# Newsletter



#### Message from the Headteacher

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

We are excited to announce that Meadow Park School has launched new social media accounts to help keep our families more informed and engaged throughout the year. These platforms will be used to share important updates, celebrate student achievements, highlight upcoming events and give you an insight into the day-to-day activities on the school site.

Please take a moment to follow us:

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/Meadowparkschoolcoventry

Instagram: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/mead-owparkschoolcoventry?igsh=N2ZwdjFqanUzd2lr">https://www.instagram.com/mead-owparkschoolcoventry?igsh=N2ZwdjFqanUzd2lr</a>

By following these accounts, you'll ensure that you never miss important announcements or school highlights.

We look forward to connecting with you online!

This week our assemblies have focused on respect and keeping everyone safe, linked to the White Ribbon campaign. It is important to us that we teach tolerance and respect and remind students to speak up when they see something that is not ok.

Today we have had visitors in school from an organisation looking at air pollution in the UK and sustainability. Our Eco Students are part of a pilot to see how we can further educate our society about keeping the environment clean. Our visitors were very complimentary Students found the session very interesting when they learnt how air is measured for pollution and different approaches to sustainability. I look forward to hearing more from them in the future.

I would like to thank all of you who have donated to our Christmas tombola and raffle for our first Christmas Fayre which is a week tomorrow. I look forward to seeing you all there!

I wish you a lovely weekend.

With best wishes

Mrs Pettman Headteacher





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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, preloved 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.

#### Oper

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.



#### Revision Guides

Key Stage 4 revision guides are now available to purchase on Parent Pay. These revision guides have been selected by the school as the best one for the course that your child is studying. We are able to offer 'schools' price' on many of the revision guides, making them cheaper than book shops and Amazon. If you need a log in for Parent Pay, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance.

#### Prom - Wednesday 24th June 2026

As you know this year's Year 11 prom will be at Coombe Abbey. If your child has not yet signed up there is still a chance to do so. Please try to sign up before 12th December 2025. If you are in receipt of certain benefits you can apply for a reduced ticket price. Again, please contact the school if this is the case.

This is definitely a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity because your child will only leave secondary school once! Please contact Mrs Secker if you have any further questions about prom.

# Mrs Secker Assistant Headteacher

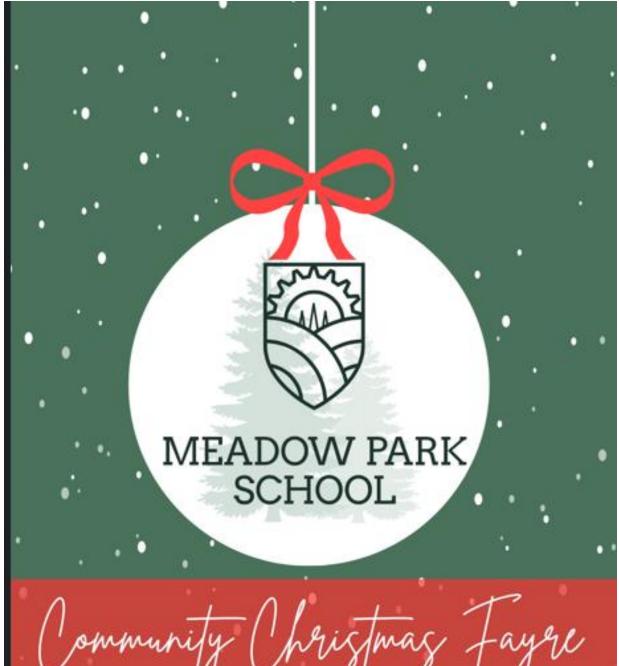
#### Dear parents and carers

We are so happy to announce that the Coventry Children's Boot Fund are back up and running and OPEN for business!

We are elated to be able to start helping families once again in Coventry with our new supplier of shoes - Clarks

If you think you are eligible for support, please speak to Mrs Carr, Headteacher's PA or your child's Head or Deputy of House and they will issue you with an application form for completion. The first deadline of this academic year is Thursday 11th December so that vouchers may be issued to families before Christmas.

