

NEWS

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Welcome

Dear Parents, Carers, and Pupils,

It has been a jam packed half term! The children have worked extremely hard in lots of areas and have really embraced new experiences and opportunities.

One of the standout experiences was The Fun Food Chef. The children thoroughly enjoyed preparing, cooking and tasting new food.

Another highlight was the support both Year 4 classes received during their class assemblies - thank you for coming.

Please can parents/Carers ensure that school dinners are ordered in advance using the Arbor app. The new menu can be found in this newsletter.

We also encourage you to take some time to read through the newsletter, where you will find key highlights, as well as useful information about local services and advice for parents/Carers.

As we finish for the Easter, I hope you all have a peaceful and enjoyable break. Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Newsham

DIARY DATES

Monday 13th April: School re-opens

22nd & 23rd April: Parents evening

4th May: School closed for May day bank holiday

7th May: School closed for polling day

WC 11th May: Year 6 KS2 SATs

WC 18th May: Behaviour treat one day this week

19th May: Year 5 trip to Blackpool zoo

20th May: Year 4 trip to Brockholes

22nd May School closes for May half term at 3:30



Glow in the dark sports



Behaviour Treat

High aspirations, Bright futures
The children had a great time during our behaviour treat, bouncy castle dodge ball! It was a great way to reward the children for being Meadowhead heroes and always being ready to learn. The next one will come around quickly and its a brand new one!

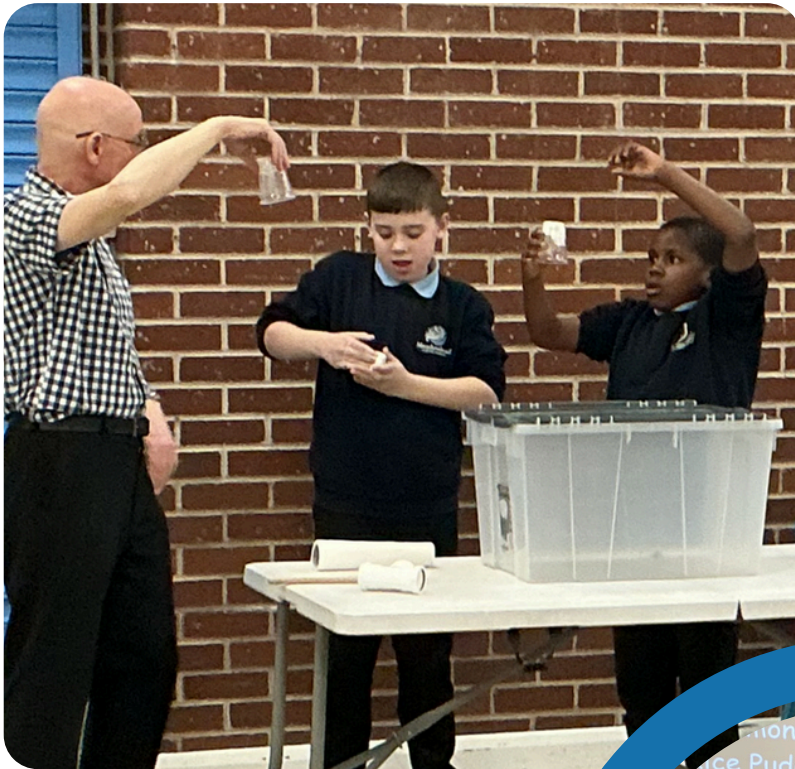
Meadowhead Heroes

- BE SAFE (Icon: group of people)
- BE READY (Icon: red light and arrow)
- BE YOU (Icon: stick figures)
- RESPECTFUL (Icon: person with hands clasped)

A cartoon superhero character with a red mask, orange shirt with a yellow star, and a red cape with blue stars.

A recap in photos!

High aspirations, Bright futures
The Fun Food chef, class assemblies, the travelling science man, the library bus, World Book Day and much more! It has been a very busy half





Please choose your children's dinners
on the Arbor app.



