

The Mease Federation

It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.

Parable of the Mustard Seed- Matthew 13:31-32



Koinonia- Wisdom-Love- Perseverance



Message from Miss Mills

Dear families

What an amazing half term we have had, especially with the anticipation of Christmas. Our exciting curriculum has continued and there have been lots of visits, trips and wonderful learning opportunities for the children to 'Grow and Flourish'. One of our many strengths is the outstanding behaviour and our value of 'Love' which is demonstrated by all of our children across the Federation. I am certainly proud of all of our children as they conduct themselves impeccably when in school and 'out-and-about' on trips and visits.

Over the last two weeks both schools have put on magical Christingles and Nativity performances in our churches. What a treat we have had! I hope that you have enjoyed them too.

As 2023 comes to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank my staff for all their hard work and dedication in making our school the best they can be. To our Governors for their support and challenge to ensure that we continue to drive forwards. I would also like the children for being truly amazing and for having a positive attitude towards school and their learning, demonstrating Wisdom and Perseverance in everything they do. I would also like to thank you, our families for your overwhelming support. We certainly demonstrate Koinonia in our fellowship and our community.

In the New Year, we are looking forward to academizing with the TSSMAT. Mrs Gethin and Ralph really enjoyed their visits to our wonderful schools and we look forward to strengthening these relationships as the year progresses.

On behalf of the staff and myself, I would like to say thank you for the gifts and cards you have given to us this Christmas. All that is left to say is, have a peaceful, healthy and happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all upon our return Tuesday 9th January 2024 at 8:45am. Where we will bring in a positive, exciting and healthy 2024.

Best wishes

Miss Mills

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace; good will toward men."



What's Coming Up This Week

Monday 8th January 2024

INSET DAY



Tuesday 9th January

Children Back to School



Wednesday 10th January

SH Active—PE Kits



Friday 12th January

Rock up & Read 8.45 to 9.15am

Dinners for Week Commencing 8th January 2024

This week is: Week 1 – Please note on Tuesday 9th it will be Mac n Cheese

	WEEK ONE	WEEK TWO	WEEK THREE
MONDAY	<p>Mac & Cheese (V) Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Rainbow Veg Scoop of Vanilla Ice Cream (V)</p>	<p>Pork or Chicken Sausages with Mash & Gravy Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Rainbow Veg Scoop of Vanilla Ice Cream (V)</p>	<p>Pizza Mac & Cheese (V) Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Rainbow Veg Scoop of Vanilla Ice Cream (V)</p>
TUESDAY	<p>Mild & Sweet Chicken Curry with Rice (Wg) Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Sweetcorn & Peppers, Cauliflower Apple Crumble (Ve)(Wg) with Custard (V)</p>	<p>Pizza Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Sweetcorn, Green Beans Apple & Pear Crumble (Ve)(Wg) with Custard (V)</p>	<p>Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Sweetcorn, Green Beans Peach & Pineapple Crumble (Ve)(Wg) with Custard (V)</p>
WEDNESDAY	<p>Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Broccoli, Sliced Carrot Strawberry Jelly & Peaches (Ve)</p>	<p>Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Cauliflower, Carrot Batons Orange Jelly & Mandarins (Ve)</p>	<p>Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Cabbage, Sliced Carrot Strawberry Jelly & Pineapple (Ve)</p>
THURSDAY	<p>Penne with Chicken Meatballs in Classic Tomato Sauce (Wg) Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Green Beans, Swede Chocolate Mousse with Pears (V)</p>	<p>Penne with Beef Bolognese (Wg) Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Cabbage, Garden Peas Banana Custard (V)</p>	<p>Chicken, Broccoli & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake (Wg) Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Swede, Shredded Carrots Chocolate Mousse with Mandarins (V)</p>
FRIDAY	<p>Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Baked Beans, Garden Peas Flapjack (Ve)</p>	<p>Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Baked Beans, Garden Peas Chocolate Shortbread (Ve)</p>	<p>Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips Choice of Jackets, Sandwiches or Tomato Pasta Baked Beans, Garden Peas Iced Shortbread (Ve)</p>
	6/11/23, 27/11/23, 18/12/23, 8/1/24, 29/1/24, 19/2/24, 11/3/24	13/11/23, 4/12/23, 25/12/23, 15/1/24, 5/2/24, 26/2/24, 18/3/24	30/10/23, 20/11/23, 11/12/23, 1/1/24, 22/1/24, 12/2/24, 4/3/24, 25/3/24

V - Vegetarian Ve - Vegan Wg - Wholegrain



Freshly baked bread, fresh fruit, yoghurts and fresh drinking water available daily

For Information

New Reception Intake 2024

If your child attends a local nursery, please could you pick up some leaflets from our school office and ask your nursery if they could distribute them to potential new starters for our reception class 2024!

