



Meir Heath Academy Newsletter

February 2018

Principal's Message

I am so proud of all of our wonderful Meir Heath children. Taking them out of school to visit the theatre was an absolute pleasure. They were beautifully behaved (even dressed as pirates!), and the New Vic staff, as well as our school staff and volunteers commented on how polite and respectful they are to adults and one another.

As I walk round the school and into classes, I am always greeted with beautiful manners; many of our children hold doors open for adults and greet them with a 'good morning' or 'good afternoon'. Children are calm and hard working in classes when completing individual tasks or buzzing with excitement if investigating or problem solving.

Mr Brislen and Mr Hunt, CEO and Deputy CEO of St Bart's MAT, visited our school in January and conducted their termly 'Effectiveness Visit' and they were suitably impressed with the great work of the staff and children. Well done Team Meir Heath!



Tuesday 13th February 2018 Pancake Day Menu

Choose a main meal
Local sausages, Creamy Mash & Gravy
or
Staffordshire Oatcakes
with Cheese (v)

On the side
Fresh Carrots
Beans

Desserts
Pancake topped with Ice-Cream
and Fresh Fruit Sauce

or
Cooks Homemade Traybake

More information to follow



Wednesday 14th February 2018 Friendship Day Menu

Choose a main meal
Roast Chicken
or
Cheese and Sweetcorn Quiche (v)

On the side
Mash Potato
Broccoli

Desserts
Crunchy Biscuit

More information to follow

Menu Dates for next month: 1st March 2018 World Book Day Menu, and 12th March Mother's Day Menu (Y6 Mums or Grandmas welcome —1 adult per child) More information to follow.

Thank you to our Meir Heath Family

Collectively we raised

£389.74

for the Poppy Appeal 2017

Registered Charity No 219279



Healthy Break Time Snacks

If you are sending your child to school with a break time snack, then please may I politely request that this is a healthy snack such as a piece of fruit or vegetable sticks. If using a plastic food box, then please ensure that it is labelled in case it gets left on the playground and then it can be returned to you.

Please note that the school provides KS1 children with a healthy fruit snack for the afternoon break.

World Book Week 2018

World Book Week will take place on the first week after half term, week commencing **26th February 2018**. This year the whole school theme will be built around the book, 'Journey' by Aaron Becker. As always, we have designed a fun packed week to celebrate our love of reading!

World Book Week Activities				
Monday 26 th February	Tuesday 27 th February	Wednesday 28 th February	Thursday 1 st March	Friday 2 nd March
Tales that Forgot Time and iRead Launch 2018	Teacher will swap classes and read to a different class	D.E.A.R 3pm	Dress Up Day - dress up in your chosen book character World Book Day Menu	Around the World in 80 Days Exhibition (Share Half Term Project 3.15pm onwards in the school hall)

Monday 26th February To launch Book Week this year, I am delighted to announce that we have 'Take a Hint Theatre Company' performing 'Tales that Time Forgot'. To find out more please visit: <https://www.takeahint.org.uk/tales>

iRead Special

Please support our online reading magazine *iRead* written by our Year Six children. Edition 6 will be launched today focusing on World Book Week! Go to the school website, click on 'Curriculum' and then 'English' to find out more or follow the link on Twitter! It will include puzzles; games; jokes; teacher interviews and a special World Book Day feature so please share your child's feedback on Twitter.

Wednesday 28th February – D.E.A.R

Families are welcome to join us from 3pm to share a story with their child/ children and promote the love of reading! Please go to your eldest child's classroom and collect siblings along the way.

Thursday 1st March – World Book Day Dress up Day!

Dress up day is linked to a theme or character from one of your favourite books! We are looking forward to seeing a wide variety of different characters this year!

February Half Term Project 'Around the World in 80 days' and Exhibition on Friday 2nd March 3:15pm

We would like you to design a piece of art related to our whole school text 'Journey'. We have therefore chosen the theme of our exhibition to be 'Around the world in 80 Days'! We have kept the task open so that you can choose to create a masterpiece of any style linked to a country of your choice or you may even choose to design and make a hot air balloon—anything goes, so be creative as you like! We hope that you enjoy working together (as this can be a family project) on a final product to share with us on Friday 2nd March at our exhibition.

So that we can celebrate your child's talents, please ensure that your child's name is clearly labelled. Please send in your artwork on the morning of **Friday 2nd March and then join us to view our exhibition in the school hall from 3:15pm if you can.**

We will also be completing many more reading activities and lessons within our classrooms so please check the school's Twitter page to see what we have been up to!

We all look forward to another exciting and fun packed Book Week at Meir Heath.

In anticipation of your support, may I take the opportunity to thank you for helping us to make Book Week a great success.



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

Follow us @MHeathAcademy



2018/2019 term dates are now available on our website.



Meir Heath Academy Sports News

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KS2 children, who have attended Mr Wilkinson's and Mrs Taylor's after school dance clubs, are looking forward to performing to their Meir Heath Family Audience. They will share their routines with children on the afternoon of the 16th February within school time. The afterschool show will take place on the 15th February at 6.30pm.

(Please note that there will be a charge of £2 per ticket payable on ParentPay or PayPoint).

Table Tennis

Our annual Intra School Table Tennis competition took place just before the Christmas holidays.

Well done to the 25 children from Year 5/6 who took part with such a positive attitude.

The results

Winning House Teams

Year 5 = Mitchell House

Year 6 = Fleming House

Overall winning players

Year 5 = Freddie Rushton

Year 6 = Gino Orlando

A big thank you to Joshua Bridgeman, Tilly Wagg and ex-student Max Povey for their umpiring skills.



Just to say...

We have one of our 20 second 'figure of 8' challenges on the #SGChallenge and the School Games twitter feeds and it has been viewed 533 times!



Dodgeball

Well done to the three teams who competed at the St Bart's Trust Dodgeball Tournament.

All the teams reached the quarter finals, two teams went through to the semi-finals and the Year 5 team was just beaten in the final.

