

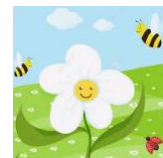
This week's school news and information

Important: Head Lice Awareness

We have had a few recent cases of head lice in school. Please could we ask all parents and carers to check their child's hair regularly and treat if necessary. Head lice are very common among primary-aged children, and regular checking at home helps prevent them spreading. The NHS recommends wet-combing as an effective method of detection and removal. More information can be found [here](#). Thank you for your support in helping us manage this.

Spring 2nd Half Update

The second half of the Spring Term will begin on Tuesday, 24th February. Please note that Monday, 23rd February is a P.D. Day for staff only, and school will be closed to pupils. We hope all our children enjoy a well-deserved week off and take the opportunity to join in with some of the many local half-term activities happening in the community. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another busy half-term.



Lunchtime Telephone Arrangements



After the half-term break, please note that the school telephone will not be manned between 12:00 and 1:00pm. During this time, you will be able to leave a message on the answerphone, and we will endeavour to return your call after 1:00pm. Thank you for your understanding and support.

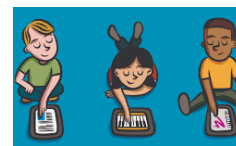
Year 6 SATs Meeting

Thank you to all the parents and children who attended the SATs meeting on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many of you there.

If you have any further questions or need clarification about anything discussed, please do not hesitate to contact the Year 6 staff, who will be happy to help.

Screen Time Guidance for Families

Parenting young children is incredibly demanding, and families deserve practical support rather than added pressure. Research now suggests that frequent screen use in early childhood can impact emotional development, making it harder for children to manage big feelings and build strong relationships. To support families, we are pleased to share a new guide created with global parenting expert Supernanny Jo Frost. The [guide](#) offers simple, gentle strategies to help reduce screen time and strengthen family connections through play, curiosity, laughter and shared moments.



MEADOWS FEBRUARY HALF-TERM HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES WITH FOOD

AN EXCITING AND ENGAGING PROGRAMME OF FREE
ACTIVITIES AND ADD ON SPORTS CLUB OPTIONS

Two hours of free games and
activities for children of all abilities
with add on sports club options -
all at The Meadows Primary
School, Harlech Road, Oswestry

Take part in football, tag rugby, hockey, pickleball,
target sports and more; each add-on club costs just
£7.50.

Limited places available. Registration essential.

The activities will be held on the following dates:

Wednesday 18th
& Thursday 19th
February

The Meadows Primary
School, Oswestry, SY11 2EA
Morning sports club: 9am - 11am
Free activities: 11am - 1pm
Afternoon sports club: 1pm - 3pm

Free meal
provided for all
participants



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Mon - Thurs
9.30am - 4.30pm
Friday 9.30am -
3.30pm



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Birthdays



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

Joachim

Molly

Ruby

Maisie

Toby

Anui

Harper-Juliette

Well done this week to...

