



Meadlands Primary School



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Our current school value is Initiative:



Date	Event	Applicable to
13.6.26	Ham Fair on Ham Common	All welcome
16.6.26	Salsa Making in School	Year 4
18.6.26	Kingston Mosque Trip	Year 4
19.6.26	Year 3 Football Competition at Holy Trinity	Selected
19.6.26	Family Day Assembly 2 – 3.30	All
22/30.6.26	Sports Week	All
23.6.26	Football Competition at Rocks Lane	Selected Yr 5
23.6.26	Walton Firs Parent Presentation	Year 5
25.6.26	Spelling Bee	KS1
26.6.26	Richmond Synagogue Trip	Year 3
26.6.26	Parent Book Look	All

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Headteacher's Update



Dear Parents and Carers,

We must start this week by congratulating Mrs Barson and her husband on the birth of baby Sid last Friday 5th June. We can't wait for his first visit to Meadlands to meet his extended family! Thank you for all the well wishes – we have passed them on.

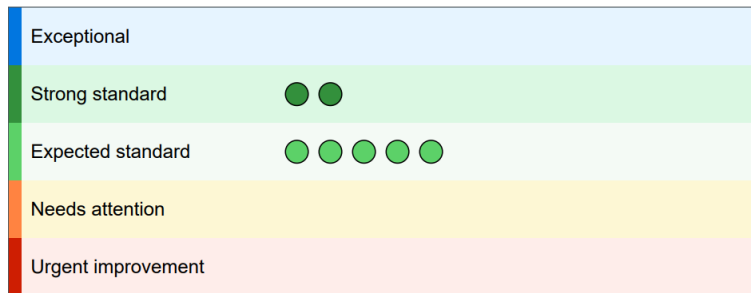


A huge thank you to Emma Dowsett and the Meadlands Gardening team who spent their Saturday transforming our allotments. Just look at the before and after pictures. They have done an amazing job and we are most grateful for their time and energy. The allotments look great now, ready for the summer.



Earlier this week, I sent a ParentMail regarding consultation about changes to our school uniform. Thank you to all of you who have taken the time to fill in the survey. We really want to get this right so thank you for your opinions. Thanks also to our governors for their support with this. We'll be in touch soon regarding the outcome.

In other news, our latest [Ofsted report](#) has officially been published, and it is now available to view on our school website. We are absolutely delighted to share that the school achieved a strong standard for both achievement and personal development and wellbeing. These outcomes reflect the very core of what Meadlands stands for, perfectly mirroring our school motto: **Work Hard and Be Kind.**



This fantastic result is the direct outcome of incredible dedication from every single child, the tireless efforts of our amazing staff team, and, of course, the unwavering support of you, our wonderful parents. This is an achievement we all share. Let's **all** take a bow!

Finally, I couldn't resist sharing a picture of one of my favourite annual lessons – the Year 6 breadmaking. Once again, the school corridors were filled with delicious aromas and the bread looked amazing.



Have a brilliant weekend,

Mrs Wreford

Need support with home life?
Unsure how to handle a
situation with your child or
navigate changes in your
family life? We're here to help.



FAMILY SUPPORT DROP-IN

29th June 9am to 11am

To book a 20 minute appointment email
Cacherel - cjules@darell.richmond.sch.uk
or speak to the school office.



School Success and Celebrations

Achievement Certificate Winners:

Well done to the following children for being awarded an achievement certificate.

Year Group	Certificates awarded Friday 12 th June 2026			
	Pupil of the week	Challenge	Initiative	Handwriting / Other
Nursery	Amla	Rayan		
Reception	Rome	Cayden	Emma	Tommy
Year 1		Aimé & Zach	Eva & Mia	
Year 2	Milo	Johnny	Ryan	
Year 3	Aaron	Zachi & Omer Faruk	Alex	
Year 4	James	Gregor & Mai	Bodhi I	Ella
Year 5	Ameer	Connie	Ella	
Year 6		Hafsa	Sonny	





Year Group	Certificates awarded Friday 5 th June 2026			
	Pupil of the week	Challenge	Initiative	Handwriting / Other
Nursery	Ellie	Hugo		
Reception	Dottie	Rome & Sophie	Anaya	
Year 1	Albert	Arlo	Bella C & Jakub	Amilyn
Year 2	Jude		Milo & Ralph	Jude
Year 3	Samuel	William	Frances	
Year 4	Darcy	Gregor & Lena	Ruby	India
Year 5	Ava	Ronnie	Howie	
Year 6		Klara	Indy	





Attendance & Celebrations:



Week ending 12.6.26 - Well done to Reception Class again for winning the attendance trophy and achieving an attendance of 97.9% this week.

Week ending 5.6.26 - Well done to Reception Class for winning the attendance trophy and achieving an attendance of 98.9% last week.



APOLLO

1482



ARTEMIS

1973



HESTIA

1469



POSEIDON

1338



Class Updates



Look at what Nursery have been learning...