### Mr Perris Senior Leader for Personal Development



# I ommunity Christmas Fayre

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 11am - 1pm

Raffle · Christmas Crafts · Free Activities · Meet Santa · Toy Sale · Refreshments · & Much More!





Free breakfast is available at Meadow Park School 8.20—8.45.

In the diner

Students can help themselves to

Toasted Bagels, Toast, Crumpets and a

selection of cereals.

From Monday 1st December

Students will be able to add beans to their toasted items

or enjoy a bowl of hot porridge.

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

## Christmas Dinner Students

Wednesday 17th December

Roast Turkey

With all the trimmings

Lentil roast

Roast Potatoes

Baton carrots

Brussel sprouts

Roast parsnips

Yule Log

Christmas Pudding

Meal Deal

£2.75

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### Are you entitled?

If you do not qualify for most benefits (also known as having 'no recourse to public funds'), your child may still be eligible for free school meals.

Contact school or the local authority to find out more.

We can help you apply online.
Ask for details.

Do you know if you qualify for additional support?
Please speak to a member of the House Team to see what support might be available.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- ⇒ Income Support
- ⇒ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- ⇒ Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- ⇒ Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ⇒ The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- ⇒ Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- ⇒ Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- ⇒ Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

As a school, we can offer food parcels to families.



# Help us to raise free funds as you shop this Christmas

Every Christmas present you buy is a present for

#### Finham Park Multi Academy Trust



Scan the QR code to make a difference every time you shop online Visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk





- Visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk
- Sign up and search for us
- Your favourite retailers donate to us whenever you shop with them

#### Get free donations from thousands of retailers including:





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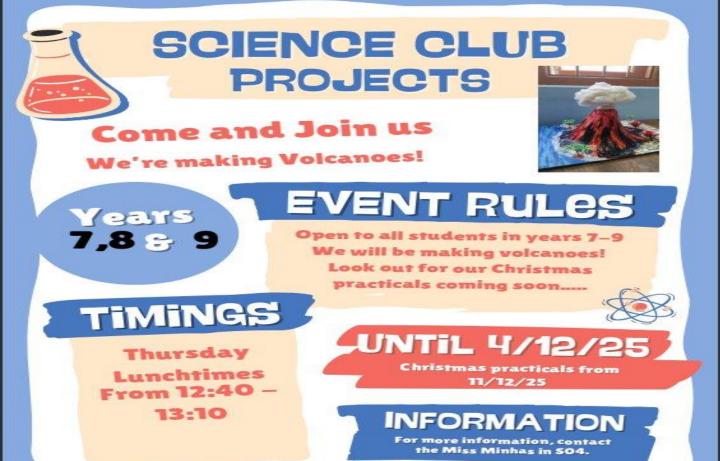












# **Cooking Club**

Please come and join us for some fun cooking sessions.

We will be making different meals, street food or sweet treats for you to take home and enjoy!

#### **Dates Autum 2 Term**

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December

#### Times:

3.15pm - 4:00pm

#### Location:

F22 Food Room







Places are limited to the <u>12</u> students in Year 7,8,9
For further information please <u>come and see Mrs</u> Haley – Food Technician
Please also bring a container with you!

# Head of House Awards The Head of House Awards were awarded last week and this week to:











William

Zain

Oscar and Aleks

Cherif

Fenton



**EVERY TUESDAY** 





3:15PM - 4PM



Receive support from staff to complete your homework each week.







Term 1	Lunch time challenge	Weekly competition
W/C 1.9.25	House Team	Tutor board
W/C 8.9.25	PE	Maths
W/C 15.9.25	History/ RE	Sociology/Psychology/H&SC
W/C 22.9.25	Geography/ PSHE	Food/Art/DT
W/C 29.9.25	English	Science
W/C 6.10.25	Music/ Drama	The Orchard
W/C 13.10.25	Languages	IT/ Business
W/C 20.10.25	Overall results (assembly) and Celebration Week	
W/C	Half Term	
W/C 3.11.25	Maths	PE
W/C 10.11.25	Sociology/ Psychology/H&SC	History/RE
W/C 17.11.25	Food/Art/DT	Geography/PSHE
W/C 24.11.25	Science	English
W/C 1.12.25	The Orchard	Music/Drama
W/C 8.12.25	IT/ Business	Languages
W/C 15.12.25	Overall results (assembly) and Celebration Week	
W/C	Holidays	
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#### Lunch time challenge:

