



NEWSLETTER

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A message from our Chair of Governors.....

How time flies - the end of another school year is just around the corner and the thought of a well-deserved summer break is on everyone's mind.

We want to thank all parents, pupils and staff for another fantastic year of achievement; not just academically but in whole school activities. Participation in every aspect from breakfast club to after school clubs is increasing and that takes commitment from everyone - well done.

This time is always tinged with a bit of sadness as our year 6 pupils' move on to their secondary schools - we love to hear how everyone has thrived and are ready for new challenges. Those year 6 pupils and their parents should look back on their time at Meadow Farm and the teachers and staff they have interacted with over these formative years with fondness.

Sadly, Mr Fisher is leaving Meadow Farm for a new challenge - we wish him every success for the future.

As some leave, others join or return - we are pleased to be welcoming Mrs Eaton back following maternity and welcoming Mrs Bradley to school as a new starter. Miss Stevenson is joining us on a full time contract.

It isn't just children that have been sitting exams - many teachers have been involved in professional development to learn new skills to benefit the school and to enhance learning. One of the highlights is Mrs Eyre's achievement - after much hard work she has achieved a leadership National Professional Qualification for Executive Headship. Other staff have also recently achieved highly with Mrs Jackson and Mr Fisher completing their teaching induction and Miss Graves has become a School Mental Health First Aider.

Thanks to everyone's involvement we continue to achieve a high standard in the academic curriculum and we are especially proud of our Gold Award in Sport - we are close to achieving a Platinum award which will be a first in the area. Brilliant effort - well done.

An enormous thank you must go to all those involved in fundraising and volunteering to raise lots of funds and provide opportunities for our children and to provide equipment that the budget cannot cover. Highlights include brilliant work by Miss Graves, who raised nearly £1,000 during the sponsored rainbow walk to purchase new playground equipment. Miss Iram fundraised for all of her Year 3 Egyptian assembly costumes and props. I must not to forget my favourite - ice cream sales on a Friday have raised over £500 and counting which been used to purchase a new speaker. These collective efforts are simply astounding and shows the spirit of Meadow Farm as more than a place of education.

In September, we'll also be welcoming the first two year olds to start their Meadow Farm journey nice and early - new facilities are being prepared in anticipation of a new group. Parents - please let all your friends with younger children know that Meadow Farm can take two year olds in the new school year (and of course that it's a great little school). It should be recognised that our Office Manager, Mrs Hamblin, has done a great job on getting the necessary equipment and fencing ready for this.

To repeat, on behalf of the Governing Body thanks to everyone involved in making Meadow Farm a really Good school, so everyone, have a lovely summer break. Hopefully, the sun will shine most of the time so that it feels like a holiday as before you know it we'll be into a new school year.

David Allan
Chair of Governors



A message from Mrs Eyre.....

What an absolutely amazing year it has been! We have crammed in so much learning and more importantly, fun! We always love taking part in our school trips, meeting visitors and showcasing our talents on stage and at sporting events.

The highlight this year has been pupil's growing interest in playing rugby; this always puts a smile on my face. This year we have tried our hand at gardening and hopefully, this will develop in the new school year. I also enjoyed watching the senior team take part in the stocks; it appeared to be a very popular game at the summer fayre!

I hope your child has made many memorable moments this year at our school. As we say a fond farewell to our year 6 pupils, we look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Monday 8th September alongside our new class of reception pupils.

Reminders.....

We have two inset days on the 4th and 5th of September. The first day back for pupils will be the 8th September at 8.40am. Staff will be taking part in safeguarding training and a mental health and wellbeing support refresher.

Safeguarding.....

If you have any safeguarding concerns for a child over the summer holidays please email our school safeguarding email address: safeguarding@meadowfarm.derby.sch.uk

For urgent cases where a young person is in immediate danger please call 999 .For any other concerns please contact Derby City Council social care on 01332 641172. The out of hours number is 01332 786968.

Coming up.....

DATES	EVENT
24.07.25	Last day of term
04.09.25	Inset day – School closed to pupils
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08.09.25	Pupils return to school
12.09.25	Year 5 DARRT workshop parent meeting
17.09.25	Year 5 DARRT workshop begins
02.10.25	The Book Bus in school – PM only
03.10.25	Year 4 Local area walk
14.10.25	Jane Stapleton Photographers in school – Individual and Siblings
27.10.25 – 31.10.25	Half term
11.11.25	Reception Height, weight, vision and hearing test
03.12.25	Year 1 Children's Country House at Sudbury Hall visit
10.12.25	Year 5 DARRT Graduation
16.12.25	Year 6 Height and weight check
19.12.25	Last day of term
05.01.26	Pupils return to school

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