Nursery have had a great couple of weeks learning about animals and minibeasts. We have some caterpillars growing in the Nursery, and the children have been excitedly watching them change into cocoons! This week has been equalities week and the children have been reading Elmer. We have talked about how we are all special and unique in our own way. We have acted out the story as well as completed some fabulous colourful art work.



Look at what Reception have been learning...

To start off our topic of fantasy and fairytale we have been reading The Three Billy Goats Gruff. We compared a traditional and modernised version and immersed ourselves in the story through acting. The Puffins did a fantastic job at acting out the story in their groups, using a variety of imaginative ways to showcase this. This was so lovely to watch! The Puffins then had the chance to sequence and rewrite key parts of the story, focusing on time language such as first, next, finally.





Class Updates



Look at what Year 1 have been learning...

In History this half term we are learning about early flight. We will be exploring the first flying machines and looking at pioneers of the air, including the Wright brothers and Amelia Earhart. We started the topic by discussing the difference between living and non-living things that can fly, such as birds and aeroplanes. We also made our own paper aeroplanes and then took our lesson outside and enjoyed flying our planes in the playground.



Look at what Year 2 have been learning...

This week in DT, Year 2 have been working on their moving vehicles. Over the term, they have looked at all the different types of moving vehicles and how they have been designed for particular uses. They looked at the different parts of a car, and studied how wheels and axles work. Then, with a mountain of recycled cardboard at their disposal, they set about making their vehicles, and produced some fantastic results!





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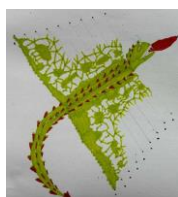


Look at what Year 3 have been learning...

In History, we have started to learn all about the Roman invasion of Britain. We have discussed all the different reasons for their invasion (revenge being a favourite of the class) and also mapped the spread of the empire across Europe, Africa and Asia. This week we will be learning all about Roman roads (many of which can still be seen to this day) and comparing and contrasting the Roman and Celt armies!

Look at what Year 4 have been learning...

Year 4 have started our new English unit based on the book *How to Train Your Dragon*. Next week in writing lessons, students will be writing their own version of events which will include a dragon from their own imagination. (Some examples pictured below.) Our English lessons link nicely with our history unit about the Vikings. We have addressed some misconceptions about them and have looked at some features of Viking longboats. In science, we have begun a unit on the states of matter and have discussed the differences between solids, liquids and gas. Finally, well done Year 4 for working so hard on your times tables and completing the Multiplication Tables Check!





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Look at what Year 5 have been learning...

This week, Year 5 visited Ealing Gurdwara. During our visit, the children listened to a talk in the Darbar Sahib (the main hall) developing their knowledge of the 10 gurus, the 5 Ks: kesh, kangha, kara, kachhera and kirpan and the final and eternal Guru the Guru Granth Sahib and where it is placed within the temple. All of the children demonstrated such respect during their visit, removing their shoes, covering their heads with scarves and sitting in a respectful way to ensure that their legs and feet did not point towards the Guru Granth Sahib. After our session, we enjoyed a meal in the Langar, with members of the Sikh community. Children got to try rice, lentil curry and chapati bread. I am pleased to report that there were lots of clean plates. We then had a picnic lunch at Drayton Park, where fun was had by all. A massive thank you to our parent helpers – we couldn't have done it without you!



Look at what Year 6 have been learning...

This week, Year 6 had a brilliant time making bread. They worked very hard researching, tasting, planning and making prototypes, as well as learning about food hygiene and safety in the kitchen. All the designs were individual and unique, with a wide range of weird and wonderful ingredients! As a class, we would like to say a big thank you to Tiziana for helping us out and sharing her baking expertise!





Meadlands Noticeboard

SPORTS WEEK
22nd - 26th June

- ✓ EYFS/KS1 Sports Day
Tues 24th June
9-11am
- ✓ KS2 Sports Day
Thurs 25th June
9-11:30am

DISCONNECT to RECONNECT WEEK
29th June - 3rd July

Coming up at Meadlands!

Activity for Wellbeing
Look Up, Take Control
★ Outdoors is **FREE!**

WORK HARD
BE KIND
BELONG
RESPECT

LOOK UP
TAKE CONTROL
BE PRESENT

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Meadlands Primary School PRESENTS

SHREK THE MUSICAL JR.

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig

14th & 15th July 2026

Ticket on Sale now via
IRIS | ParentMail

Book and Lyrics by **DAVID LINDSAY-ABAIRE**

Music by **JEANINE TESORI**

Director **LOUISE LIPTON**

Choreographer **LEE HARVEY-ROBINSON**

Original Production Directed by Jason Moore and Rob Ashford "I'm A Believer" by Neil Diamond

Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions

Shrek the Musical JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019

Safeguarding concern?

Are you concerned about the safety or welfare of a child? Please contact the SPA (Single Point of Access). Phone 020 8547 5008. [You can make an online referral here.](#)

If you think a child is in immediate danger you should call 999.

