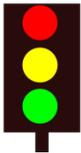


Message from the Senior Management Team

Dear Parents,

By now, most of you will have had your child, parent & teacher meetings, during which your child's targets and progress will have been discussed with the class teacher. This process is useful in helping us to set some form of 'benchmark' against which we measure progress throughout the rest of the year.



Once a full academic year is complete, yearly progress is measured against a national standard, which requires each child to receive a judgement of 'Meeting' or 'Expected' (the language is inter-changeable). Children working at Greater Depth receive a judgement of 'Exceeding' or 'Above' (again, the language is inter-changeable), while children not yet meeting these standards receive a judgement of 'Working Towards' or 'Below'. These judgements are visibly graded with a 'traffic-light' system, where red means 'Target', and yellow, green and blue are represented as colour-coded above. Throughout the year, you will undoubtedly see these colours in homework books, in your child's work books and on tracking and reporting documents. Understanding what these mean early in the year allows you to engage with your child's journey in a more meaningful way and will also allow you to discuss this system with your child, as they are likely to reference it too.

Should you wish to know more about our tracking system at Meadowbrook, please ask your child's class teacher, who will be able to offer you an informal briefing.

For those of you interested in learning more about this process, a formal presentation will be offered in the Spring. Please try to attend our 'Tracking, Assessment & Reporting' parent education evening, as it will also explain our reporting process.



Christmas Time For Your Diary!

Believe it or not, Christmas plans are already well underway in school and after Celebration of Age this week, we will be focusing our efforts on the Christmas season.

Attached with this issue is the Christmas newsletter, which outlines all the upcoming events and activities over the Christmas period. Please put these dates in your diary and we'll see you there!

Celebration of Age

Our annual Celebration of Age event welcomes grandparents and other members of our community to an afternoon of songs & poems served with tea and biscuits. *Please remember smart winter uniform (cords and kilts) for the event.*

Please inform your class teacher if your child is going home with someone else or is not attending a pre-booked after-school club.

Online & Social-Media Safety

As you are all aware, the School has spent much time this term teaching children about all aspects of staying safe at school. Online-safety and staying safe while using social-media channels remains a constant area of discussion with our children.

Vodafone currently run a scheme called 'Digital Parenting', which provides different ways for you to cover this topic, with age-appropriate tasks. To find out more about this scheme, please visit: vodafone.com/content/digital-parenting/schools

COMING UP:

Celebration of Age

Wednesday, 7th November
2.30pm-3.30pm
Smart winter uniform please!

Street Dance Club

Thursday, 7th November & 29th November only
This club will finish at 5pm on the above dates in order to fit in the required number of sessions this term.

Yr 3&4 Hampton Court Trip

Monday, 12th November
Information will be in your child's pocket today. Please speak to Pia should you need more details.

School Uniform Shop

The school uniform shop opens on Monday, 19th November. Please go to the school website to place your order or speak to Joy for further information.

Introduction to Positive Discipline

Parent Workshop

Saturday, 10th November
For more information, please contact Serena Gunn at serenagunn@meadowbrook.uk



Wellies and Clothes

As we near more inclement weather, we ask that you remember to provide your child with wellies for outdoor play and a change of leggings or trackies should they get muddy at play.
Thank you.

Barbara & Sarah