- Will run in the quad/outside area or in the theatre if wet
- Will run every Friday lunchtime
- House v House
- Playing for individual prize/certificate
- House songs playing

#### Weekly competition:

- Will be launched in the Headteachers assembly
- Entries will need to be handed in by the next Thursday for judging ready for the winners to be announced in the following Headteachers assembly
- Worth BIG house points which contribute to the House Cup!

#### Parent App and School Communication

Please sign up to our 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.

MCAS allows us to securely share your child's achievement points, attendance, behaviour, school reports, letters and school diary whenever you wish. This is our primary means of communication with you, so 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.

#### How to Self-Sign Up for Parents

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



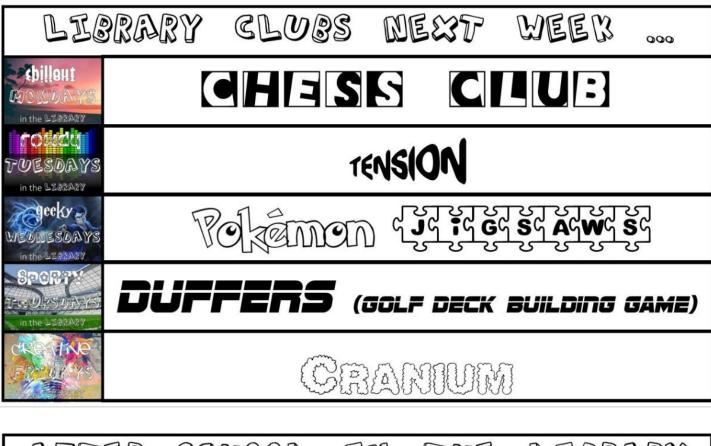
- From within your web browser type www.mychildatschool.com or scan the QR code
- Download the free MyChildAtSchool parent app from either the Apple App Store or Google Play.

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

#### School Communication

All communication from school is 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 require any assistance logging in for the first time, please contact the School Office by emailing admin@meadowparkschool.com or telephone 02476 302580.





Mr Spencer
Librarian and English Teacher

## **Growing Aspirations Sports Updates**

A massive congratulations to our Year 8 football team, who secured an impressive 6–3 victory against Blue Coat in a local derby match. It was a fantastic performance from start to finish, and the whole team should be incredibly proud. Well done to everyone involved!

Goal scorers: Sedad x3, Brualio 1, Micheal 1.

A massive well done as well to our Year 7 football team, who took part in two tough fixtures this week—one against Lyng Hall and one against Caludon Castle. Although the results didn't go their way, the boys showed great determination, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout. They represented the school brilliantly and we're all very proud of their efforts.

The Y7 girls' basketball team have played 2 fixtures in their league, one against Barrs Hill and one against Cardinal Wiseman. Considering this is the first time the girls have played in a competitive basketball fixture, they all played amazing and should be really proud. They won one game and lost the other.

The Y8/9 girls basketball team have played 2 fixtures in their league, one against President Kennedy and one against Cardinal Wiseman. The girls won one game and missed out on the win in the second fixture against a very competitive Cardinal Wiseman side.

The7 girls attended a HADO event (VR Dodgeball), the girls competed against 9 other schools. They all played extremely well and represented Meadow Park School with pride. Well done girls for your effort!

The Y8 Netball team played in 2 fixtures one against West Coventry Academy and one against Barrs Hill. The girls won both fixtures which is a fantastic achievement – they should be really proud. I look forward to seeing how they do in their upcoming fixtures.

