

Dear Families,

As we come to the end of a brilliant first half term, I reflect upon all the achievements, experiences and growth seen in such a short time. This half term we have seen our new children settle into school life at the federation wonderfully and that's down to the welcoming environments we have at both schools.

I am lucky to have deeply committed staff, who are not only caring and nurturing but also provide quality and rich learning experiences. We are lucky to have our Reverends who are committed to our schools. The Thank You Vicar cards for Reverend John and Reverend Nicky were most definitely deserved. I would also like to thank Sarah Ennis for promoting music and leading our weekly hymn practices. I really appreciate the support of the parents, families and governors have given for myself and the school. We are certainly demonstrating Koinonia and it shows what a fabulous community we have.

There have been many highlights of the term. The Federation Football tournament with our smart new kits brought home our first trophy. There are too many rich learning experiences that have taken place to mention (see class blogs). We have had two parent forum sessions, which will strengthen the relationship between home and school and make our school the very best places to learn.

On our return, please look at the website where you will find the Autumn 2 Curriculum overview for the upcoming term and the matched knowledge organisers that will give you the key vocabulary and information that your child will learn in their topics next half term.

As we look ahead to Autumn 2, we look forward to the usual autumnal festivities and the countdown to Christmas. On Thursday 16th November, we are launching our Vision and Values together as a Federation at Mary Howard. We will start the day at Holy Trinity Church. Children across the federation will work together to explore our vision and values through arts, drama, outdoor learning and song. I am really looking forward to this special day where our schools can be together!

During the first week back, we have Parents' evening in both schools. This is an opportunity to see your child's books, sharing all the quality learning experiences your children have had this half term. You will also get to hear about your child's strengths and targets for next half term.

All that is left to say is- have fun and stay safe!

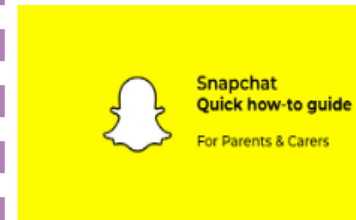
Miss Mills



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

Keeping your child safe on 'Snapchat'



Is Snapchat safe for my child?

Safety features and tools to help keep your child safe on Snapchat- www.nspcc.org.uk

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/guidance/snapchat-safety-a-how-to-guide-for-parents/>

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 for your continued support.



DATES TO NOTE

Monday 6th November— Children back in school

Wednesday 8th November—Parents Evening & Book Fair

Friday 10th November—Rock up & Read! 8.45 to 9.15am

Monday 13th November—Anti Bullying Week— Odd Socks Day

Friday 17th November—Children In Need—details to follow next term

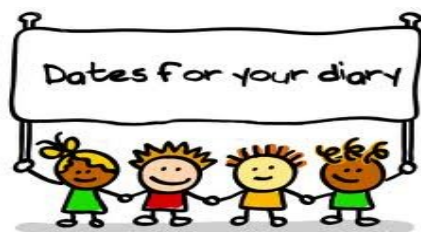
13th December—Christmas Trip—whole school

Friday 22nd December—Let your Light Shine Worship—9am

Friday 22nd December—Christmas Jumper Day, Class Parties & Break up for Christmas

Monday 8th January—Inset Day

Tuesday 9th January—Children return to school



Snowdome Winter Wonderland Trip

We have arranged for children from both Mary Howard and St Andrew's to go on a school trip to the Snowdome on Wednesday 13th December.

The cost of the coaches have been kindly paid for by FOMH and SASA so the trip will only cost £14.90 per child. Please complete the consent form at <https://forms.office.com/e/9msDH90dmm> by Wednesday 29th November and make the payment via ParentPay on the same date. Thank you.



Friends of Mary Howard
Breakfast with Santa event

Taking place on Sunday 26th November at Edingale Village Hall, tickets are now on sale at www.fomh.co.uk.



Dojo Scores for this week:

Air - 74

Earth - 61

Fire - 71

Water - 67

Brilliant! Well done Air!



Attendance figures for this week.

Class One - 98.46%

Class Two - 100%

Class Three - 98.31%

Well Done Class 2!



Remembrance Day

Remembrance Day in school is on Friday 10th November. During the week, children will have the opportunity to purchase items in support of the Poppy Appeal. There are a variety of items starting from £1—if you would like your child to buy anything, please send them to school with a donation.

Thank you.



PARENTS EVENING AND BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in school from Monday 6th November—Friday 10th November until 3.30pm each day; this will be extended until 6pm on Wednesday 8th November for Parents Evening. Your child will be able to choose from a selection of the best new books with purchases earning rewards that can be spent on providing more books in school.

You can browse the website at <https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/bookcases/wtr> for an idea of the books that will be available. We will have a card payment machine for card payments or you can scan the QR code.

We hope the event will be as successful as last time!



****Parentpay****

We have now set up menu options on Parentpay for Autumn 2—from 6th November. This will allow parents/carers to book meal options a week in advance. You will have until Midnight every Sunday to book your child/children's meal option. This will also help you to keep up to date with your Parentpay account.

Looking to the future we plan to be a cashless school!

Thank you for your continued support!

Dinners for Week Commencing 6th November

This week is: Week 3

	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>Chicken Paella (Wg) 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

Rock up & Read

On the first Friday of every month (10th November) we have Rock up and Read in school. We were wondering if any parents would be interested in doing refreshments (tea, coffee, croissants etc) for the parents/carers attending. All money raised from this would go into the school fund which helps to provide extra things for the children. If you are interested, please speak to the school office.

