

Newsletter



MEADOW PARK
SCHOOL

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers

I have been incredibly proud of all of the students' commitment to representing the school this week and indeed this year. It has been really pleasing to see the support given by other students and staff in cheering on our individuals and teams. We had mixed results, with our basketball team narrowly missing out in the cup final game. However the Year 10 boys rugby team won their first ever game. It is also the first time we have entered a trampolining team with five students representing Meadow Park; I am delighted that one of our team took 1st place in the Advanced Section. At breaktime today the whole school gathered together, forming a line of honour, where we congratulated the students. It was an honour to shake each of their hands and thank them. We then posed for formal team photos. This half term alone, there have been 35 fixtures that we have taken part in, which I think is incredible. I believe it takes courage, commitment and pride to represent your school and I admire all of our students who do so.

In my weekly whole school assembly I encouraged students to balance their holiday with rest but also keeping themselves active, either physically or with learning. If they are anything like my children, after the first week they get bored! We have a fabulous library which is normally full of students each break and lunchtime and I therefore reminded students that they are able to take out books to read, including over the holiday. We actively encourage reading at Meadow Park, with a range of opportunities for reading for pleasure as well as

formal reading. Each week in the whole school assembly, we celebrate the students who have read the most books, most words and have made progress with their reading. I am looking forward to catching up with my own reading over the Easter break and have set myself a challenge of reading 1 book per week.

This week saw the start of our afternoon teas with our new students who will be joining us in September in Year 7. We have a number of these planned over the next term and it is a lovely opportunity for parents and children to meet a range of staff, including myself, my two Deputy Headteachers, our Transition Co-ordinator, our SENDCo and members of our House Team. Some of you may remember coming along to these yourself over the last couple of years.

We have really enjoyed the warmer weather this week and I hope it extends into the holidays. Please can I remind you, as I reminded students today, of the importance of wearing the correct uniform including blazer and tie. Some students have said they have misplaced some items at home, so I have encouraged them to have a good look in their bedrooms and elsewhere at home! Thank you for your support with this.

I would like to thank you for all your support so far this year and wish you a lovely Easter break. I look forward to seeing everyone return on Monday 28th April.

With best wishes

Mrs Pettman, Headteacher


Nurturing Excellence, Growing Aspiration, Thriving Together



FINHAM PARK
MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

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Meadow Park Uniform Swap Shop



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**Outgrown a blazer?
Ripped a shirt?
Need PE Kit?**

Come and choose
FREE pre-loved school
uniform at our Uniform
Swap Shop.

We have lots of outgrown, pre-
loved branded school uniform,
trousers, coats and much more...

Donations

Families can **donate** their old or
unused uniform to the shop.
Washed, good-quality uniform,
that you no longer need, can be
brought to the swap shop or
handed in at Reception.

Free

Our swap shop provides **free**
uniform to those who need it.
If you do not have anything to
swap, you can make a donation
for the items you need.

Exchange

Families can **exchange** their old
uniform for new **pre-loved** items
that fit better. Please bring in any
washed, good-quality uniform
that you would like to swap.

Open

Our **Uniform Swap Shop** is open
on the **last Friday every month**
during term-time in the old
Visitor Reception, next to the
Sixth Form Centre, from
9am to 10am and 3pm to 4pm.

SAVE money, **REDUCE** waste, **HELP** the environment. Ask in school for details.

Head of House Awards

The Head of House Awards were
awarded to:



Ruby-Rose
Arthav
Joel
Sidiqa
Megan

News from the Library

What a fabulous term it's been - but what a busy one, too! We definitely feel that we've earned a rest over the next couple of weeks ... although with small children at home it may not actually feel very restful for us!

We're hoping to have even better clubs in the Library next term, with a big focus on Pokemon coming up; here's what to expect in week one...

Chillout Monday:

Mrs Dearden's Book Club (F17)

Chess Club

After school on Monday:

Dungeons & Dragons

Rowdy Tuesday:

Last Word (a word game where you're trying to have the last say)

After school on Tuesday:

Drop in

Geeky Wednesday:

Learn to play the Pokemon TCG (Trading Card Game)

Sporty Thursday:

Match Attax

After school on Thursday:

Drop in

Creative Friday:

Lego building challenge

I hope you have a fun, sunny (fingers crossed!), relaxing and refreshing break - maybe even enjoying a book or two ... or three - and come back ready for some fun - and Pokemon. We can't wait to see you again!

