

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

AUTUMN TERM

10th November 2023



Dear Families

Welcome back to the second half of our autumn term. Despite the dark mornings and cold starts, the children have been excited to return to school.

We have started this week, introducing our new topics, so please go to the class webpage for more details about what your children are learning about, including key vocabulary and knowledge. It's also a lovely opportunity to look at the class blogs to see their learning in action.

This week has been a hugely successful Parents' evening, where I hope you were proud to see the work and progress your child is making and see how they are growing and flourishing. You will also have been given targets for your child. I hope that you find them useful and informative.

This weekend marks Armistice day. We have been reflecting upon this in our worship this week. I hope that you can support our local churches by joining in with their Remembrance services.

Next week, we are really excited to be holding our Vision and Values launch day at Mary Howard. All the children from the Federation will join together to explore and live out our vision and values together. I would like to thank the parents, especially from St Andrew's for supporting us and allowing this to happen and for us to all be together in our launch.

Before half term, I have been working alongside Wild Minds to develop our outdoor spaces at both schools and helping us to utilise the grant we have kindly received for both schools from the National Forest. We are really excited about what we can achieve.

It is also the time of year when we are on countdown to Christmas. Our children will be taking part in an exciting trip to the Snowdome and will lead the annual Christingle and Nativity services, which will include all children. The whole school being involved with the Nativity was a suggestion from the last round of Parent Questionnaires.

St Andrew's will also be leading the annual St Andrew's day service at church on Thursday 30th November at 9:15, so families are invited to join us for this service in church.

What a great start! As always, any questions, comments that you may have, please don't hesitate to contact me via Class Dojo.

Best wishes

Miss Mills



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 by the same date. Thank you.



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](#)

St. Andrew's Day—30th November

We will be celebrating St Andrew's Day with a school service in Church on Thursday 30th November at 9.15am. This will include artwork from the children and 'Who was St. Andrew'. Parents are welcome to attend and it would be lovely to see you there. There will also be a café service in Church prior to this on Sunday 26th November.



Anti Bullying Week

On week commencing 13th November, we will be taking part in Anti-Bullying Week. This years theme is 'Make a Noise about Bullying'. Children will get to take part in a range of activities throughout the week. To launch the week, we are asking all children to come to school wearing odd socks on Monday 13th November to celebrate what makes us all unique.



PE Days *Change for this half term*

PE Days for this half term will be Mondays and Fridays.

Wellbeing Sessions

Friday 17th November
Friday 24th November
Friday 1st December
Friday 8th December
Friday 15th December

Please send children in wearing PE kits on these dates (apart from 17th November which is Non uniform for Children in Need).

Thank you



Federation Football Club

The schedule for this half term is;

Thursday 9th November—St Andrew's
Thursday 16th November—Mary Howard



Football will resume in February 2024.

Vision and Values Day—Thursday 16th November



We will have a launch day for our Vision and Values on Thursday 16th November. On this day **ALL** the children (St Andrews & Mary Howard) will be based at **Mary Howard** for the day. **Please can children wear the colour of their house team (as per list shown).**

These are the plans for the day:

- Gates will open from 8.45am - 9am for drop-offs, unless booked into Care Club from 7.45am, open to Mary Howard and St. Andrew's children at a cost of £5 for the sessions
- After school care club will be available from 3.30pm for any children from either school who may need the wraparound care. The costs are £5 from 3.30pm to 4.30pm and £8.75 from 3.30pm to 5pm
- Hot/cold lunch is available at Mary Howard - otherwise you can send your child in with a packed lunch
- To ease congestion at the end of the day, St Andrew's children can be collected at 3pm and Mary Howard will finish at the usual time of 3.30pm
- For any children attending Football Club, this will be taking place at Mary Howard so children will need to be collected at 4.30pm

We will start our day in church, then we will go back to Mary Howard to take part in a range of exciting activities. Some of these activities will be based outdoors, so please make sure that your child has suitable coats, hats, gloves and scarves. **Please send your child with a water bottle/packed lunch (if required) only. No bags will be required.**

We would like to thank you for your continued support, in the meantime should you have any questions regarding our launch day please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Earth (Green) 	Fire (Red) 	Water (Blue) 	Air (Yellow) 
Olivia E	Jaxon	Summer	Esme-Jane
Olivia W	Hope	Melina	Ophelia
George	Stanley	Sophia	Emma
Kaj	Arthur	Joshua	Kai
Alexandra	Hugo	Lily	Libby
Robyn	Billy	Roman M	Leo C
Tymon	Lois	Bear	Ona
Ellie	Edwin	Ted	Dylan J
Louisa	Grace	Isabel	Albert
Abigail	Patrick	Leo G	Keira
Kenny	Leo P	Dylan W	Rosie
Holly	Sebastian	Roman W	Harry
Anayah			

SH Active—Archery After School Club—*Date change*

Due to our Vision and Values Day on Thursday 16th November, Archery Club will be taking place on Wednesday 15th November instead. This change is only for this week and the club will resume on Thursdays as normal for the rest of the half term. The last session will be on Thursday 21st December.