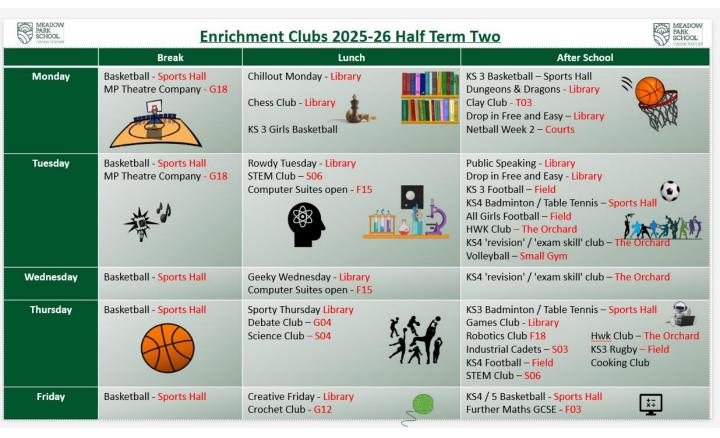
### **Growing Aspirations– Sports Updates**

Thank you to the students who have already handed in their sports leaders' applications, more information will follow at the end of next week.

#### **Upcoming Fixtures:**

KS4 Basketball V Bablake (Home) 28.11.25 Year 8/9 Girls basketball V Stoke Park (Home) 2.12.25 KS3 Basketball V Nicholas Chamberlain (Home) 3.12.25 Year 7 Sports indoor sports Athletics competition 5.12.25

Mr Kandola Curriculum Leader for PE





# Join the Duke of Edinburgh at Meadow Park school.



If you are interested and would like more information please speak to: Mrs Cresswell and Mrs Webb.



DofE Website

# Are Your Contact Details Up-To-Date?

Moved House? Changed Phone Number?

contact school via admin@meadowparkschool.com to update them today.

### REMINDERS







# 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



#### School Term Dates 2025/26

#### Autumn Term 2025

Teacher Training Day	Monday 1 September
Term Starts (Students Return)	Tuesday 2 September
Teacher Training Day	Friday 24 October
Half Term	Saturday 25 October to Sunday 2 November
Teacher Training Day	Friday 21 November
Last Day of Term	Friday 19 December
Christmas Holiday	Saturday 20 December to Sunday 4 January

#### Spring Term 2026

Teacher Training Days	Monday 5 and Tuesday 6 January
Term Starts	Wednesday 7 January
Half Term	Saturday 14 February to Sunday 23 February
Last Day of Term	Friday 27 March
Easter Holiday	Saturday 28 March to Sunday 12 April

#### Summer Term 2026

Term Starts	Monday 13 April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 4 May
Half Term	Saturday 23 May to Sunday 31 May
Last Day of Term	Friday 17 July

#### Social Media SPOTLIGHT





Twitch - Is a popular streaming platform/ app often used by gamers. This has been used by extremists / radicalizers— with them streaming gameplay for a while first. Having people often watching Twitch through headphones means that parents and carers can see what appears to be normal gameplay but wouldn't hear that audio- which can be expressing harmful views and political opinions.

As with all Apps – they aren't inherently bad but can be used for bad things.

CHECK WHAT YOUR CHILD IS VIEWING and LISTENING TO

# WHITE RIBBON

#### Parents and Carers of boys - Worth a Watch:

Vodaphone have created a video exploring AI 'Aggro-rithims': young boys are served harmful content within 60 seconds of being online.



search 'the rise of aggro-rithim' on YouTube

At Meadow Park we stand against violence and abuse of all kinds, this year we have joined up to support the White Ribbon Campaign to prevent violence against women and girls. When we all work to change the harmful attitudes and behaviours towards women and girls — everyone benefits. For More information please visit Whiteribbon.org.uk



'I speak up by not laughing at sexist 'jokes' or 'banter'.' 'I speak up by backing up others who call something out."

'I speak up by removing myself from group chats where sexist comments are made.' 'I speak up by saying 'that's not on' if someone says something disrespectful towards women.' DID YOU KNOW...

THAT NOV 25<sup>th</sup> is not only White Ribbon Day but the start of.....

Coventry comes together to support 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence – Coventry City Council









Paul Rule
Child Protection Officer



THRIVING TOGETHER