Visitors Book

We now have a visitors book in our reception/entrance to school. Please add a comment whenever you are impressed by something in school or anytime you think your child has grown or flourished because of school.



Weekly Blogs

Find out what the children have been up to in their classes and in Wraparound 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](#)

Wraparound— [Wraparound Blogs | The Mease Federation](#)



Temporary Cleaning role- Mary Howard, Edingale.



Cleaning role - temp for 3+ months.

12 hrs weekly to include opening school in the morning.

£10.42 per hour - term time

Paid monthly.

DBS required - undertaken by the company.

For all details, please contact Debbie Ford - 07407811083



*****Wraparound Care Clubs*****

It is important that all Wraparound forms are returned, even if you are a regular at Wraparound please do not assume that your place is guaranteed.

Booking forms are available from the office, and they are also in a file in the entrance to the office.

Payment will be needed prior to attendance. Please log on to your Parentpay account and clear any outstanding amounts.

Thank you for your continued support!

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!

Reception Application process for September 2024 will open on 1st November 2023 and close on 15th January 2024.

The easiest way for parents to apply is online.

www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions.

For further information, please contact the school office for a letter with a step by step guide and important points.

Thank you for your continued support



The Mease Federation
NEW RECEPTION INTAKE

OUR VISION & VALUES

The Parable of the mustard seed inspires us that even from very small beginnings, something amazing can grow. At The Mease Federation we are aspirational for the future of all our pupils and adults, in that they will learn how to grow and flourish as healthy and fulfilled individuals who are passionate about life and learning.

Koinonia- Wisdom-Love- Perseverance



- Small class sizes
- A nurturing environment with deep rooted Christian vision and strong core values
- Specialist and highly skilled staff
- A strong curriculum that promotes and develops the whole child.

Spaces Available

FOR MORE DETAILS OR A TOUR OF OUR SCHOOLS, PLEASE CONTACT:

Mary Howard, Edingale-office@maryhoward.staffs.sch.uk- 01827 383245
St. Andrew's, Clifton Campville- office@st-andrews-cliftoncampville.staffs.sch.uk- 01827 373266

Website: <https://www.themeasefederation.co.uk/>

Thank the Vicar!

All our children have been busy putting together a thank you card for Reverend Nicky!



Let Your Light Shine Awards

Congratulations to:

Holly R - Year 1, Nicky S - Year 2, Ocean P - Year 3, Isla B - Year 4,
Eliza F - Year 5, Brooke H - Year 6



Well done to the following children in receiving the Headteacher Good Behaviour Certificate.

Betty M - Class 1, Myra G - Class 2, Reuben - Class 3



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Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am

Safer Parking at School Gates

Driving children to school is seen as the most convenient choice for parents/carers with busy lives. Many parents/carers take the view that by driving their children to school they are keeping them safe. Yet the combination of each individual decision means an increase in vehicle traffic and congestion particularly at the school gate.

Many children now miss out on the opportunity to develop vital road safety skills with their parents/carers on the way to school. They fail to build up confidence and learn the ability to manage risk walking around their local community.

Walking can improve overall fitness levels in children and adults. It is a cheap low impact way to exercise. Getting active in our daily lives can have a big impact on health issues such as obesity.

We realise that there are some parents/carers who have no alternative but to drive their children to school, however, many are driving short distances where walking is a real option. Even those who have to drive to school can do their bit by parking away from the school entrance and walking for part of the journey.

What can **you** do to help keep everyone safe around the school gates?

Please don't:

- Block the road—emergency vehicles and other traffic may need access
 - Park on the yellow lines, zig-zags or block the school entrance
 - Park on the pavement, across dropped kerbs or residents' driveways
 - Park opposite or within 10 metres of a junction
 - Park where you will cause inconvenience to other road users
 - Leave your vehicle with the engine still running
- Stop in the middle of the road to drop your child off, even for a few seconds

These changes make a real difference to the congestion around schools, making the school run less stressful and far safer for everyone. Not only that but they will help your child's education. Research has shown that children who walk or cycle to school are more receptive to learning at the start of the school day than those who travel to school by car.

Fund Raising

On Sunday 29th October, a group of staff and students from JTFS are taking part in the Brewers 5K and 10K race in memory of Hussein Quig-Diop who sadly passed in September. We are raising money to help fund a Young Person's Bereavement Point with Burton Albion Community Trust. This was a wonderful project started earlier this year by the family of Brandon Sutton, a young man who passed earlier this year. This project will offer young people across East Staffordshire a safe place to gain support from peers when dealing with loss and bereavement. They wish to use any monies raised to help support the roll of Well-being programmes in schools across the area. Again these will offer young people a place to talk and share feelings along with helping them develop the skills to deal with every day life and the challenges this can bring. Brandon's family very kindly donated 'Brandon's boxes' to Hussein's fellow students following his passing. These are care boxes which contain items that support the young people to mindfully reflect and take time out to look after themselves in times when they are dealing with loss. Items such as a candle, picture frame, sweet treats, hot chocolate, a blanket, mindfulness colouring are included with a poem, a note on how the items can help and a short message from Brandon's family. If you would like to sponsor us or donate to this very worthy cause please use the following link: [#forever13 #bact #brewers #burtonalbionfc](https://app.goodhub.com/husseinquigdiop)



Happy Half Term

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and safe half term.

We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 6th November.



To prevent uniform or personal items being lost, please ensure that everything is labelled with your child's name. Thank you.

