

Newsletter



MEADOW PARK
SCHOOL

Message from the Headteacher

This week, we were delighted to welcome visitors from Whitley Abbey Primary School, and it was a real privilege to share Meadow Park with them. Our visitors were genuinely blown away by what they saw, commenting on the purposeful yet warm atmosphere in classrooms, the calm and respectful environment around the school, and, most importantly, the happiness and confidence shown by our students. It was wonderful to hear such positive feedback from colleagues who know the importance of creating the right conditions for young people to thrive.

During their visit, the Headteacher reflected that what they had witnessed was a direct result of our culture and the strong sense of belonging that exists across the school. They remarked that people often underestimate just how important culture is in a school community, and I could not agree more. While facilities, curriculum and outcomes are all important, it is the shared values, relationships and expectations that truly shape the daily experiences of our students and staff. Just as importantly, this culture is strengthened by the partnership we share with our families. Thank you to all Year 7 families who attended our Progress Evening last night. Your engagement and support play a vital role in helping

students thrive, and we greatly value the strong relationships we build together.

One of Meadow Park's greatest strengths is our ability to create an inclusive and welcoming environment where everyone feels they belong, whilst maintaining high expectations, clear routines and the highest aspirations for every student. As our school continues to grow and we welcome more families into our community, I am excited for others to experience what we see every day: a school where warmth and ambition go hand in hand, and where every young person is supported to achieve their very best. I would also like to remind families that our Heads of House, House Leaders and Tutors are always happy to help and support. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions, concerns or information to share; working together is key to ensuring every child achieves success.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Bernadette Pettman
Headteacher

Nurturing Excellence, Growing Aspiration, Thriving Together



FINHAM PARK
MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

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NURTURING EXCELLENCE ATTENDANCE AWARDS



	ELITE ATTENDANCE	
BEST ATTENDANCE TUTOR GROUP	ORBIS 124	MOST IMPROVED TUTOR GROUP
Orbis 5: 98.5%	FULMEN 114	Sol 1: +4.9%
Orbis 6: 97.1%	SOL 113	Orbis 5: +4.7%
ST12B: 96.7%	LUNAR 111	Lunar 6: +2.6



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ATTENDANCE SUPPORT

The school works with families to understand and **remove barriers** to attendance.

SUPPORT MAY INCLUDE:



MEETINGS

We offer meetings to listen, understand and work together to find solutions.



ATTENDANCE PLANS

We create personalised attendance plans to support your child's success.



REFERRALS TO EXTERNAL SERVICES

We can refer your family to external services for additional support when needed.

Together, we can *achieve better attendance* and brighter futures.

ATTEND TODAY, **ACHIEVE TOMORROW!**

Attendance Matters at Meadow Park

We're committed to working alongside families to understand and remove barriers to attendance. From supportive meetings to personalised attendance plans and external support, we're here to help every child succeed.

Together, we can achieve better attendance and brighter futures. If you're experiencing challenges that are affecting your child's attendance, please contact your child's house team.

SCIENCE AMBASSADOR

KS5 Science Ambassadors.

Congratulations to our new KS5 Science ambassadors:

Aminah Alam
Oliver Rugg
Rifatur Rahman

We cannot wait to see your ideas implemented – well done on successful interviews.



Biology

Chemistry

Physics

BTEC
Applied
Science

CAREERS

Year 11 & Year 13

SEVERN TRENT WORK EXPERIENCE 2026

Severn Trent's 4-Day Work Experience Programme gives you the chance to get behind the scenes and explore exciting careers in:

-  Sustainability
-  Engineering
-  Environmental Management
-  Employability & Career Skills

WHAT YOU'LL GET

- Real insight into the world of work
- Opportunities to develop valuable employability skills
- Experience across different careers and industries
- The chance to meet professionals and discover where your interests could take you

KEY DATES

Applications: 31 August – 25 September 2026

Programme dates:

19–22 October 2026

OR

26–29 October 2026

If you're considering your options after Year 11 or Year 13, this could be your opportunity to gain experience, build confidence and explore your future.

Apply via the Severn Trent Work Experience website
or register your interest to be notified when applications open.

 Questions?

Workexperience@severntrent.co.uk



PARENTS & CARER'S OF YEAR 11! (& YEAR 10 IF YOU WOULD LIKE A HEAD START)

1



REVISION GUIDES ON MCAS

Next week revision guides for all of your child's GCSE and BTEC subjects will be added to MCAS - a letter will be sent by email as soon as they are available. It is important that you check with your child which subjects and tiers they are studying to make sure that you order the correct revision guides as we are unable to offer refunds. Our revision guides are non-profit and are much cheaper than book shops and Amazon.

2



AFTER SCHOOL INTERVENTION & REVISION CLASSES

After-school intervention and revision classes will start the week beginning **Monday 5th October** and a timetable will be sent out next week.

