



Weekly Newsletter

Friday

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2026

This week's school news and information

Year 6 SATs Week 2026

Next week, our Year 6 pupils will be taking their SATs tests. We are incredibly proud of how hard they have worked and the positive attitudes they have shown. To help everyone feel calm and ready, we warmly invite pupils to join us for breakfast from **8:15am, Monday to Thursday**. Most importantly, we'd like them to remember that SATs are just one small part of who they are. At **The Meadows**, we value *respect, responsibility, resilience, honesty, caring and reflection*—qualities our Year 6 children show every day. Good luck, Year 6—you've got this! 🌟

A Little SATs Reminder – From All at The Meadows

Take a breath and start your day,
You've come so far along the way.
At The Meadows, we all see
The amazing person you've grown to be.
With respect and care in all you do,
Being honest and responsible too,
Showing resilience when things feel tough,
And being reflective—that's more than enough.
These tests don't show your caring heart,
Or all the ways you play your part—
Your kindness, humour, how you shine,
The many ways you brighten minds.
So do your best—that's all we say,
We're proud of you in every way.
Be calm, be brave, believe it's true,
The Meadows team believes in you.



Cross Country Success



Following the fourth and final Cross Country event at The Marches yesterday afternoon, we are delighted to share that Lyla (Year 4) achieved 3rd place overall in the Year 3/4 girls' category, and Erin (Year 5) achieved 3rd place overall in the Year 5/6 girls' category. In addition, Lewis (Year 6) secured 2nd place in the Year 5/6 boys' race. We would also like to congratulate all pupils who took part in this series of events. It was wonderful to see so many children improving their positions with each race and demonstrating such determination and resilience throughout the competition.

Respectful Communication

We are proud of the warm and caring community we have at The Meadows Primary, and we ask for your support in helping us maintain this positive environment for everyone. We would like to gently remind all parents and carers of the importance of speaking to our staff in a respectful and courteous manner at all times, including on the playground. Our staff are dedicated to supporting your children and deserve to be treated with kindness and consideration. We also ask that appropriate language is always used, particularly when children are present, as they look to the adults around them as role models. If you have any concerns or worries, we are always happy to help and encourage you to speak with us calmly so we can work together to find a solution. Thank you for your continued support in helping us create a safe, respectful and positive environment for all members of our school community.

Bag 2 School – Reminder we are taking part in the Bag 2 School fundraising scheme. Collection Date: Thursday 21st May (at 9 am) Drop-off Window: From Monday 18th until Wednesday 20th May (before 9 am). You can find a full list of what can be donated here: <https://www.bag2school.com/what-wecollect>. Please leave any donation bags by the Reception door before or after school during these days. A team of volunteers will then help us move the bags to a safe area to be stored for collection. Thank you so much for your support—it's a simple and effective way to raise funds for our school!



Attendance Reminder

We would like to gently remind parents and carers about the importance of regular school attendance in supporting children's learning and wellbeing. Shropshire Council's Education Access Service has asked schools to share guidance regarding holidays during term time. As a school, we are unable to authorise family holidays taken during term time.

We understand how important family time is, and there are approximately 175 days each year outside of school term dates that can be used for holidays and special occasions. We kindly ask that, wherever possible, holidays are planned within these periods.

Please be aware that the Local Authority may issue penalty notices for unauthorised absences. These are currently set at £80 per child, per parent, and may increase if not paid within the given time frame.

We truly appreciate your understanding and support in helping us ensure all children benefit fully from their time in school.

Every Day Counts



Birthdays



This week we would like to wish the following children a very Happy Birthday

Digby-Jax
Henry
Dylan
Jesse
Jack
Amber
Kaleb
Carson
Hadleigh

Well done this week to...

