



NEWSLETTER

NEWSLETTER NINE – 2nd February 2024

Value of the week.....

This week we have been focusing on how to problem solve with our value focussing on thinking critically. We have encouraged pupils to ask others for their opinions and how these may differ to our own. If opinions and answers differ, we have been encouraging pupils to ask why and how? This way of thinking is helpful for all areas and of learning and aid co-operation and collaboration.

Parent pay....

As we move forward with Parent Pay please look out for a letter that your child will be bringing home. This letter will have all of your sign up details on so it is very important. We are aiming to go live with Parent Pay ready for our return to school after half term. Once we are up and running we will no longer accept cash in the office. You can still pay cash at any pay point shop but you will need a barcode to enable you to do so. Please speak to the office to be provided with a copy of this barcode.

Parents evening.....

Please can you make sure you bring back your parent's evening slips if you have not already done so. Please hand them to your child's class teacher with your preferred date and time. Once we have all the slips back we will give you a slip back with your allocated time and date on. We want 100% of our parents to attend parent's evening as it is an important insight into your child's achievements so far this year.

EYFS superhero visit.....

The children in EYFS had a very exciting visitor on Monday! Our local PCSOs came to visit us, as they are real life superheroes! They told us all about the role of a police officer, showed us their uniform and they even let us try on some Police clothes! Thank you to our PCSOs for a fantastic visit.

Year 6s I can I will workshop.....

Year 6 had visitors from Safe and sound; a charity helping support young children. Safe and sound held a workshop to explore the difference between being a bystander and an active bystander and how their actions could change the situation. They also discussed the importance of online safety and how to be careful with any information they share. Pupils gave some fantastic responses and were thoroughly engaged in the session. Everyone felt they had learned something new and are now more aware of the dangers and consequences of their actions, whether it is online or in person.

Happy retirement.....

This week we have said goodbye to Mrs Poyser, our cleaner, who has been with Meadow Farm for over twenty years. Over the years, Mrs Poyser has been a wonderful member of staff and a much loved face around the school. On her last day we held a special assembly to say goodbye. This was filled with songs and Mrs Poyser shared her retirement plans with us. Mrs Poyser holds a special part in EYFS hearts as they lovingly know her as 'Nanny Ann' who comes and makes everywhere sparkle. Mrs Poyser will be greatly missed but it is now time for her to enjoy retirement!

Inset day.....

Please remember we have an inset day on 16th February. Staff will be learning more about how we can support our pupils to stay mentally fit and healthy. School will be closed to all pupils. Pupils will return to school on Monday 26th February.

Coffee morning.....

We have a parent coffee morning coming up on 12th February. Parents will be invited into classrooms to observe a fluency maths lesson with your child. Following this, there will be tea and coffee available in the hall. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible – our pupils always love it when you join them in lessons.

Year 3 Shardlow river trip.....

Year 3 really enjoyed their geography field trip to the confluence of the River Derwent and The River Trent. They walked down to the river mouth along the canal towpath and identified the features of the river that we could see. They then created a geographical sketch of the confluence and collected numerical data, using floating objects and a stop clock to calculate the speed of the water in the River Trent. Along the walk, pupils spotted lots of canal boats with interesting names and plenty of wildlife. What a fun afternoon out!

NSPCC number day.....

Pupils have really enjoyed our 'Dress up for digits' for NSPCC number day. We have seen some very creative outfits so thank you for getting involved. Pupils have taken part in a whole day of maths focussed activities which they have all enjoyed. Thank you for donating to the NSPCC; we have managed to raise £.....

DATES	
02.02.24	NSPCC number day
06.02.24	UK safer internet day
10.02.24	Year 1 Chaddesden Park Geography trip
12.02.24	Coffee morning – Maths Fluency
12.02.24	School health team to see Year 6 – Wellbeing questionnaire
13.02.24	Year 5 trip to Bennerley Viaduct
13.02.24/15.02.24	Parent's evening
15.02.24	Year 6 trip to Derby Gaol
16.02.24	Inset day – school closed to pupils
19.02.24 – 23.02.24	Half term
26.02.24	Pupils return back to school