3



PROM DEPOSIT

Finally, it's not too late to pay your deposit for Prom - it will be amazing - and you can do this on MCAS

**** Thank you for your support in making sure our **
** students and your child get the best results! ****
Mrs Secker

GROWING ASPIRATION SPORTS UPDATE

UPCOMING FIXTURES...

Growing Aspirations– Sports Updates



Upcoming fixtures:

Monday 28th September – Y7 Rugby Festival at Finham Park School

Tuesday 29th September – Y8 Rugby Festival at Finham Park School

Monday 5th October – Cross Country all years at Finham Park School

Tuesday 6th October – Bell Boating practice at Coventry Canal

Thursday 8th October – Y8 Football v PK (Home CUP)

There will be no rugby or netball club next week, as fixtures are taking place on those days.



CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Chloe Morris-Kindred (Fulmen 1) who achieved a number of medals in a taekwondo championship in Italy.

Also, congratulations to Bethany Morris-Kindred (Fulmen 1) who did very well at the same championships

GROWING ASPIRATION

SPORTS UPDATE

Well done to all the students who took part in the Cross-Country Competition at Finham Park School on Monday 21st September. We are extremely proud of the effort, determination and resilience you all showed in completing such a challenging race. A special mention goes to Harry for winning the KS4 race — he ran exceptionally well and thoroughly deserved his victory. Fantastic effort, everyone!



Our Year 7 students have been out this week developing their skills and learning how to paddle a bell boat alongside their peers. It required plenty of teamwork, communication and coordination, but they did a fantastic job and showed great enthusiasm throughout. We look forward to seeing how they perform when they take part in a competition later this year!



We wanted to share that a new social media platform called Lemon8 appears to be a risk for young people. It is a sister app to TikTok owned by the same people. Given it is so similar, it also opens up doors of online harm to our young people such as;

No Parental Controls: The app has no built-in tools for parents to set screen time limits, filter content, or monitor activity.

Aesthetic Pressure: Feeds focus heavily on dieting, beauty routines, and curated perfection, which can negatively impact young adolescent mental health and self-image.

Easy Bypass of Age Rules: Age verification relies entirely on a self-reported birthdate, meaning a child can easily create an account.

Stranger Interaction: While direct messaging is limited, public comment sections allow strangers to interact with posts



Online Safety Quiz



The NSPCC have created this quiz to test your child's knowledge on how to stay safe online. It's a great way to start a conversation with your child about their online life. You can access the quiz here: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/quiz/>

WhatsApp Usernames

WhatsApp is introducing the use of usernames, so people no longer have to share their phone number. Wayne Denner provides an overview of the new features, what you need to consider and steps you can take here:

<https://www.waynedenner.com/whatsapp-usernames-what-parents-need-to-know/>



A guide for parents and carers on managing children's digital lives

The Children's Commissioner has published this guide to help you support your child and make starting conversations about their online world easier. It's a useful read:

<https://assets.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/wpuploads/2025/12/cc-what-i-wish-parent-guide.pdf>



These services and organisations offer free expert support and advice. If you have a question, contact info@parentzone.org.uk

Parent Zone Crisis Messenger: If you or a member of your family is experiencing a mental health crisis and need immediate help, the [Parent Zone Crisis Messenger](#) – powered by our trusted partners Shout and Crisis Text Line – is available 24/7 and will connect you to a trained volunteer. Text PARENTZONE to 85258 to get help.



VoiceBox: An international youth led platform with content from young creators in over 40 countries. [VoiceBox](#) covers a diverse range of topics from struggles with education to understanding health conditions. It doesn't include any of the high risk functionality of social media sites and doesn't allow comments. All of the content is fact checked before publication so if you want to guide your young person to high quality near peer content this is a great option.



LOOKING FOR FAMILY DAYS OUT?

HEAD TO COVENTRY ROCKS FOR THE BEST IDEAS FOR FAMILY FUN!

[CLICK HERE TO START BROWSING!](#)



Five ways to help keep your child safe from online challenges

Stay interested

Ask about what your child enjoys watching online and the creators they follow.



02



Teach them to pause

Encourage them to stop and think before joining in, sharing or filming a challenge.

Talk about peer pressure

Help them understand that online pressure can feel just as powerful as face-to-face pressure.



04



Remind them it's okay to say no

Reassure them that walking away or leaving a group chat is always an option.

Keep communication open

Let them know they can always come to you if something doesn't feel right.



Useful App for Safety!

A useful App that has a FREE level of use, enabling families to have shared accounts that can track and monitor each other to ensure you know where your family are at all times in case of an emergency. There are enhanced features (at a cost) but this app has proven itself popular with families – so please take a look and see if it's right for you.

<https://www.life360.com/uk/>



DISCOVER MUSIC AT MEADOW PARK!

BRASS & WOODWIND LESSONS

Ever wanted to learn how to play an instrument?

Now is your chance! We are offering exciting brass and woodwind music lessons for students at Meadow Park School.

WHY GET INVOLVED?

