



# The Mead School

## NEWSLETTER

**Term:** Autumn

**Issue:** 2

**Date:** 21 September 2018

### Key Dates:

#### Wednesday 26 September

Year 6 depart for Isle of Wight residential trip (return 28 September)

Boys football U8/9 v Sacred Heart at Sacred Heart, Wadhurst, 2.30pm

Girls hockey U10/11 v Sacred Heart at Hawkenbury astro, 2.30pm

#### Thursday 27 September

Boys football U8/9 v Marlborough House at Hawkenbury astro, 2.30pm

Girls netball U8/9 v Claremont Prep at The Mead, 2.30pm

### Open Events for Entry into Year 7 Sept 2019 - Independent Schools

*(Check school websites for further details & up-to-date information)*

-Bethany: 22 Sept, 10.00am-1.00pm; 17 Oct, 9.00am-11.30am

-Sutton Valence: Open Mornings - 29 Sept, 10 Nov

-Kent College: 6 Oct, 9.30am-1.00pm

-Tonbridge School: 6 Oct, 10.00am

-Cranbrook School: 16 Oct, 8.45am-10.00am

-Mayfield School: Open Morning - 30 Oct



Year 3 had a fantastic time on their trip to Herstmonceux Science Centre this week

Dear parents,

The second full week has seen the term settle nicely into top gear. The changes to the timetable at the start and end of the day caused inevitable teething problems and we're hugely grateful for your support and patience as the tweaks to club timings and arrangements have been made. Any such tweaks are always done with the children's interests in mind as we attempt to allow the broadest possible access to the multitude of extra-curricular opportunities on offer. The plan moving forwards is to establish a clear structure offered well in advance of the start of term so that you have time to plan your weekly routine.

At The Mead, every child has always been cared for as if they were part of our family. This year, we plan to further enhance this individualised approach to learning by regularly planning small group/individual catch up, intervention or extension sessions across the school.

The new timetable has given both teachers and TAs more time to focus on their primary role and these sessions could be used for a whole plethora of purposes from clarifying understanding immediately after a Maths lesson to pre-teaching a concept before the lesson even takes place. It's an exciting venture as we aim to continuously improve our understanding of every child's level of progress and the next steps they need to take.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Andrew Webster

Headmaster

### On our Website News & Social Media Pages:

*-Exploration & Discovery for Whole School with Loose Parts Play*

*-Lesson in Place Value for Year 3 Mathematicians*

*-Open Day for Prospective Parents on Thursday 11th October*



Read all about it & see more photos at:

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## Menu (W/C Monday 17 Sept):

### Monday

Sweet & Sour Chicken & Rice/ Fresh Fruit

Tea: Fresh Filled Wraps & Salad

### Tuesday

Jacket Potatoes, Cheese & Beans/Jelly & Cream

Tea: Fresh Filled Rolls & Salad

### Wednesday

Lasagne & Salad/ Tray Bake

Tea: Pizza & Salad

### Thursday

Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes & Broccoli & Cauliflower/ Ice Cream

Tea: Sausage Rolls & Salad

### Friday

Fish Friday/ Friday Treat

Tea: Fresh Filled Pittas & Salad

### Sports Report

Another great week. All of our **U9s** played this week against Skippers Hill and the boys' enthusiasm was fantastic. Man of the match (one for each team): Oliver Corby, Theo Senecal and Joshua Boler. Congratulations! The **U11s** played a very strong Beechwood A team and I was very happy with their commitment. Man of the match: Quinn Massey -**Pierre Leroy**



The **U10s and U11s** played their second ever hockey match this week against Hilden Oaks. Playing 8 aside the girls put their hard work during training into practise and really improved.



Match focus next week will be on defence, especially moving to the ball to tackle. Special mention to Amber and Isla who captained their teams beautifully as well as receiving player of the match. Next week they take on Sacred Heart Wadhurst at Hawkenbury, and all parents are welcome to come and support. It was so nice to see so many parents supporting the girls already!

The **U8 and U9** Hockey teams played Hilden Oaks this week. The Yellow team, Captained by Tilly Ross came out strong and with quick thinking by Lucy Cobbold and Ruby Jones won their first match of the season 2-0. The Blue team played their hearts out with a strong run by Lily Bentley, and good sweeping skills by Molly Stoddard. However, they could not match the strong attack of the Hilden Oaks girls. Well done everyone for your hard work and determination. You are definitely showing what Mead girls are made of! Next week the U8s and U9s take on Claremont Prep in the first netball matches of the season at The Mead, all parents are welcome to come and support! Players of the matches were Ruby Jones and Molly Stoddard. - **Danielle Mackenzie**



## Congratulations to this week's Award Winners



### Birds

Kitty Blackwell

Kazuki Cowley

Lilah Hill

Dhanya Magdani

Alyssa Marklew

Lade Obidairo

George Roundell Greene

Tilly Ross

Ivy Webster

Molly Wilson

### Stars-in-a-Jar

Annie Balcombe

Jack Barratt

Ralphie Renton

*\*Birds: Awarded to children who have shown exceptional behaviour, hard work, perseverance, kindness, good manners etc.*

*\*Stars-in-a-Jar: Outstanding examples of work are taken to Mr Agnew and the children pop their name in the Star Jar. Every Friday, names are pulled from the jar and the winners receive a colourful piece of stationery. (Names above are this week's Star-in-a-Jar winners.)*

### Notices:

- We currently have a vacancy for a **Road Crossing Patrol Officer**. Please contact Rebecca on 01892 525837 for further details.
- **Lollipop & Minibus on Wednesday:** Please note there will be no minibus or lollipop service on Wednesday 26 September as Rebecca and Nigel are both attending a meeting off-site.
- **Ski-Trip 2019:** The Mead family ski trip 2019 will be at St Anton in Austria. Accommodation will be in a catered chalet for a maximum of 36 people. The trip will depart on 30 March from Gatwick and return 6 April. Further details and booking form to follow soon.
- **Missing Uniform:**
  - Alfie G's (3C) school shorts
  - Toby's (3C) school pullover
  - Kieran's (3C) long-sleeved sports
  - Polly's (5F) swimming goggles and hat
  - William's (3F) cap
  - Alexander's (3F) cap

*Please kindly check your child's uniform over the weekend.*

  - Also James' (3C) purple scooter is missing