

Newsletter  
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## A message from Mr Wright

A new year has begun at Meadowside and we have lots of exciting news to update you on. As I'm sure you have noticed, there have been some external improvements to our school, which are part of a longer term plan. Many children have commented on our new signs, driveway and the clean up of the building itself. Over the coming week we will improve the safeguarding of the site with the installation of a traffic barrier and CCTV. There have been updates to our curriculum, classroom changes and we will soon be launching our brand new school website which will improve how we communicate with our school community. These changes and many more that will follow are all part of a plan to improve the education, safety and experience of all the children at Meadowside. It's going to be a fun year!

**Please don't miss your child's first 'Parent Class Visit' of the year.  
See later in this newsletter for dates.**

## A look inside... Year 6

Our residential to **Robinwood** Activity Centre in Todmorden was a thrilling start for Y6 Elder Class. The children experienced activities such as: zip wire, high trapeze, the giant swing, raft building, canoeing, caving, climbing wall and team challenges. For many, these activities meant overcoming fears and anxieties but with encouragement from their teammates the children (and staff) reached new heights! All of the children were excellent representatives for Meadowside. After all that, returning to school might feel a little less exciting but we have plenty to keep us busy. Using the text '**Scoop**' as our inspiration we will be writing our own **newspaper articles** about our adventures at Robinwood. We have begun to look at the work of famous photographers such as 'Tyler Burke' and taken some photographs of our own which will be transformed into a piece of art work using a technique known as '**emulsion printing**'. Our maths this half term is working with numbers up to ten million. We also are working hard on the rapid recall of our times tables, **so please keep asking us at home!**



Our next '**Parent Class Visit**' is on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October from 8:45am – 10am.**

## Latest News...

It has been wonderful to see the children start the new school term looking so smart. They have settled well into their classrooms and they are fully engaged in their learning. We have also been pleased to see the children bring in healthier lunch boxes and snacks. It is important that children eat a healthy lunch; to help them keep alert and focused and give them the nutrition they need every day.

**Sports News:** We are looking forward to a great year of sport at Meadowside including a packed schedule of interhouse competitions at lunchtimes. We have already started training our netball and football teams and our first football match is Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at home against Glazebury Primary School. Our after school sports clubs for this half term include boxing and an exciting multi-skills club for each key stage. These clubs are an excellent opportunity for children to try a range of different sports and games such as curling, basketball and hockey.

**Entrance Barrier:** Our new entrance barrier should be in operation over the next few days. This will mean access for cars to the school site will require the use of the intercom. The barrier will be closed from 8.15am until 3.30pm.

### Upcoming Events

Scholastic Book Fair	Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> –Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> September 3pm 3.30pm
Y4 Visit to Liverpool Museum	Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> October
Reception 'Stay & Play'	Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> October 8.50am – 10am
Y2 Circus Skills	Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> September

### Parent Class Visits

Y1 Elm Class	4 <sup>th</sup> October 8.45-10.00am
Y2 Fir Class	28 <sup>th</sup> September 8.45-10.00am
Y3 Poplar Class	26 <sup>th</sup> September 8.45-10.00am
Y4 Oak Class	20 <sup>nd</sup> September 8.45-10.00am
Y4 Cedar Class	22 <sup>nd</sup> September 8.45-10.00am
Y5 Willow Class	27 <sup>th</sup> September 8.45-10.00am
Y6 Elder Class	5 <sup>th</sup> October 8.45-10.00am
Giant Redwoods	22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2-3.00pm
Buttercups	7 <sup>th</sup> October 1.30-3.00pm

**Be In It To Win It!**

**Help your child win our 'In It To Win It' competition by being in school every day by 8.50am**