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Summer Term 1

13th April - 22nd May 2026



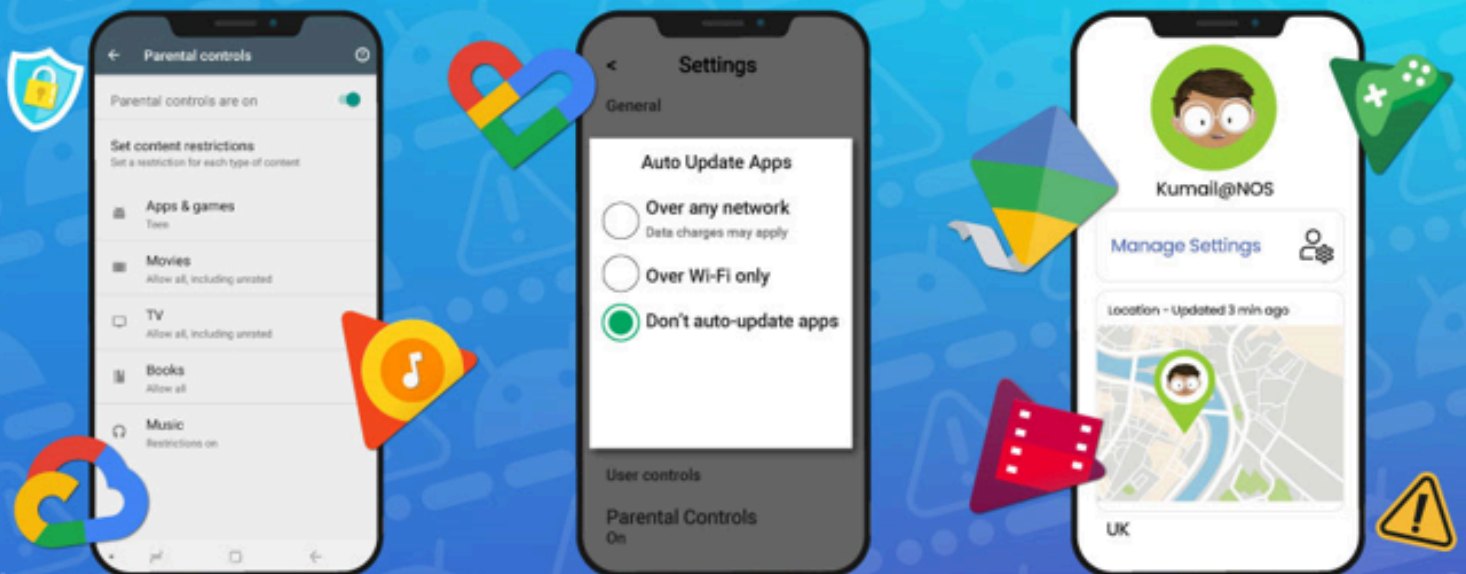
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Cheese/Ham/Egg/Tuna Sandwiches available everyday	Cheese/Ham/Egg/Tuna Sandwiches available everyday	Cheese/Ham/Egg/Tuna Sandwiches available everyday	Cheese/Ham/Egg/Tuna Sandwiches available everyday	Cheese/Ham/Egg/Tuna Sandwiches available everyday
Week 1	Cottage Pie, Carrots/ Peas or Tomato Pasta	Chicken Balti Curry & Rice or Jacket Potato - Cheese & Beans or Tuna	Egg & Bacon Flan or Vegetable Flan Salad Potatoes & mixed veg	Lentil Soup & Sandwich	Hot Dogs or Pizza Chips, Beans
Week 2	Filled Yorkshire Pudding, Mash & Veg or Macaroni Cheese	Chicken Tikka Curry & Rice or Jacket Potato - Cheese & Beans or Tuna	Lasagna or Veg Ravioli Garlic Bread	Tomato Soup & Sandwich	Sausage Roll or Fish Fingers Wedges, Beans/Peas
Week 3	Chilli & Rice or Tomato & Tuna Pasta	Chicken Korma Curry & Rice or Jacket Potato - Cheese & Beans or Tuna	Roast Chicken Dinner or Omelette	Veg Soup & Sandwich	Cheeseburger or Fish Burger Chips & Beans

Please note that all foods served on our menu may contain some or all of the 14 allergens which are: Fish, Crustaceans, Mollusc, Nuts, Peanuts, Eggs, Milk, Soya, Lupins, Sesame seeds, Celerey, Mustards, Cereals containing Gluten & Sulphur Dioxide.
For allergy information, please speak to our Catering Manager.
Meals can be subject to change.
All vegetarian options are also Halal.