Chicks Year R	Albert has had a fantastic week, coming into school happily each day and showing great enthusiasm for activities and learning. It has been wonderful to see his enjoyment of stories like Jack and the Beanstalk and Whiffy Wilson, as well as his growing confidence in planting, drawing, and early number writing. Keep up the great work as you continue to develop your skills, use your manners, and enjoy learning!
Ducklings Year R	Emily has shown fantastic behaviour this week, sitting beautifully on the carpet, listening carefully, and setting a great example for others. Well done on your excellent effort in reading, writing, and practising Set 2 sounds, as well as working brilliantly in maths to create and explain patterns. Keep up the fantastic work, Emily!
Wrens Year 1	Codie has had a fantastic end to the week, showing great effort in listening carefully and participating well in lessons. Well done for your excellent manners, speaking confidently to adults, and using good listening skills when solving problems. Keep up the great work, especially after achieving GOLD—what a brilliant achievement!
Robins Year 2	Isabella has shown exceptional effort across all areas of learning this week, impressing her teachers with her fantastic attitude and hard work. Well done for your excellent achievements in ICT, maths, and writing, as well as your greatly improved handwriting and confident use of prior knowledge. Keep up the brilliant work, coming in each day with a smile and continuing to make us all proud!
Owls Year 2	Kyran has had an excellent week, growing in confidence and showing fantastic improvement in handwriting, presentation, and overall effort. Well done on your brilliant progress in spellings and reading fluency, including achieving full marks this week and working hard with subtraction in maths. Keep up the great work as you continue to shine in your learning and enjoy topics like DT!
Puffins Year 3/4	Codi has shown excellent effort in improving handwriting, especially by working hard to join letters neatly in every task. Well done on the clear progress, as the handwriting has become beautiful and shows a big transformation. Keep it up and continue the great work!
Kingfishers Year 3/4	Daisy has shown great courage and confidence this week, especially when performing on the guitar in assembly. Well done for your determination in improving your handwriting and for working cooperatively with others, contributing enthusiastically in lessons. Keep up the fantastic work, particularly in English where your creative 'speech sandwich' showed excellent understanding and imagination!
Kestrels Year 4/5	Henry has earned Star of the Week for consistently improving his behaviour, attitude, and the quality of his work. Well done for showing excellent manners, respect, and thoughtful participation in lessons, while listening carefully and contributing positively. Keep up the fantastic effort and maturity—you should feel very proud of yourself!
Hawks Year 5	Jacob has made excellent progress this week, showing improved behaviour by listening carefully and following instructions first time. Well done on your outstanding effort in maths, including a fantastic 40/40 in times tables and confident work finding common factors. Keep up the great work with your determination, focus, and positive attitude!
Eagles Year 6	Neave has achieved a fantastic Well Done this week, showing kindness, care, and a nurturing attitude towards others in the classroom. Well done for your positive, can-do approach to SATs revision, especially in maths, where you have taken real ownership of your learning. Keep believing in yourself and maintaining that brilliant mindset as you continue your hard work!
Falcons Year 6	Alfie has earned this week's award for his positive attitude, enthusiasm, and determination to always try his best in all areas of school life. Well done for being a kind, thoughtful, and supportive member of the class, showing maturity and respect towards others while contributing confidently in lessons. Keep up the fantastic work and continue being such a brilliant role model!

What is happening in school next week?

Day/Date	During School Time	After School
Monday 11th May	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club KS2 SATS Music Mob—Violin Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15-4.30 Y1-3 – Football 3.15-4.30 Y3-5 – Colouring Club
Tuesday 12th May	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club KS2 SATS Swimming – Eagles & Falcons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15-4.30 KS2 - Cricket
Wednesday 13th May	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club KS2 SATS Swimming – Hawks Music Mob—Woodwind Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15-4.30 KS2 – Tennis 3.15-4.30 Y2-3 – Art 3.15-4.30 Y1-6 – Homework club 3.15-4.30 KS2 - Athletics
Thursday 14th May	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club KS2 SATS Music Mob—Brass Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15-4.30 Y4 & 5 – Football 3.15-4.30 Y4 & 5 – Art
Friday 15th May	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Brass Lessons—Puffins & Kingfishers Music Mob—Guitar Lessons Music Mob—Drum Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15-4.30 EYFS & Y1 - Gymnastics