Mr Spencer and Mrs Dearden
Librarians

Careers Fair

Thursday saw our annual Careers Fair event held in our theatre.

20 organisations attended including employers, the army, training providers, colleges and universities.

We were so pleased that local companies sent along representatives from JLR, , AJA Architects, Kite Packaging, The Hill Group and the British Dressage organisation to name a few.

Universities were represented by the University of Birmingham, the University of Warwick , De Montford University and Keele University.

Also present were Future Pro Football Academy, the Warwickshire Institute of Sport and local training providers including JBC Training, Chamber Training and the Warwickshire Garage Training organisation.

Both Warwickshire and Coventry College were in attendance as well as the Ministry of Defence and the Civil Service.

Mrs Evans, our Careers Adviser, who organised the event, said “ I am delighted that such a vast range of organisations gave their time to attend Meadow Park School . This was such a good experience for our students to talk to organisations and find out about what was on offer to them in terms of apprenticeships and courses, post-16. I have had some excellent feedback from both students and stand holders alike”.



Mrs Evans
Careers Advisor

Coventry HAF

Holiday Activities and
Food Programme 2025

What is HAF?

HAF is a national Department for Education funded programme that enables eligible children and young people to attend free activities and experiences with free nutritional food provided. HAF activities and experiences take place in the Easter, Summer and Christmas school holidays.



Who is eligible?

[HAF eligibility](#)

Helpful links and resources for schools

[Coventry City Council HAF homepage](#)

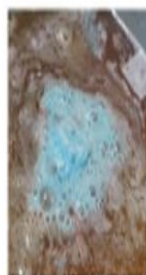
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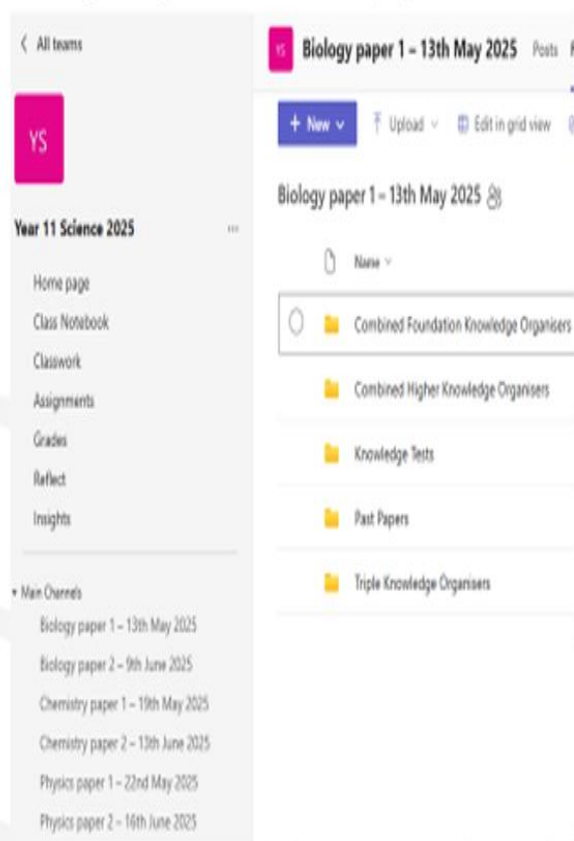


Growing Aspirations— Well done and a reminder for Year 11's

Well done to Science Club for making their Bath Bombs



Year 11 – A reminder that all of you have access to the Microsoft teams Page with Past papers and Knowledge Organisers to help your revision



Well done to Year 13 BTEC Applied Science for their Chicken Leg Dissection



Growing Aspirations– Sports Updates

The KS4 Boys Basketball team lost in the final to Caludon Castle by 16 points. The lads did extremely well to get back into the game after a slow start. Well done to everyone who participated and thank you to all the students and teachers that came down to show support.

School Trampoline Competition:

This is the first year Meadow Park School have entered a trampolining competition. 5 students competed against 3 other schools. This was a solo event, where the students were required to learn a routine in either beginner, intermediate or advance and then perform it in front of judges and other students.

All the students to exceptionally well and represented Meadow Park School well.

Grace-Louise Clarke came 1st place in the advance section.

The Year 8 Boys football team lost in the final this week to Bishop Ullathorne. The boys took a 2-0 lead into half time. However, Bishop came out strong in the second half and won the game 4-2. Massive well done to all the lads who took part in the game.