- Learn a brand-new skill
- Have fun and make music
- Build confidence
- Develop your creativity
- Meet other students who love music
- Learn from experienced music tutors



LESSONS START

Week commencing **28th September**

Lessons will take place during the school day, with instruments provided.

INSTRUMENTS AVAILABLE

- Flute
- Clarinet
- Trumpet
- Cornet
- Trombone

FULLY FUNDED TO START!

Your first 10 music sessions will be **FREE**, funded by Meadow Park School.

After the first 10 sessions, parents/carers will have the opportunity to continue lessons by taking over payment directly with Coventry City Council.



SIGN UP & START YOUR MUSICAL JOURNEY!

Speak to Mr Lowe in Music to be added onto the sign up sheet

Alongside Coventry Music we are offering 10 weeks of free instrument lessons for 50 pupils.

25 slots are available for **Brass: Cornet, Trumpet and Trombone.**

25 slots are available for **Woodwind: Clarinet and Flute.**

Pupils from Year 7 through to Year 10 can register their interest with me (Mr Lowe) in T01. It will be first come first serve, lessons will take place in school time, and the loan of the instrument is also included as free. It's an insanely incredible opportunity for pupils to get their hands on an instrument and learn.

Calendar Art Competition

Following on from our success of the Meadow Park School Art calendar. We are running our calendar front page competition again. This year we would like to feature one winning students art work on the front cover of the calendar. The piece of art work submitted should encapsulate the values of Meadow Park School: Nurturing Excellence, Growing Aspirations, and Thriving Together and could feature the logo, building or uniform as well as being inspired by the grounds that the school is set in.

Your entry should be A4 in size

Any medium can be used , mixed media is encouraged.

Please hand your entries to any of the Art & Design team with your full name, year group and tutor group on the back of the art work.

Closing Date 11.10.2024



Nurturing excellence
Growing aspiration
Thriving together

Health & Wellbeing



Connect

In School...

We all need connection. Spending time with people who make us feel good, being part of a community, and having someone to talk to can all help us feel happier, supported and that we belong.

In school

School is a place where we can build connections every day. The library can be a great place for this – not only for reading, but also a calm, welcoming place to spend time, discover new interests and share ideas with others. Clubs, activities, lessons and simply saying hello to someone new can all help us feel that we belong.

By Yourself...

Making time for the things you enjoy can help you connect with yourself as well as others. Try keeping a journal to write down your thoughts, feelings or things that you are grateful for.

Drawing, music or making things can also be a great way to express yourself and switch off.

Connection doesn't have to be complicated – sending a message, sharing a laugh or asking someone how they are can all make a difference.

If you would like to promote any community event/ service please let us know

Community/ Events-

Coventry Boys and Girls Club

<https://www.covboysandgirlsclub.co.uk/>

Coventry Rocks

<https://www.coventryrocks.co.uk/>

YMCA Youth group in Willenhall

<https://www.coventryrocks.co.uk/things-to-do/ymca-willenhall>

Access Support-



MP-Wellbeing@meadowparkschool.com



Health and Wellbeing



To support the Physical and Mental Health/ Wellbeing of students at Meadow Park the school offers:

- Counselling
- Group Interventions
- Short/Long term Adaptations e.g. Lift Pass
- Referrals to external specialist support e.g. The Mental Health in Schools Team (MHST)
- Mentoring
- Health Care Plans

How to access support for your child.-

Email: **MP-Wellbeing@meadowparkschool.com**

Or Use the QR code to make ask for support online

Key Staff

Physical and Mental Health Lead-

Eve Fraser

School Counsellors-

David Byrne Jo Sparrow



Protect your child from flu

The School Immunisation Team need your correct contact details



Have your email address or mobile phone number changed within the last year? If so, please get in touch with your team:

Coventry schools:

- ✉ bewise.immunise@covwarkpt.nhs.uk
- ☎ 02476 961422

North Warwickshire schools:

- ✉ NorthImms@covwarkpt.nhs.uk
- ☎ 02476 321550

South Warwickshire schools:

- ✉ SouthImms@covwarkpt.nhs.uk
- ☎ 01926 353899

CLUBS

Starts Friday
2nd October



What's on this week?

LIBRARY CLUBS NEXT WEEK ...	
	TOURNAMENT ARC
	
	FUNKOVERSE
	♥ TTG: HEARTS ♥
	TOM GATES COLOURING

AFTER SCHOOL IN THE LIBRARY	
	Dungeons & Dragons club Everyone welcome; no experience needed!
	GAMES CLUB

COMING
SOON

COMING SOON



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FANTASY
PREMIER
LEAGUE

Want to know more?
Speak to Mr Spencer
in the **LIBRARY**.

You are given a virtual
£100 MILLION ...

Spend it on the very
BEST players ...

Pick your best **TEAM** for
each weekend's matches ...

Watch your players earn
points for you by playing

in the



**Premier
League**

SPEAK TO
MR. SPENCER

NEW TO THE LIBRARY

Tell us what
you
want to
see in the
LIBRARY!



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