



Meadlands Primary School



Mallard Messenger

Our current school value is Determination:



Date	Event	Applicable to
25/29.5.26	HALF TERM – SCHOOL & NURSERY CLOSED	ALL
1/5.6.26	Cycling Proficiency	Year 6
2.6.26	Parents invited to a talk about Grey Court	Year 5
3.6.26	Borough Sports	TBC
10.6.26	Ealing Gurdwara Trip	Year 5
12.6.26	Class Assembly & Bake Sale	Reception

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Headteacher's Update



Dear Parents and Carers,

As our Year 4 children will be just heading home from their residential at Thames Young Mariners, there will no doubt be a lot of tired, exhausted but happy children coming your way. We have compiled photos from the trip, which the Year 4 parents will shortly be able to view.

Our choir have also been very busy – performing at St Andrew's Church last Sunday and then again at the Rose theatre this Wednesday. The choir took part in the Ham Open Gardens event. Pictured here is our choir with Bishop Martin of Kingston, Reverend Alice Pettit and Tara. I heard that you were all utterly amazing and sang beautifully. Well done.

As part of our involvement in the Living Streets Walk to School week, children were able to cycle and scoot on the field and playground during their allocated lunchtime slot. Luckily, the rain held off and it was wonderful to see so many children enjoying this treat throughout the week.

Finally, the time has come to wave a *temporary* goodbye to Mrs Barson as she begins her maternity leave. She will be missed hugely at Meadlands as she is such an integral staff member, but she will be keeping in touch regularly, advising me as I attempt to take over her SENDCO role until her return at Christmas. We all wish you the very best and hope you enjoy becoming a parent. You'll be amazing! We'll post news when baby is born.

Thank you for your support and warm messages through this somewhat challenging half-term. Our thoughts remain with Mrs Gee and her family. Enjoy the break and the sunshine and we'll see you back on **Monday 1st June (not an INSET day)**.

Best wishes,

Mrs Wreford





School Success and Celebrations

Achievement Certificate Winners:

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

Year Group	Certificates awarded Friday 22 nd May 2026			
	Pupil of the week	Challenge	Determination	Handwriting / Other
Nursery	Annie	Amla	Charlie	
Reception	Magnus	Finn	Tommy	
Year 1	Ivy B		Whole Class	
Year 2			Kodi	
Year 3	Stanley		Dariush	Charlotte, Aaron & Guy
Year 4	AT	THAMES	YOUNG	MARINERS
Year 5	Monty	Alba	Paddy	
Year 6	Ella	Elu	Josh	





Year Group	Certificates awarded Friday 15 th May 2026			
	Pupil of the week	Challenge	Determination	Handwriting / Other
Nursery	Evie	Dany	HAGEN	
Reception	Alba	Joshua	Dottie	Malvi
Year 1	Nina		Ivy B & Khadija	Molly
Year 2	Ameen	Walt	Sienna	Pippa
Year 3	Charlotte	Lucas	Dexter	
Year 4	Bodhi I	India	Karris	Malika
Year 5	Howie	Richard	Cara	Arthur M
Year 6	At	Chessington	World of	Adventures





Attendance & Celebrations:



Week ending 22.5.26 - Well done to Reception Class for winning the attendance trophy and achieving an attendance of 99.5% this week.

Week ending 15.5.26 - Well done to Year 6 for winning the attendance trophy and achieving an attendance of 99.1% last week.



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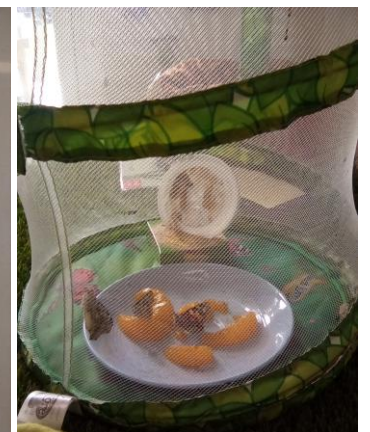
Look at what Nursery have been learning...

This week Nursery went on their first ever school trip! The children did so well walking to and from St Andrews Church – even in the rain! They took part in some lovely activities and each child coloured a stained glass window after looking at all of the windows around the church. Vicar Alice showed us around the different rooms, and the children had the chance to look at the huge organ as well as the church yard gardens too.



Look at what Reception have been learning...

As we come to the end of our animal topic, Reception have been having lots of fun exploring habitats through art. They had the opportunity to make different animal habitats, including the South Pole, the woodlands, the savanna, the ocean and more. They also had fun making their own animal headbands using a variety of materials. The most exciting part of our week has been the butterflies breaking out of their cocoons! We have loved watching them grow and change and are looking forward to setting them free today.





Class Updates



Look at what Year 1 have been learning...

Year 1's DT unit this term has been Chop it up – Fruit Kebabs. After taste testing mango, pineapple and kiwi and then planning and designing their own fruit kebabs, children finally got to create them. During our taste testing lesson, the children were really brave trying new fruits, with lots of children sharing that this was their first time trying kiwi. They got to use banana, apple, grapes and satsumas to make their fruit kebabs, with the fun part being the eating!



Look at what Year 2 have been learning...

