



Meadow View Primary School Newsletter – January 2025



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We would like to wish all of our school community a very happy new year. We hope that you managed to get to spend some quality time with your loved ones over the Christmas break. Over the next few weeks, we will be talking to the children about new year, new beginning and goals they wish to set themselves. I'm sure 2025 will be another fabulous year!

Welcome

Welcome to all our new families that have joined us. Please be aware that these newsletters are sent out monthly containing key information. If you have any questions, you can either email into school on school@mvp.jmat.org.uk, you can phone to request a member of staff to give you a telephone call or to request a meeting. Senior members of staff are always available on the drive at the start and end of the school day too.

Office Opening Hours

Please be aware that the school office is staffed each day from **8:15am to 4pm** and therefore if you need to speak to someone, please call within these times. Answer machine messages can be left outside of these times and these are checked each morning.

Behaviour Stars

As part of our behaviour system in school, children are rewarded with stars when they demonstrate exceptional behaviour linked to one of our three school rules:

Aim High **Be Safe** **Be Kind**

They keep these stars on their own personal chart. Once the chart is completed, it earns 1 point for their house (**aspire, achieve, include, wellness**). At the end of each half term, the house with the most points receive 30 minutes additional outdoor time with weather dependant resources such as dance, grass sledges, golf, scooters, parachutes etc.

The results for last half term are:

Team Include – 29 points

Team Aspire – 30 points

Team Wellness – 33 points

Team Achieve – 47 points

Team Achieve will receive their additional outdoor activity time.

New Learning Journeys

As we start the new term, the children have all started new learning journeys within our curriculum.

Learning in Foundation Stage 1 will be based around the stories: The Not So Perfect Penguin, The Three Billy Goats Gruff and The Great Explorer and then after February half term: Mr Wolf's Pancakes, Handa's Surprise and Oliver's Vegetables

Foundation Stage 2 will be learning about Winter, stories by Nick Butterworth, Chinese New Year, and then moving onto Africa and the season of Spring after February half term.

In years 1-6, the children will be engaging with their geography based learning journeys based on the theme of settlement.

Y1 and Y2 will be finding out 'What's our place in the world?' They will be learning about our planet, the continents, oceans and the equator. Later on, they will move on to learn about what life is like in Kenya and Mombasa and compare this to our locality.

Y3 and Y4 will be studying 'How have the Pennines have affected land use?' Identifying physical and human features of the Pennines, exploring rivers and the water cycle and developing their map and photography skills. Later they will move on to learning about bridges and how engineers develop secure structures.

Y5 and Y6 will be exploring 'What geographical comparisons can be made between an inland and coastal town?' They will study Sheffield and Filey and draw comparisons. They will be learning about local photographers and sculptures and using their work to inspire their own.

Growing Healthiness, Happiness and Life Long Success.

Achieve

Aspire

Wellness

Include