Chicks Year R	Oscar has had a wonderful week in class, showing fantastic confidence in maths by identifying groups with more or fewer objects and explaining his thinking clearly. He also demonstrated a strong understanding of partitioning numbers to five, as well as great enthusiasm for learning about farm animals and recalling the story Farmer Duck. In addition, Oscar created a fabulous drawing of a cow by carefully following a YouTube video, rounding off an excellent week.
Ducklings Year R	Jotham has been a star in Ducklings Class this week, working hard on his phonics both at home and in school, and this progress is really showing. He approaches every activity with a positive attitude, enjoys sharing his knowledge during our Animals topic, and listens carefully during carpet time. Jotham has also been impressive in his independent writing—confidently using his phonics to spell CVC words—and continues to be a kind, friendly classmate who enjoys playing and sharing with others.
Wrens Year 1	Gabby has shown what a kind and caring member of the class she is this week, often letting others go first and seeking an adult if someone is hurt. She has worked hard in reading and writing, and in maths she can now sort numbers into odd and even sets, confidently explaining that even numbers are made of pairs. Recently, Gabby has been much more focused in lessons, which has had a positive impact on her learning.
Robins Year 2	Lizzy has had an outstanding week of learning and behaviour across the whole curriculum. She has shown great effort in English and art, continues to improve her handwriting, and impresses with her creativity and focus. Lizzy is also a kind, caring friend who consistently demonstrates the school's values and is a valued member of the class.
Owls Year 2	Ashley has shown another week of hard work, demonstrating a more positive attitude in lessons and growing confidence in class discussions. He has particularly enjoyed writing his own version of Dragon Machine, completing each section carefully and including all the expected features, while also showing strong maths skills by confidently doubling and halving two-digit numbers. In addition, Ashley revealed his creativity in art by exploring different types of line and showed great resilience in PE, especially when he kept trying his best with the tricky bunny hops.
Puffins Year 3/4	Evie has been growing in confidence this week, both in class and in her interactions with others. It has been lovely to see her forming new friendships across Year 4 and becoming increasingly independent in her work. She focussed brilliantly on writing a long story based on The Stone Age Boy, carefully checking her plan and using her chosen vocabulary thoughtfully.
Kingfishers Year 3/4	Izzy impressed the whole school with her beautiful piano performance during assembly this week. She has shown great effort in English, creating an exciting adventure story and improving it thoughtfully through editing. In maths and PE, Izzy demonstrated excellent perseverance and teamwork, choosing efficient methods in her calculations and working brilliantly with her group to create a coordinated Roman soldier sequence.
Kestrels Year 4/5	Harper has shown exceptional determination and pride in her learning this week, producing a thoughtful letter from Beowulf that included key information as well as accurate punctuation, grammar, and beautifully joined handwriting. She has deepened her understanding of Ancient Greek gods by carefully extracting important details and noticing interesting facts that enriched class discussions. In PE, Harper demonstrated both bravery and resilience while practising cartwheels on different equipment and was a fantastic team player during the intra-tournament, always supporting others and giving her best.
Hawks Year 5	Georgia has come into school each day with a positive attitude, showing fantastic listening skills and consistently following school rules. She has demonstrated wonderful teamwork and kindness, helping others and being a reliable, supportive friend. Despite missing some English lessons through illness, Georgia worked incredibly hard to catch up, producing a brilliant mythical story with impressive, expanded noun phrases and excelling in PE—especially in gymnastics, where she modelled excellent symmetrical balances and performed great cartwheels.
Eagles Year 6	Jack has had a fantastic week, showing great enthusiasm and energy throughout our trip to Blists Hill, where he fully embraced the outdoor experience. His confidence in English is growing as he works hard to write his own sentences during independent tasks, and it has been wonderful to see his progress. In PE, Jack shone in gymnastics, confidently creating counterbalances, practising jumps, and performing a basic vault with impressive focus and control.
Falcons Year 6	Henry has shown wonderful growing confidence this week, especially in his arithmetic, coming into school each morning with a mature and determined attitude towards improving his Maths skills. He put impressive effort into his independent writing as The Selfish Giant, taking great care with his handwriting, presentation, and editing to produce work he could be proud of. Alongside this, Henry has shown a real enthusiasm for learning—contributing thoughtfully to discussions about 'Transport Through the Ages' and showing brilliant curiosity during the class trip to Blists Hill.

What is happening in school after half-term?

Day/Date	During School Time	After School
Monday 23rd February	P D Day	
Tuesday 24th February	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Swimming – Puffins	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y1-4 Film Club
Wednesday 25th February	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Swimming – Kestrels & Wrens Music Mob—Woodwind Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15 - 4.30 ~ KS2 Basketball 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y2-3 Art Club
Thursday 26th February	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Music Mob—Guitar Lessons Music Mob—Brass Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y4-6 Football 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y4-6 Art Club
Friday 27th February	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Brass Lessons—Puffins & Kingfishers Music Mob—Drum Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y1-4 Gymnastics