## The Mead Infant and Nursery School

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Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome back to the new school year, I hope that you all have had a lovely summer break. It has been lovely to see the children returning to school this week so happy and confident and eager to share all their news from the holidays. They have been so resilient and have adjusted very well to the changes such as eating their lunch together in the Hall and attending assemblies. We are very proud of them all.

I would like to welcome all of our new staff, new children and families who have joined the Mead family. We are really looking forward to getting to know you and your children. If you have any questions or you are unsure about anything please do not hesitate to ask, we are always happy to help

We are really looking forward to the year ahead and these are some of the things that we will be focusing on:

- We will be ensuring that our curriculum continues to be engaging, stimulating and inclusive
- We will be continuing to embed the school's well-being policy to enable all members at The Mead to flourish in every aspect of learning
- We will be raising the profile of reading for pleasure and embedding reading across all subjects, including the teaching of reading skills through whole class shared reading
- Revisiting our learning behaviours to ensure that the children understand what an effective learner is and are able to articulate this
- Implementing a new phonics and PE scheme to support the teaching and learning of these subjects
- We are planning to improve the physical opportunities for our children in the playground next to Auriol by installing as trim trail and climbing wall

### **Upcoming Year Group Parent Meetings**

This is an informal meeting where the Teachers will share information about general routines and the curriculum in your child's year group. We have decided to keep these meetings virtual for year 1 and 2 as in previous years parents have not be able to attend due to work commitments. The meetings for Reception and Nursery parents will take place in the School Hall. The meetings will last for approximately half an hour and we are hoping that as many parents as possible will be able to attend.

Rock hoppers Penguins- Monday October 4<sup>th</sup> at 9.00 Emperor Penguins- Monday October 4<sup>th</sup> at 2.00 Year R -Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 2:00pm Year 1 -Tuesday 21st September at 2:15pm (via zoom)









#### Year 2 -Wednesday 22nd September at 2:15pm (via zoom)

We do appreciate that it may not be possible for all of you to attend so we will make sure that the presentation is put on the website for you to read afterwards.

Please see attached details of other upcoming events.

#### **Reminders**

School Uniform

It has been lovely to see all of the children looking so smart in their school uniform. If your child is wearing trainers to school they must be all black including any logo, this also applies to when they are wearing their PE kit. I have attached a school uniform list just as a reminder. We are still seeing lots of children wearing earrings – please remove these before coming to school as they do pose as health and safety risk to you child.

#### Parent Volunteers.

We are looking forward to welcoming parent volunteers back into school. If this is something that you are interested in doing and finding out more about, we will be holding a meeting on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September at the school at 9.00

#### Making contact.

Teachers are usually available at the end of the day for you to ask them any questions but please wait until they have made sure that all of their children have been handed over safely to their parents and carers first. They are also happy to meet with you at a mutually convenient time if you need a longer opportunity to talk with them or give you a call if you are unable to see them at school. You can also email your teacher via the class email. Attached is our email protocol with a reminder of all class emails.

Mrs Bedford (my Deputy Head and SEND Leader) and I are usually out in the playground before and after school, but if you need to make an appointment to see us, please do this through the school office by email or telephone and we will try our best to see you as soon as possible. We are always happy to meet with you and work together to resolve any issues.

I look forward to working in partnership with you all again this year to provide the best education we can for the children.

Kindest regards

Mrs Creasey

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#### **Upcoming Events**

Tuesday 21st September	Year 1 Parent Welcome Meeting	Zoom Meeting ( details to follow)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Year 2 Parent Welcome Meeting	Zoom Meeting (details to follow)
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Reception Parent Welcome Meeting	2.00- Hall
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Parent Volunteer Meeting	9:05 am- Staff Room
October 4 <sup>th</sup>	Rock Hopper Welcome meeting	9.05- Hall
	Emperor Welcome meeting	2.00pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Year R parent's workshop	9.05am – Hall (further information to follow)
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 1 parent's workshop	9:05am- Hall (further information to follow)
Thursday 21st October	Break for half term	
Monday 1 <sup>ST</sup> November	Year R Parents Maths Workshop	9.05 - Hall
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 1 Parents Maths Workshop	9.05 - Hall
Week beginning Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent consultations – virtual – further details will follow	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Drop in for year 2 parents to see classrooms and look at work with children	2.30-3.00 (further information to follow)
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Drop in for year 1 parents to see classrooms and look at work with children	8.30-9.00 (further information to follow)









Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Drop in for year 2 parents to see classrooms and look at work with children  Drop in for year 1 parents to see classrooms and look at work	8.30-9.00 (further information to follow)
	with children	2.30-2.50 (further information to follow)
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual School Photos	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual School Photos	
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Nasal Flu vaccinations for children	

Please keep a look out on "Coming Up Next Week" for further events specific to the year groups.