Parents Forum

There will be a representative for each class from the Parent Forum. They are as follows:

Class 1 Rachel Hobbs

Class 2 Laura Raybould

Class 3 Sue Keeley

Weekly Blogs

Find out what the children have been up to in their classes this week using the links below.

Class One— [Class Blogs](#) | [The Mease Federation](#)

Class Two— [Class Blogs](#) | [The Mease Federation](#)

Class Three— [Class Blogs](#) | [The Mease Federation](#)

Reverse Advent Calendar



I want to say a huge thank you to everybody for their generous donations this month. Our reverse advent calendar was a great success and the children were very proud to have received koinonia dojo points for showing love and supporting our local community. Tamworth food bank were so appreciative of the support during this busy, festive season. Thank you so much and Merry Christmas!



Miss Warner x



Parent Information

Christmas Nativity

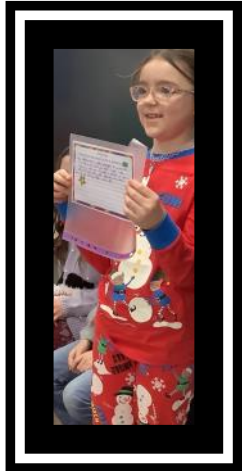
Well done to all our wonderful children!



Parent Information

Congratulations to all our wonderful children for receiving awards for Autumn 2 Term

Thank you to Father Christmas and Mrs Christmas for taking the time to visit our children at Mary Howard!



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& HAPPY NEW YEAR



Parent Information

Christmas Lunch at Mary Howard

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Attendance



Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

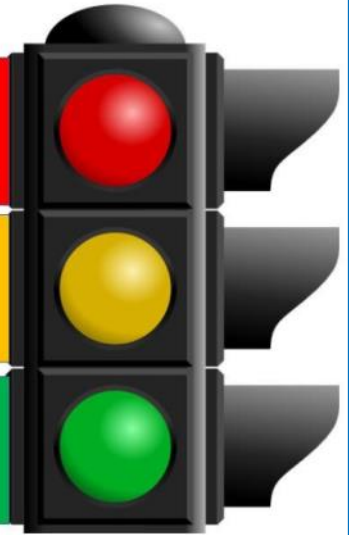
Why is it important?

Attendance	Days absent	Weeks absent	Lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	250 lessons
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	290 lessons

89% or below
Drastic effect on academic achievement

96% - 90%
Cause for Concern

100% - 97%
Excellent!



Across our Federation, we expect good attendance to ensure that all pupils are able to take full advantage of the education available to them. Good attendance matters.

Pupils who have good attendance: **Get better jobs in the future, Achieve better results, Make better friendships, Have good self-esteem and confidence**

We strive for every child to achieve 96% attendance or higher. Please do not be offended if you are told that we are concerned about your child's attendance or if you receive a letter of concern. Attendance falls under the category of safeguarding and it is our duty of care to challenge and support attendance. If we can help in any way please contact Miss Mills or the office. Thank you.

Attendance figures for this week

Class One - 96.91%

Class Two - 96.86%

Class Three - 96.95%

Medical Appointments

Could we kindly remind parents, to try and book medical appointments outside of school times. We do understand that there are occasions when this is not always possible.
Thank you!

More information can be found online at <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Dates to Note

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January 2024

Monday 8th January—Inset Day

Tuesday 9th January - Children return to school

Friday 12th January 8.45 to 9.15am - Rock up & Read

Tuesday 30th January - Please return your Bag2School

February

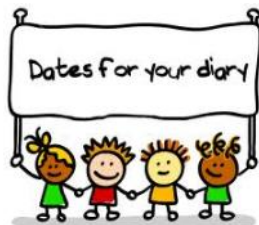
Tuesday 27th February Parents Evening (times to be confirmed)

Wednesday 28th February 12pm—Class 1—Mothers Day Lunch.

March

Wednesday 6th March 12pm—Class 2—Mothers Day Lunch

Wednesday 13th March 12pm—Class 3—Mothers Day Lunch



Dojo Scores



ClassDojo

This Week's Dojo Scores
Dojo Scores for this week:

Air - 31

Earth - 28

Fire - 40

Water - 45

Well done to Water!

Parent Invites

ROCK UP & READ

FRIDAY 12TH JANUARY 8.45 TO 9.15AM

Mothers Day Lunch Dates

Wednesday 28th February Class 1

Wednesday 6th March Class 2

Wednesday 13th March Class 3

****Times to be confirmed & Further information to follow****