singing voices as we would like to join in with the singing. We will be providing song sheets for you.

We will then be releasing the children at the end of the school day in the usual way.



Don't forget that you can FOLLOW US on Twitter to check out our latest learning opportunities and celebrations

Follow us @MHeathAcademy



Meir Heath Academy Sports News

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Tri' Schools friendly

Well done to those who played against St. Peters and William Amory.

We finished in second place overall.

It was a great night and thank you to the parents for your support.

Sports Council

Our 8 members from Year 6 will be meeting to discuss future inter house competitions. Watch this space!



Sportshall Athletics Competition

After weeks of training, the children who attended the Indoor athletics club competed against each other in a series of events. Five ex-student volunteers helped officiate and followed the School Games format. Most children beat their personal bests in many of the events.

Well done to everyone and a special mention to our medallists!

Gold = Ryan Williams and Lily Goodfellow

Silver = Gino Orlando and Isla Bond

Bronze = Jacob Day, Jack Stephenson and Ava James

Intra School (Inter House Dodgeball

Our Year 5 and Year 6 have competed for their house team in the sport of dodgeball.

Year 5 winners = Fleming

Year 6 winners = Baird and Berners-Lee



St Bart's Football Tournament at Dimensions Leisure Centre

On a cold and rainy day, the children showed determination and commitment during their football matches.

All three teams played very well and scored plenty of goals.

Out of twelve teams, in their league, the Year 6 boys team finished in the top two!

