



Meadowside Community Primary & Nursery School



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A message from Mr Wright



Hi everyone!

It's the first of the month and we have lots of news to share with you this week. Firstly I'd like to let everyone know how proud we are of our very own local hero, Mr Stephen Murphy. As soon as the lockdown started, Mr Murphy, who has long been known for his work in the community, established a team of volunteers called 'Helping Hands Orford, Poplars & Hulme' with his friend Carol Kilgannon. The group have handed out hundreds of hampers and Easter eggs to families since the crisis began, with food donated by supermarkets including Morrisons; Aldi; the Co-op and Farmfoods.



Not only that but Mr Murphy has also been singing on the streets of Orford as part of 'Mr O's Live Disco And Song Request' to raise spirits and thank the NHS – notably with a blast of David Bowie's 'Heroes'.

We are proud to have a local hero like you working with us at Meadowside Mr Murphy!

Home Learning News

Last week we had on average 75% of work uploaded onto **ClassDojo**. We are so pleased at your level of engagement well done to all our families.

As a reminder, our expectations are 3 pieces of maths work. 3 pieces of English work and 3 other fun things you are doing at home.

Keep up the good work, you're doing a great job!



'Operation Outside'

All our Meadowside families collected their high quality workbooks to support home learning. Abiding by social distancing rules, each year group was given an allocated time slot for collection and Operation Outside ran like clockwork. Home learning has been a huge success using **ClassDojo** with an average of 75% families posting children's work each week to the class teacher. Parents and children look forward to their individual feedback and have been keen to know what they can do to help improve their child's learning - taking 'Operation Outside' to 'Operation Inside!'



Miss Hackneys Challenge

Thank you to our very own resident Joe Wicks. Miss Hackney has been busy thinking of challenges to keep us fit and healthy. This week she has challenged us with burpees and 'keepy-ups'. How many have you managed in 30 seconds?

Look out for her challenges on our **ClassDojo** home page.



Meadowside Art Club! This Thursday saw the premiere of the Kreative Kidz 'Meadowside virtual art club' for Key Stage 1. Each week, Miss Burrows and Mrs Worrall will post ideas to inspire the children to be creative and explore art in a variety different ways. This week's theme was 'Mystical, Mythical & Magical' and tackled the art skills of drawing, painting and collage. We have around 20 excited children accessing the activities and have already had two lovely magical creatures posted on the Kreative Kidz **ClassDojo** page! We are really looking forward to seeing more fantastic creations over the next few days!



Learners of the Week



Daisies	Lenny Sunderland
Sunflowers	Michael Filoda
Reception Elm	Lily Banner
Y1 Beech	Taylor Smith
Y2 Fir	Layla Collins
Buttercups	Lara Mogyorosi
Y3 Poplar	Marta Siedlecka
Y4 Cedar	Teegan Ashfield
Y5 Willow	Joshua McCann
Y6 Elder	Ethan Hamnett
Giant Redwoods	Alfie Herbert



Good News!



Lily from Reception Class, has been practicing her martial arts numchucks at home as she unable to attend her weekly class. Great to hear how committed you are to your martial arts Lily! Not even lockdown can stop you from training!



News from the Office Team

Free School Meal Vouchers:

For the past five weeks school has emailed vouchers to those parents whose children are entitled to free school meals. Please check your emails and spam folder to ensure that you have had these vouchers.

From this week these vouchers are being sent directly from the Department of Education through Edenred, so this week the email may have come from them and the vouchers will be Aldi vouchers and not Tesco. The vouchers will now continue to come from Edenred and will be on an automatic send out to parents. Furthermore, if you have changed your email address or haven't received the vouchers please inform us or update your email address to office@meadowside.warrington.sch.uk

News from the Welfare Team

If you are struggling with your mental health, please do not suffer in silence – there are many places to receive support - even during lockdown. Support can be online, via telephone calls or signposting to appropriate services. Here are some ideas of support that are available:

New 24/7 Mental Health Crisis Line for Warrington, Halton, Knowsley and St Helens

North West Boroughs Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust has launched a new mental health crisis line. The crisis line number **01925 275 309** is now the first port of call for local residents, experiencing a mental health crisis

Happy? OK? Sad?

For information about mental health support services in Warrington and what to do if you can't cope visit www.happyoksad.org.uk



This also includes what to do if you need urgent help.

Samaritans

Talking saves lives if you're feeling troubled, or having thoughts of suicide you can contact Samaritans 24/7 on 116 123 or www.samaritans.org

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