SASA Meeting

For those who don't know me, I'm Lucy, Lois's mum and I have taken over from Carla as the new chair of SASA. SASA is the schools PTA and we raise money to support and treat the children of St Andrew's School. We do great work as a team to ensure all children benefit and enjoy the extra treats we can offer them.

I will be hosting my first meeting on Thursday 16th November at 7:30pm onwards at the village hall. This would be a perfect opportunity for parents interested in joining SASA to come along and find out a bit more about what we do. Any help people can offer is greatly appreciated without any huge expectations of time ... we're all busy parents so there really is no pressure on requirements.

A lot of members have left due to children moving up to high school so I'd be very grateful to see some new faces that wish to get involved as this directly benefits all our children. If you would like to join us please RSVP to myself on 07398 473081.

Myself and the team look forward to welcoming you.

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 Applications will open on 1st November 2023 and will close on 15th January 2024. To apply, go to:
www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions**

NHS Careers Talk

Unfortunately, Mrs Magrath has had to postpone the career talk due to work commitments, but is hoping to rearrange soon. Please look out for an update shortly.

Teachers2Parents

From Friday 25th November we will no longer be using Teachers2Parents. All future communication will be via Class Dojo or email. If you need to update your details or have problems accessing Class Dojo please let the school office know. Thank you.

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Mary Howard Primary School—Edingale

Temporary Cleaning Role

A temporary vacancy for 3+ months has arisen for a school cleaner at Mary Howard Primary School 12 hours per week term time only. This will include opening school each morning.

The hourly rate is £10.42 paid monthly. A DBS will be required, the cost of which will be covered by the company.

Please note "The Mease Federation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people/vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment".

If you would like more information or an application form please contact Debbie Ford on 07407811083.



Special People

The Special People for week commencing 13.11.23 will be:

Class 1—Melina Bains

Class 2—Bear Bostock

Class 3—Rosie Brotherton



Dinners for Week Commencing 13th November

This week is: Week 1

	WEEK ONE	WEEK TWO	WEEK THREE
MONDAY	<p>Mac & Cheese (V) <i>or</i> Mixed Bean Chilli with Rice (Ve)(Wg) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Rainbow Veg Scoop of Vanilla Ice Cream (V)</p>	<p>Vegetable Lasagne (V) <i>or</i> Lentil & Mushroom Keema Curry with Rice (Ve) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Rainbow Veg Scoop of Vanilla Ice Cream (V)</p>	<p>Pizza Mac & Cheese (V) <i>or</i> Mild Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry with Rice (Ve) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Rainbow Veg Scoop of Vanilla Ice Cream (V)</p>
TUESDAY	<p>Mild & Sweet Chicken Curry with Rice (Wg) <i>or</i> Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Sweetcorn & Peppers, Cauliflower Apple Crumble (Ve)(Wg) with Custard (V)</p>	<p>Chicken Paella (Wg) <i>or</i> Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Sweetcorn, Green Beans Apple & Pear Crumble (Ve)(Wg) with Custard (V)</p>	<p>Chicken Tandoori with Golden Rice (Wg) <i>or</i> Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Sweetcorn, Green Beans Peach & Pineapple Crumble (Ve)(Wg) with Custard (V)</p>
WEDNESDAY	<p>Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy <i>or</i> Chickpea & Veggie Puff with Roasties (Ve) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Broccoli, Sliced Carrot Strawberry Jelly & Peaches (Ve)</p>	<p>Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy <i>or</i> Homemade Veggie & Stuffing Roll with Roasties & Gravy (Ve) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Cauliflower, Carrot Batons Orange Jelly & Mandarins (Ve)</p>	<p>Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy <i>or</i> Veggie Sausage Toad in the Hole with Roasties & Gravy (V) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Cabbage, Sliced Carrot Strawberry Jelly & Pineapple (Ve)</p>
THURSDAY	<p>Tuna & Pea Pesto Pasta (Wg) <i>or</i> Penne with Tomato Super Sauce (Ve) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Green Beans, Swede Chocolate Mousse with Pears (V)</p>	<p>Penne with Chicken Meatballs in Classic Tomato Sauce (Wg) <i>or</i> Penne with Classic Tomato Sauce (Ve)(Wg) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Cabbage, Garden Peas Banana Custard (V)</p>	<p>Chicken, Broccoli & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake (Wg) <i>or</i> Penne with Beany Bolognese (Ve)(Wg) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Swede, Shredded Carrots Chocolate Mousse with Mandarins (V)</p>
FRIDAY	<p>Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips <i>or</i> Falafel Wrap with Mint Yoghurt & Chips (V) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Baked Beans, Garden Peas Flapjack (Ve)</p>	<p>Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips <i>or</i> Vegeball Marinara Sub with Chips (V) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Baked Beans, Garden Peas Chocolate Shortbread (Ve)</p>	<p>Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips <i>or</i> Garden Vegetable Goujons with Chips (Ve) Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling Baked Beans, Garden Peas Iced Shortbread (Ve)</p>
	<p>4/9/23, 25/9/23, 16/10/23, 6/11/23, 27/11/23, 18/12/23, 8/1/24, 29/1/24, 19/2/24, 11/3/24</p>	<p>11/9/23, 2/10/23, 23/10/23, 13/11/23, 4/12/23, 25/12/23, 15/1/24, 5/2/24, 26/2/24, 18/3/24</p>	<p>18/9/23, 9/10/23, 30/10/23, 20/11/23, 11/12/23, 1/1/24, 22/1/24, 12/2/24, 4/3/24, 25/3/24</p>