DISMOUNT FROM BIKES, SCOOTERS & SKATEBOARDS

Please can you remind children that they must **dismount from bikes, skateboards and scooters at any of the small gates at the entrances to the school grounds.** They are NOT to scoot or cycle through the carpark or beyond these entrances. This includes early children attending for clubs and boosters.

Early Starts

Please remember that if your child is coming into school early for whatever reason (clubs, boosters, sports events), they must enter via Breakfast Club and NOT the main entrance. Please also endeavour to arrive on time for clubs as late arrivals are disruptive for both staff and other students.

PARKING DURING DROP OFF & PICK UP

According to Highway Code Rule 243: You must not park near a school entrance, anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services, at or near a bus stop or taxi rank, on the approach to a level crossing, opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space, opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle, where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles, in front of an entrance to a property, on a bend where you would obstruct cyclists' use of cycle facilities except when forced to do so by stationary traffic.

We are getting increasing numbers of complaints from neighbours and parents as parents are parking illegally on corners and across driveways at pick up and drop off times. This includes picking up after clubs when our car park is reserved for staff only. Please be considerate when parking near the school. We have asked for a traffic warden to patrol at the beginning and end of the school day.



Community Noticeboard



Ham Children's Centre



Monday 13 April to Friday 17 July 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>1 & 2 Year Health Reviews 13 Apr to 13 July 9.30am 4pm Book with CLCH 033 0058 1679</p> <p>Stay and Play Under 2's £2.50 13 Apr to 13 July 10 to 11am Book Online Here</p> <p>Judy's Rhyme Time £2.50 13 Apr to 13 July 11 to 11.30am Drop In</p>	<p>1 & 2 Year Health Reviews 14 Apr to 14 July Book with CLCH 033 0058 1679</p> <p>Crafty Tales £4.50 14 Apr to 19 May 2 June to 14 July 1 to 2 years 9.30 to 10am 0 to 12 months 10.30 to 11pm Book Online Here</p> <p>Baby Play 14 Apr to 19 May 2 June to 14 July 11am to 12pm Drop In</p>	<p>Midwife Appointments 15 Apr to 15 July 9am to 4pm Book with Kingston Hospital</p> <p>Mini Ninja Karate (2 - 5 years) £4.50 15 Apr to 20 May 3 June to 15 July 10 to 11am Book Online Here</p> <p>Bookstart Reading & Song Time FREE 15 Apr to 15 July 11 to 11.30 Book Online Here</p>	<p>Midwife Appointments 16 Apr to 16 July 9am to 5pm Book with Kingston Hospital</p> <p>Stay and Play £2.50 16 Apr to 16 July 10 to 11.30am Book Online Here</p> <p>Speech and Language in Stay and Play 30 April, 28 May, 25 June, 30 July</p>	<p>Midwife Appointments 17 Apr to 17 July 9am to 4pm Book with Kingston Hospital</p> <p>Baby Play 17 April to 22 May 5 June to 17 July 10 to 11am Drop In</p> <p>Ballet with Baby Ballet £4.50 17 April to 22 May 5 June to 17 July 10.45 to 11.20am Book Online Here</p> <p>Best Start In Life Outside Garden Play FREE 17 April to 22 May 5 June to 17 July 9.45 to 10.45am Drop In</p>

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SQUIRRELS SCOUTS

WE HAVE SPACES AVAILABLE
COME JOIN THE ADVENTURE!

- FUN, GAMES & OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES**
- LEARN NEW SKILLS & MAKE FRIENDS**
- PERFECT FOR YOUNG EXPLORERS**

WHEN: THURSDAYS | **TIME: 5:30PM - 6:30PM**

ACTIVITY BADGES | **BADGES AND AWARDS** | **CHALLENGE AWARDS**

INTERESTED? GET IN TOUCH!
info@hamscouts.org.uk
JOIN THE FUN TODAY!



Further details are available from Mrs White (Yr3) if anyone is interested in taking part.

Celebrate bike week on this free family-friendly ride from Latchmere Rec- Sunday 14 June

Rediscover the joy of bike travel with [Kingston Cycling Campaign](#) and local friends on Sunday 14 June.

Celebrate Bike Week and have fun discovering new local routes on this confidence-boosting summer ride! This family-friendly 6.5 mile scenic adventure will start in Latchmere Recreation Ground and explore North Kingston's cycle-friendly routes, from the Thames towpath to Richmond Park.

Designed with all ages and cycling abilities in mind, and with marshals keeping everyone safe, Full Cycle Community Bike Project's volunteers will be on hand to help with some basic Dr Bike-style TLC before and after the event, while Friends of Latchmere Rec will be helping with bike security marking.

[To join in the fun or to find out more click here.](#)

[Poster here](#)



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RHYMES



17 June 10:30am

RHYMES
LIVE!

Take your young family on an exciting musical adventure, meeting instruments, sounds, songs, colours and a few animals along the way.

Where music and imagination collide!



Book now!