Player of the match: Saad

This half term the PE team have managed to compete in over 35 fixtures!

Massive well done to all students have represented the school in the sporting events.

Mr Kandola and the PE Department

HEALTH & WELLBEING



EVE FRASER
PHYSICAL AND
MENTAL HEALTH
LEAD

Teenage Booster Vaccinations are due!

The Coventry Immunisation team will be in school on the 6th of May 2025 to deliver the teenage booster immunisations to all year 9, 10 and 11 students who have consented.

Please check your emails over the Easter break and complete the consent form



Coventry Team

Email: Bewise.Immunise@covworkpt.nhs.uk

Tel: 02476 961 422



**IMMUNISATION TEAM
KEEPING YOU SAFE**

Year 11 Prom

Payment is due by Friday 9th May to ensure you have a ticket, payable via ParentPay.

Please see Mrs Symon if you need more information.



New Parent App and School Communication

Please sign up to our new parent portal MyChildAtSchool (MCAS).



DON'T FORGET to enable push notifications for the MyChildAtSchool app on your phone so you can see all emails and letters the school sends you.

All schools in the Trust are using Bromcom and MCAS so for Meadow Park School, it means MCAS replaces School Synergy.

MCAS is now live, so as soon as you sign up you will be able to see your child's information. As School Synergy is linked to our old MIS it is no longer updating, therefore in order to view your child's timetable, see their attendance and behaviour points you will need to sign up to MCAS.

You have access to all the same information as you had in School Synergy. MCAS allows us to securely share your child's/children's achievement points, attendance, school reports, letters and school diary whenever you wish. The portal also provides general useful information about the school such as flash announcements. This will be our **primary means of communication** with you, from now on. Please make sure you enable notifications for MCAS as this is the way we will send you emails and letters.

To login to the MCAS Parent Portal, we have enabled you to 'self-sign on'. All you will need for this is your email address that the school has on record for you. Enter the school postcode CV34BD (without a space) or use our identifier 15028. Search for Meadow Park School.

School Communication

All communication from school is now via Bromcom and if you sign up to the parent portal MCAS then you will receive notifications from the school via the app. You can view all letters and emails, past and present, in MCAS. If you don't have the app then you will receive a normal email. Please add '15028@bromcomcloud.com' to your address book in order to prevent messages being blocked by your spam/junk filters.

How to Self-Sign Up for Parents

Parents and carers can access the MCAS Parent Login screen in two ways:

1. From within your web browser type **www.mychildatschool.com**
2. Download the free **MyChildAtSchool** parent app from either the Apple App Store or Google Play.

When you use the parent portal for the first time you will need to Sign-Up. Full instructions have been emailed home or they can be found on our website.

If you require any assistance logging in for the first time, please contact the School Office by emailing admin@meadowparkschool.com or telephone 02476 302580.

Uniform



Green school blazer



Grey school sweater



Tie



School shoes guidance

Plain black with no logos
No high heels, 'sliders', boots, sling back or open-toed shoes
Black leather or leather effect

TRAINERS AND CANVAS SHOES (VANS/CONVERSE) ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE



Summer Term 2025

Term Starts	Monday 28th April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May
Half Term	Saturday 24th May – June 1st June
Last Day of Term	Friday 18th July
Summer Holiday Starts	Saturday 19th July



Easter is nearly here and we know you are looking forward to all of that chocolate! If you want some inspiration for activities that the family may be able to take part in over the break – please visit: <https://cvlife.co.uk/childrens-activities/childrens-half-term/> or <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/haf>

When it comes to keeping the kids busy at home, often the go-to are their favourite devices and some children will be looking forward to spending longer online, with their friends, playing online games. There always has to be a balance, but gaming can be a really positive activity for lots of reasons. But as we all know there are lots of risks and issues.

Internet Matters has a brilliant guide (attached) for parents which goes into lots of detail in relation to balancing gaming with other activities, setting up consoles correctly, connecting with others and much more. So now is a good time to read through and check you are feeling confident with the rules and restrictions you have on the devices at home.

Needing some support over the Easter break? – Please remember to visit the safeguarding section on the school's website. Here you can find information about Early Help and the Family hubs as well as contact details for services such as the local food banks and sources for advice around debts or housing: <https://meadowparkschool.com/for-parents/safeguarding/>



Stay Safe and have a great Easter!



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