Over the past week, Year 2 have been revising all the Maths topics we've learned this half term, particularly Fractions, 2 & 3D shapes, Multiplication and Division. Maybe try putting them to the test during the holidays! In English, we have been writing a Fact File all about plants and the extraordinary knowledge that the children have brought to their work has really blown us away. (See the photo below) Everyone had so much to say!

Sadly, today is our last day of Dance with Lee - the children have worked so hard choreographing a whole-class routine which they've built up over the past 6 weeks and which they're rightly very proud of. In PE next term, the children will be doing Rounders and Athletics, in preparation for Sports Week in June.



Class Updates



Look at what Year 3 have been learning...

In D&T, we have been designing and decorating T shirts! We have been using fabric markers, fabric glue and sewing to create patterns, pictures and pockets. We have got a little work left to do and will then evaluate our finished design before hopefully having a little fashion show! All the children cannot wait to bring them home to wear so hopefully everyone will get a chance to see their wonderful creations very soon!



Look at what Year 4 have been learning...

Year 4 have had an enjoyable first half to the summer term. In English, students have applied and expanded their knowledge of persuasive techniques through writing speeches on a topic of their choice. Some students have already 'performed' their speeches in front of the class – the rest will continue after the half-term. Topics include: the importance of music for children, wearing our own clothes to school (rather than the school uniform), PE every day, a school trip once a month and more! In maths, we have been learning about decimals as well as practising multiplication tables in preparation for the multiplication tables check which will take place the Thursday after the half-term break. In the next half of term, we will also make the salsa recipes that the Year 4 students have created – a letter will be sent home at the beginning of June confirming the date and the ingredients your child would like. Enjoy your half term break!



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Look at what Year 5 have been learning...

Year 5 have been incredibly busy over the past few weeks, creating their businesses and products for Flamingo Market Place. They have completed a presale to Year 4, which went really well and got them all ready for their sale to the rest of the school at the end of the week. We are very proud of how hard they have worked and the excellent team work and initiative they have displayed.

Year 5 have also been really enjoying reading the Explorer this half term and have completed some excellent narratives based on the story. In Geography, Year 5 have been learning about rivers and have been studying how meanders and ox bow lakes are formed and in Science we have been learning about the phases of the moon as part of our Earth and Space topic.

Look at what Year 6 have been learning...

After finishing the SATs on Thursday (YAY!), Year 6 have had a whole range of different activities to keep them occupied! During SATs week, they wrote a book for Reception children which they then read to them on Monday, on Tuesday, they went to Pizza Express to make pizzas, on Wednesday they finished their 'Clockwork' and on Thursday, they performed a science experiment about evolution and researched different bread types! They also had a great time at Chessington on Friday, where they were lucky enough to have a quiet park and very limited ride queues!



Meadlands Noticeboard



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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.

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.

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.

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

HALF TERM AT THE EXCHANGE



OPPOSITE TWICKENHAM STATION!



THEATRE
Top Secret:
The Magic of Science
Saturday 23 May, 2 pm



COMEDY
The Kids Show 2:
The Power of Two
Saturday 30 May, 11 am



COMEDY
Rabbits Out Of The Hat
Saturday 6 June, 2.30 pm

Family of 4 tickets £40

www.exchangetwickenham.co.uk



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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Printing with Sunshine

Learn how to make beautiful Cyanotype prints.

Cyanotype is an increasingly popular artform that enables you to make beautiful prints from leaves, flowers and other objects using a non-toxic chemical solution of iron salts and sunshine.



Thursday 28th May, 1pm – 3pm (2 hours)

Make a selection of cyanotype prints on different papers, and learn how to use a cyanotype print on tracing paper to cover a cylindrical nightlight holder or vase.

£40 for adults, all materials included.

£30 for 10 – 16 years (must be accompanied by a paying adult)

You will leave the class with a completed vase or nightlight holder using your own cyanotype, several cyanotype prints and the knowledge to turn them into similar pieces that you can keep or gift.

Example vase is glass, covered with an original cyanotype print, with fairy lights inside to turn it into a lantern. Items on the day may vary.

Experience level: Beginner / Intermediate

These workshops are ideal for adults and children of all experience levels who enjoy craft, design and learning how to make things. No prior experience needed.

Tutor: Alice Pettit is the Vicar of St Andrew's; she is also an artist with many years' experience teaching craft workshops to adults and children.

Where: St Andrew's Church Hall.

To find out more and to book please contact Alice at revalicepettit@proton.com 020 8940 9017

A proportion of the proceeds will go to support the work of St Andrew's Church.

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Friday 29th May, 10am – 1pm (3 hours)

Learn about the history of cyanotype and how to make cyanotype and lumen prints. You will be guided through the process by an experienced teacher and have time to experiment with your own ideas. You'll take home a collection of your own beautiful, unique prints, and the knowledge of how to make more at home - to frame, gift or use as raw material for your own mixed media craft projects or scrapbooking.

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26TH MAY DATE
10:30AM START

CYP TRIP

Kew Garden

Meet at the Richmond mencap office from 10:30 am

Return back to Richmond Mencap office at 4:00pm

A fun day trip for Children and Young People with Learning Disabilities under the age of 18

Further dates to be confirmed for May Half-term Week!

Contact us to register
Limited spaces available!

