

West Meadows Weekly

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Dear Families,
We have sent much love to some of our #WonderfulCommunity this week during a most difficult time. We know that both in and out of school, caring for each other is our greatest strength. Everyone in school sends out all of their love to those affected.

In school, as ever, the children have been magnificent and provided some new memories and indeed a magnificent new feature to the school's main entrance! Every child in Years 5 and 6 contributed to a stunning mosaic with the artist Andrew Wynne. This work was actually commissioned by Miss Steele at the time of my father's passing so it will always help me to remember him. A special addition to school.

We also had our Safeguarding and Inclusion audits from St. Mary's Academy Trust. Our main leaders in this are Miss Jobling and Mrs. Maree – this explains why the results were so positive. Of course, children MUST be safe in school. However, the amazing quality of the work done by these 2 individuals means Safeguarding at West Meadows goes much further than that. We are lucky to have them on our team and as staff and parents we all know that. Miss Grange and I also reviewed our Sports Spending and PE work in school with an external company. They were highly impressed with our commitment to sport and the fact that all children have access to such a wide range of opportunities. Thank you to Miss Grange for her hard work – sport will always be a hugely important ingredient to life at West Meadows.

I must congratulate Mr. Smith – he has just qualified as a lead moderator within the Barnsley LA. This allows him to judge the work of other schools for the DfE – a huge honour and reminiscent of Miss Knox, so high praise indeed.

Year 5 represented school at the SMAT Enterprise Finals with Mr. Mitchell. We won a trophy again and everyone had a great day. Mr. Mitchell is a real Entrepreneur, thanks to him for his hard work.

Another Headteacher and I have represented our Academy Trust with Mr. Child in London this week at the BETT Exhibition – I have some exciting ideas for developing technology in school, so watch this space.

As ever, take care and enjoy the weekend. #AimHighSucceedBeHappy
Daniel Wood (Headteacher)

Class Attendances	%
EYFS 1 AM	80.46%
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F2	93.67%
Year 1	90%
Year 2	94%
Year 3	98.71%
Year 4	96.55%
Year 5	99.33%
Year 6	96.67%
This week's winners	Year 5
School Attendance Target for the Year:	97%
School Attendance this week:	95.18%
School Attendance this year:	95%

Lunch Menu			
	Traditional Meal	Vegetarian	Savoury Option
Mon	Hot Dog & Chips	Homemade Pizza	Jacket Potato
Tue	Beef Strips in Gravy Yorkshire Pudding	Quorn Curry Rice and Naan Bread	Filled Taco with Beef Strips
Weds	Chicken Dinner with Stuffing	Quorn Sausage	Hot Roast Bap
Thurs	All Day Breakfast	• Pizza	Sausage Bap
Fri		Fish Finger Creamed Potatoes Garden Peas Mushrooms	Jacket Potato with Hot or Cold Filling

Cash/ NO CASH

From the end of the month, we shall be attempting to become a 'Cashless' School. This is an Academy Trust Wide decision and has been taken to make financial records easier to maintain, scrutinise and of course be examined and checked for legal and auditing purposes. We shall be using Parent Pay to sell items such as:

- Concert Tickets
- School Meals
- Trips
- Breakfast Club
- Clubs – no cost

There is **no longer a minimum amount** that can be deposited within Parent Pay. Should you require any help, Mr. Child is in school on Thursdays and Fridays to assist, Thank you.

The Lion King

What a response! From wondering whether or not we could make this trip a reality – we've now ordered an extra coach! Many thanks to Mrs. O'loughlin for her sterling work. The visit will be open to Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (next year's groups) and is selling quickly! So please, check Parent Pay and sign up for this amazing opportunity.

Grange on Games - @WMPPrimarySport

The Boccia Team were wonderful at Hoyland Common last week. We were very proud of their efforts! No competition today but we have children improving their skills every day at after school clubs as well as in lessons. Please remember to send children to school with house PE shirts.

Maestro On Music - @WMPPrimaryMusic

Go Go Go Mr. O!

Preparations for Joseph have begun! Please help your children with learning songs. The performance is on March 18th and 19th. The Academy Theatre Birdwell will handle ALL ticket sales – I bet they don't do as well as Mrs. O'loughlin!

The Week Ahead.....	
Mon 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaders Review in School • Fr. Richard Assembly • Art Club Yr 5 /6 • Science Club KS2
Tue 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KS 2 Football Club • Art Club 3/4
Weds 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choir tonight – children only • Art Club 1/2 • Y4 Y5 Y6 Dance Club
Thurs 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key Stage 1 Multi Skills • Year 3 ICT Club
Fri 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KS 2 Cricket Club • Trust Chair to visit School