V - Vegetarian Ve - Vegan Wg - Wholegrain



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



We recognise that Christmas can be a difficult time of year for many people and we want to help! This year, we will be supporting our local food bank in Tamworth by creating a whole-school reverse advent calendar. From December, we will have a large grid in school counting down to Christmas. If you would like to support them, please send a donation in with your child on any given day and they will then add their donation to our Santa sack and write their name on the grid for that day. At the end of half term, we will take our donations to Tamworth foodbank. Any donations will be greatly appreciated! Thank you for your support!



Kindness Kits —Donations



In the lead up to Christmas, we want to show our love for the elderly people in our village community. Spiritual Council will be working together to build 'Kindness Kits' which they will deliver themselves to the elderly people in our village to let them know that we are thinking of them and sending our love during the festive period.



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



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- Small class sizes
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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/>

DATES TO NOTE

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

Thursday 16th November—Vision and Values Day at Mary Howard

Friday 17th November—Children in Need—Non Uniform and wear it Spotty for a £1 donation

Thursday 30th November—St Andrew's Day Service in Church—9.15am

W/c Monday 11th December—Christingle in Church

Wednesday 13th December—Christmas Trip

W/c Monday 18th December—Nativity in Church

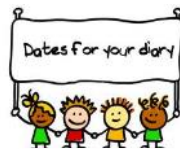
Wednesday 20th December—Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 21st December—Wow Work Worship—3pm

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

Monday 8th January—Inset Day

Tuesday 9th January—Children return to school



This Week's Dojo Scores

Water—36

Fire—21

Air—30

Earth—33

Well done Water!

Children in Need—Friday 17th November

We are raising money for BBC Children In Need on Friday 17th November.

Non uniform and where it
SPOTTY!

Donation £1



Medical Appointments

Could we kindly remind parents/carers to try and book medical appointments outside of school times. We do understand that this is not always possible. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for this week

Class One—98.9%

Class Two—90%

Class Three—100%

Well done Class 3!



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Monday - Laser Tag
Thursday - Archery
Starting 6/9 Nov

LASER TAG

Using infra red laser technology, our laser tag clubs provide fun in a safe and busy environment. Our action packed games will challenge children tactically as well as physically, and with our ready to go easy use equipment the children will have endless fun. Be it outside in the school woods or inside in the school hall with all the lights off!

ARCHERY 3.30-4.30

Our Archery clubs are as close to the real thing as it comes, they provide an opportunity for children to experience the sport in a safe and fun environment. How good is your child's aim? Children will take part in this exciting sport while also learning the important fundamental skills it takes, including safety, technique and how to get closer to the bullseye every time. The activities will enable the children to use Archery as a vehicle for learning maths through their scoring, literacy through language and citizenship through cooperation and self discipline. The activities provide an alternative and complimentary way of developing skills such as coordination, balance and strength as well as personal, social and mental skills all while having so much FUN playing Archery!

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