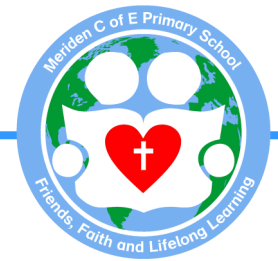




Meriden C.E. Primary School



Week ending
Friday 8th September
2017

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Happy Birthday!

These children have had birthdays since 1st September up until today.



Year 2
Cody
Peter

Their birthdays will be celebrated in next Friday's assembly.

Term Dates 2017 - 2018

September

13th Roald Dahl Day (details to follow)
13th-15th Welcome to Foundation Stage
15th School Bank (KS2 children)

22nd PTA dress down & bring chocolate!
KS1 Phonics & Reading workshop

October

2nd-6th Y6 to Red Ridge
6th 'Slip into Slippers' day (details to follow)
Coffee Morning, The Hub, 9.05am
11th Harvest Festival, 2pm, St Laurence's
13th KS2 Reading workshop
16th Bookfair in school this week
17th School photographer-individuals
Parents Evening, 5-7.30pm
18th Parents Evening, 4-6.30pm
20th Y2 trip to London

23rd - 27th Oct Half term

30th Children return to school

November

3rd Coffee Morning, The Hub, 9.05am
13th-17th Anti-Bullying Week

December

1st Coffee Morning, The Hub, 9.05am

Tues 19th Dec Term ends

Wed 3rd Jan 2018 **Inset day (staff only)**
Thurs 4th Jan Spring term starts
19th - 23rd Feb Half term
Thurs 29th March Term Ends

Mon 16th April Summer term starts
Fri 25th May **Inset day (staff only)**
28th May - 1st June Half term
Mon 4th June **Inset day (staff only)**
Tues 24th July Term Ends

For more dates please refer to the school website [http://](http://www.meridenceprimaryschool.co.uk)

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a great summer holiday. It is lovely to see the children back, happy and healthy, with huge smiles on their faces.

The summer seems to have flown by, but the children obviously had a fantastic time travelling to exotic and exciting places, although they seem very happy to be back in school with their friends again.

We warmly welcome Mr Ben Bramhill to the team this September. He will be teaching Year 5 and is also in charge of our wonderful new IT equipment. Look out for the launch of the STEM and IT strategy soon!

We have lots of exciting trips and experiences planned for the children, including a Year 2 visit to London, and I look forward to sharing their achievements and learning with you.

Clubs

W.B. 11/09/2017

Monday

3.30—4.45 Scratch—current members only

Tuesday

3.30—4.30 Spanish
3.30—4.45 Starstruck Drama
3.30—4.30 Footiebugs (FS2, Y1 & Y2)

Wednesday

8.00—8.50am Multisports
3.30—4.40 Dazzlers

Thursday

3.30—4.30 Netball Year 5 & 6
3.30—4.30 Little Tricks Gymnastics (full)

- **Karate has finished**
- **Homework club TBC**
- **Hockey starts 19th Sept**
- **Football starts 22nd September**

More information on these clubs can be found at www.meridenceprimaryschool.co.uk/clubs



School Dinners

These are the main meal choices for the week beginning Monday 11th September

	Red band	Blue Band	Green Band	Yellow Band (baguette)
Mon	Roast pork	Omelette	Macaroni cheese	Various Fillings Available
Tues	Beef pasta bolognaise	Roast chicken	Country bake	Various Fillings Available
Weds	Cottage pie	Roast turkey	Cheese & onion pasty	Various Fillings Available
Thurs	Pork meatballs	Vegetarian quiche	Quorn style meatballs	Various Fillings Available
Fri	Cheese & tomato pizza	Fish cake	Vegetarian pasta bolognaise	Various Fillings Available



Thank you so much for my lovely gifts, cards and Touchwood voucher. I enjoyed my time teaching in Reception and look forward to seeing you all again in the future.

Wishing you all a great start to the new term and hope your children enjoy their journey as they start Year 1!

Regards and Best wishes

Adele Deane

The 3-week school menu cycle will continue until the end of next month. KS1 parents, look out for new menus, and lunch choice forms, along with 'Special Meal' choices.

Meantime, if Infant children wish to make any changes to their current choices please contact the school office.

'Special' meals will commence next half term so watch out for notification of those too.

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We are looking for a Lunchtime Supervisor to join the team at our happy, caring school and help to ensure our children make excellent progress. We can offer an atmosphere of life-long learning, a supportive and developmental team and the opportunities to make a difference to the lives of our fantastic children, in our unique environment and setting.

Responsibilities include:

- Supervising children
- Dealing with minor first aid issues
- Managing behaviour in line with school policy
- Providing a range of activities both inside and outside
- Maintaining a positive atmosphere

Days of work: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 11:50am – 1:20 pm (Job share possible)

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects its staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check will be required for this position.

Contact the office for more details and an application pack.

Solihull Council has a responsibility for, and a commitment to, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults at risk and requires all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.





Welcome back to a new academic year. This year's fundraising will be our most challenging as we have a huge I.T equipment commitment.

Dates for your diary

- Thursday **14th September** 8pm at Heart of England Social Club. PTA Meeting. All welcome for a drink.
- **22nd September** Dress Down Day and bring anything chocolate! From chocolate bars to chocolate bubble bath
- **29th September** Family Games Night, 5.30pm till.8.30pm. Posters will be coming out shortly!
- Friday **6th October** PTA will be attending the Coffee Morning to get your feedback and ideas
- Friday **20th October** our Annual General meeting . All welcome.
- Saturday **21st October** PTA table top sale. Come and sell your unwanted items. £5 per stall, £10 for business stall. 50p Adults entrance. Kids free. Held at Heart of England social club

Join us!
The Sustainable Travel Team and the Independent Travel Training Team!

Tudor Grange Park, B91 3LU
11.00am - 5.00pm
17th September 2017

Led bike rides!
12.00pm and 15.00pm approx. 1 hour!
Children and Adults welcome*

Colouring stations
Learn to ride bikes and balance bikes

ART BIKE!

Bikeability
Cycling Proficiency for the 21st century

Department for Transport
This cycle training is delivered by Solihull MBC to the National Standard (Bikeability) on behalf of the Department for Transport.

Solihull METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Please note - you should be able to already ride a bike off road before taking part in led bike rides

ParentPay

All new pupils should have received ParentPay accounts letters this week detailing your log in details. If you haven't received these, or need help setting up or using your account, please contact the school office. Except for school uniform, ParentPay is used to pay for anything and everything in school, so it is essential your account is set up!



Music Lessons

Piano lessons will start Monday 11th Sept

Guitar lessons will start on Tuesday 12th Sept

Violin lessons will start on 13th September

Cello lessons will start on 13th September

Year 4 will also start to learn the Steel Pans from Thursday 14th September!



Tuck letters went out again this week. This consent will cover your child for the whole year. Please ensure you have **completed and returned forms** and that there is **credit on your ParentPay** account in order for your children to take tuck.



Lost Property

There are 4 bin bags of lost property from last term in the foyer. They include coats, jumpers cardigans etc...They will stay in the foyer until Friday 15th September, then will be discarded.