How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS Android Phone

On Android phones, restricting access to particular apps usually requires going onto Google Play. From there, it's fairly easy to navigate your way through the settings to manage the parental controls and authentications relating to any apps on the device. These features can prevent your child from downloading or buying anything unsuitable for their age. Updated versions of apps or games that your child has already installed may occasionally contain something inappropriate, so we've explained how to stop those, too.



How to Block App Downloads (This Also Disables In-app Purchases):

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Scroll down to the Family section and tap Parental controls
- 5 Toggle 'Parental controls are off' to 'Parental controls are on'
- 6 Create a PIN and tap OK
- 7 Confirm your PIN and tap OK again
- 8 Tap Apps & Games
- 9 Set the age limit you wish to set **18+**
- 10 Tap Save to apply your changes

How to Stop Auto-updates

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Tap Auto-Update Apps
- 5 Select 'Don't auto-update apps' and then tap Done

Restricting Apps Through Google Family Link

- 1 Open Google Play Family Link for parents
- 2 Tap the three horizontal lines in the top left
- 3 Select your child's account
- 4 Tap Manage
- 5 Tap Controls on Google Play
- 6 Tap Apps & Games
- 7 Select the age limit you wish to set **18+**



Uniform

I would like to thank you all for sending your children into school wearing the correct uniform. Children look smart, wearing the correct items and are ready to learn. Maintaining the high uniform standards is an important aspect of school life, and is crucial in creating a positive and conducive learning environment for all our students. Your assistance in upholding these standards is greatly appreciated.

If any families require support in purchasing school uniform items, please do not hesitate to reach out to the school office. We are here to assist and ensure that every child has access to the necessary uniform pieces.

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation and support in this matter. Together, we can continue to uphold the values and standards that make Meadowhead Junior School a place where every child can thrive and succeed.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the school uniform policy, please feel free to contact the school office.

Children should wear black shoes or trainers for school.



Updates- Attendance

Firstly, I would like to express my gratitude to the vast majority of parents who consistently prioritise their child's education by ensuring their regular attendance at Meadowhead Junior School. Your commitment to their education is commendable, and I would like to thank you for your continued support in this matter. By attending school as much as possible, you are playing a vital role in your child's academic progress and overall development. **School opens at 8:40!**

I would like to remind all parents that holiday leave requests must be submitted in advance of the leave date. Please be aware that if the number of unauthorised absences exceeds the specified limit, penalty notices will be issued following the absence. It is crucial that we work together to prioritise your child's education and minimise any disruptions to their learning journey.

Once again, I would like to express my gratitude to those parents who consistently prioritise their child's education and support our efforts to maintain a positive and productive learning environment. By working together, we can ensure that every child at Meadowhead Junior School receives the education they deserve.

**Its good to be on time!
School opens at 8:40**



**Did you know? Late marks will be given
and poor punctuality could generate a penalty notice?**



Dogs and Parking

A gentle reminder that sadly we cannot allow any dogs (regardless of size or age) on the school premises. This is both on the playground and around the school building.



PARKING

We would like to extend our gratitude to all those who consistently follow our unofficial one-way system during school drop-off and pick-up times. By adhering to this system, we help maintain a safe, calm, and orderly process for everyone.

Key Reminders:

- Please use Anglesey Street to enter, following the directional arrows as shown on the diagram.
- Livesey Branch Road serves as the primary approach route.
- Exiting should occur via Shorrock Lane to avoid congestion.
- Remember, the section marked with the red symbol is a no entry point, and we ask that everyone respect this.

Thank you again for your cooperation and understanding. Your efforts help create a smoother, safer experience for all involved.

