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.

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 officially joining the Bourne Academy Trust (BET) on November 1st. These are some of the things that we will be focusing on this year:

- Ensuring safeguarding continues to be effective
- We will be ensuring that our curriculum continues to maximise the outcomes and learning experiences for all of children
- 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
- Embedding our new phonics and PE scheme to support the teaching and learning of these subjects
- Revisiting our behaviour policy to ensure that it reflects current research
- Continuing to work collaboratively with Auriol to create a "Primary Community"
- Ensure that good standards of attendance and punctuality are maintained in line with new DFE expectations
- Reviewing equality, diversity and inclusion to ensure that it is at the front and centre to all of our thinking, actions and planning

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.

Year R - Tuesday 20th September at 9.00

Year 1 - Thursday 22nd September at 2:00pm (via zoom)

Year 2 - Wednesday 21stSeptember at 2:00 pm (via zoom)

Nursery - Monday 26th September at 9.05

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

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. Please see our school website for a list of uniform if you are unsure. 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.

PE Days

Children will need to come to school in their PE kits on PE days. During the colder months, children can wear grey tracksuit bottoms. Staff will also be wearing sports kits on the days they teach PE Reception will not need to do this just yet; your teachers will let you know in the coming up next week when this will start.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hedgehogs	Monkeys	Squirrels	Bears	Leopards
Bears		Reception	Badgers	Monkeys
			Leopards	Badgers
				Squirrels
				Hedgehogs

Drop off and Pick Up Times

If you have siblings please drop your Reception children off first.

To ease congestion there is a one way system into the Nursery and Reception pick up and drop off area. The blue gate into the Nursery outdoor classroom will be entry only and parents are expected to leave via the gate next to footpath.

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Year	Drop Off	Location	Pick Up	Location
Group/Class				
Rock Hoppers	9.00	Cudas Close side of	12.00	Cuddington Avenue
		the school (Nursery		side of school
		outdoor classroom)		
Emperors	9.00	Cudas Close side of	3.00	Cudas Close side of
		the school(Nursery		the school(Nursery
		outdoor classroom)		outdoor classroom
Reception	8.50	Cudas Close side of	2.50	Cudas Close side of
		the school(Nursery		the school(Nursery
		outdoor classroom)		outdoor classroom)
Year 1	Between	Year 1 classroom	2.50	Year 1 class room
	8.50 and	doors accessed by		doors accessed by
	9.00	the black gate next		the black gate next
		to the field		to the field
Year 2	Between	Doors by the	3.00	Circles in the
	8.50 and	school mosaic		playground- please
	9.00			wait behind the
				green fence in the
				main playground

Please note that the school gates will be locked at 9.10 and 3.10. If you arrive late to the school, please take your child to the school office, which is accessed via Cuddington Avenue during the school day.

Scooters and Bikes

We love to see children scooting or cycling to school but please remember that once they are in the playground they must not cycle or scoot. The bike and scooter racks are behind the school near the year 1 classrooms.

Parking

Please remember that parking is not permitted on Cudas Close or Cuddington Avenue during drop off and pick up times. Please help us keep our children safe.









Parent Volunteers.

We are looking forward to welcoming parent volunteers 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 29th September at the school at 9.00** We do value our parent support but our policy is that parents do not volunteer in their child's own classes, so do please consider this when deciding whether you would like to volunteer at the school.

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 out in the playground before and after school when we can be, 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 shall be sending further communication tomorrow with dates for events for the term, which are shared with Auriol. All dates will be published on our calendar on our school website

I appreciate that there is lots of information to remember, but we are always happy to help, so please just ask us if you are not sure.

Kindest regards Mrs Creasey

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 20 th September	Year R Parent Welcome	9.00 School Hall
	Meeting	
Wednesday 21 st September	Year 2 Parent Welcome	2.00 Zoom Meeting (details to
	Meeting	follow)
Thursday 22 nd September	Year 1 Parent Welcome Meeting	2.00- Zoom Meeting (details to
		follow)
Monday 26 th September	Nursery Welcome Meeting	9.05 School Hall

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Thursday 29 th September	Parent Volunteer Meeting	9:05 am- Staff Room
Monday 3 rd October	Year R parents workshop	9.00- Hall
	Phonics/ reading	
Monday 10 th October	Year 1 parent's workshop	9.00am – Hall (further
	Phonics/ reading	information to follow)
Week beginning Monday 17 th October	Parent consultations	Virtual – further details will follow
Tuesday 18 th October and Wednesday 19 th October	Individual Class photos	
Friday 21 st October	Break for half term	
Monday 7 th November	Year R Parent Maths Workshop	9.00 - Hall
Tuesday 8 th November	Year 1 Drop in for parents to see classrooms look at work with children	8.40-9.00
	Year 2 Drop in for parents to see classrooms look at work with children	2.40-3.00
Wednesday 9 th November	Year 2 Drop in for parents to see classrooms look at work with children	8.40-9.00
	Year 1 Drop in for parents to see classrooms look at work with children	2.40-3.00
Monday 14 th November	Year 1 Parent Maths Workshop	9.00 - Hall









Tuesday 22 nd November	Nasal Flu vaccinations for children	
Tuesday 6 th December	Rock hopper Penguin Christmas Show	9.30
Wednesday 7 th December	Emperor Penguin Christmas Show	9.30
Thursday 8 th December	Reception Christmas Show	9.30
Friday 9 th December	Reception Christmas Show	9.30
Tuesday 13 th December	Year 1 Christmas Show	9.15
	Year 2 Christmas Show	10.15
Wednesday 14 th December	Year 2 Christmas Show	9.15
	Year 1 Christmas Show	10.15
Friday 16 th December	End of term- no early finish	
Tuesday 3 rd January	Term starts and all children return	

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