Grow and Flourish



he 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



Dear Families,

As we embrace the autumnal mornings and evenings, both schools continue to be a hive of activity.

This week, we celebrate our sporting achievements together as the Mease. I was delighted to attend the MAT Federation Football tournament at The Rugeley Leisure Centre. Our children played together seamlessly and showed excellent sportsmanship. To top it



off, they won every game, bringing home the trophy. The children looked quite the part in their new kit, kindly sponsored by Ikon fostering. Thank you to Mr Finn for training the children and providing the Federation after-school club and to all the parents and grandparents who supported us with transport and for cheering the team on.

At St. Andrew's this week, Mrs Wardale has been using her artistic talents in creating a mural in the corridor which encompasses our vision, values and motto. All members of our school community will place a handprint on the tree which will be an emblem of our close-knit community—Koinonia. We hope to repeat this at Mary Howard.

We have begun to order the equipment for our Forest School, using our grant from the National Forest. I am a firm believer in the benefits of outdoor learning and how it develops character and helps with mental health.

We have one week left until we reach our half term break, where children will be completing their topics. I know that the children have thoroughly enjoyed their learning this term and speak positively about the knowledge and the skills that they have gained. Take a look at the class blogs and class pages online to get an insight into the learning taking place in your child's classroom. Thankyou to our families who continue to support the children at home.

Don't forget that the first week back we will be having our Parents' evening where strengths and targets for your children will be shared. I will be available at each school on the evening, if you need me or if you haven't met me before, just come and say hello.

As we draw to the end of the week, we send our thoughts and prayers to the families involved in the ongoing conflict in Israel-Gaza. We pray for peace and understanding in this desperate time.

Every blessing Miss Mills



"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another."

-Hebrews 10:24-25

Let Your Light Shine

This term's Let Your Light Shine worship will take place on Friday 27th October at 3.00pm. Parents are welcome to attend. Please see nominations below.

- Jaxon Dade
- Lois Jones
- Alexandra Magrath
 - Arthur Powell
- Roman Mohamady
- Anayah Tedd Morris

$\mathbf{\star}$

The following children will receive Sports Awards.

- Hugo Williams
 - Ted Allen
- Albert Moore

\star

The following children will receive Headteacher's awards for good behaviour

- Sophia Gray
- Ona Light
- Holly Ingram

Secondary School Applications are now open and will close on 31st October 2023. Letters and emails on how to apply have been sent home. You will need the UID number in order to apply online at www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions

For more information, please see the following website—<u>https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2023/10/13/</u> secondary-school-applications-deadline-2023-how-where _apply/



Art Club

We are going to be running an Art Club each Wednesday after school 3:30pm-4:30pm with Mrs Wardale. This will be for **Class 2** and **Class 3**. This will start on Wednesday 8th November and will cost £20 for the half term (7 weeks). All resources will be supplied by school.

Please complete the form at <u>https://</u> <u>forms.office.com/e/v2u3cvdNNP</u> if you would like your child to attend. Thank you.



Safer parking at the 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.

Keeping your child safe on 'Snapchat'

Please be mindful of your child if they are on snapchat. Here is a guide for parents. We must keep children safe and protected.

https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/guidance/snapchat-safety-ahow-to-guide-for-parents/

How to stay safe on Snapchat: Parent guide I Internet Matters



Learn more about the platform, how it works, the data it collects and more to help keep teens safe on Snapchat.

www.internetmatters.org

Flu Vaccinations

Letters regarding upcoming flu vaccinations have been sent home. Please remember to fill in your consent form using the code and link on the letter. Flu Vaccinations will take place on Thursday 9th November.

As the weather turns wetter and colder, please remember to send your child to school with a coat everyday, thank you.

Parent/Carer Learning Consultations

A message regarding Parent/Carer Learning Consultations was added to Dojo last week. Please complete the form with your three preferred time slots. Confirmation of appointments will be provided w/c 23rd October. Thank you.

Weekly Blogs

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

Class One— <u>Class Blogs</u> | The Mease Federation

Class Two—<u>Class Blogs</u> | The Mease Federation

Class Three—<u>Class Blogs</u> | The Mease Federation

Federation Football Club

The last practice for this half term will take place on Thursday 26th October at Mary Howard.

Well done to everyone who competed in the Football Tournament on Monday. Hopefully this will be the first of many wins and Miss Mills may get her trophy cabinet!



The Special People for week commencing 23.10.23 will

be:

Class 1—Olivia Williamson

Class 2—Roman Mohamady

Class 3—Leo Grice

We now have a Defibrillator in our school, which can be used during school hours!

* * * * * * * * * * * * * * *



Dinners for Week Commencing 23rd October This week is: Week 2



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

DATES TO NOTE

Monday 23rd October—Thank you Vicar week

Friday 27th October—Let Your Light Shine Worship—3pm

Friday 27th October—Half Term

Monday 6th November— Children back in school

Tuesday 7th November—Parents/Carers Evening & Book Fair

Wednesday 8th November—NHS Careers Talk with Mrs Magrath—Class 3

Thursday 9th November—Flu Vaccinations

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

Thursday 16th November—Potential Vision and Values launch day at Mary Howard

Friday 17th November—Children in Need

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

Friday 22nd December—Wow Work 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



To prevent uniform or personal items being lost, please ensure that everything is labelled with your child's name. Thank you. My Name Label NHS Careers Talk Mrs Magrath has very kindly offered to come into school to deliver an interactive talk about NHS Careers, specifically Radiography as this is her current role. This will be for Class 3 and will take place on Wednesday 8th November. It will be a great opportunity for children to understand the variety of careers that are available to them and I'm sure they will enjoy it! This Week's Dojo Scores Water-19 Fire-11 Air-12 Farth-14 Well done Water! ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for this week

Class One—95%

Class Two-96.92%

Class Three—95.56%





For further details & to book contact: sj_ennis@hotmail.com Tel.01827 898108

MAKE YOUR CHRISTMAS WREATH at ST ANDREW'S



CHRISTMAS GIFT FAIR

Saturday 25[™] November ~ 2pm



£25 only

(Includes all materials + Mulled Wine & Mince pie)

Booking Essential!

Contact Sarah Ennis - Tel: 01827 898108 email sj ennis@hotmail.com



Church





WILL BE HOSTING THE FOLLOWING EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN YOUR CHILD'S

ACTIVE SPORTS

LASER TAG & ARCHERY



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!

Monday - Laser Tag Thursday - Archery Starting 6/9 Nov 3.30-4.30 ARCHERY

SH Active Sports

www.shactivesports.co.uk

O @Shactivesports

Our Archery cubs are as close to the real thing as it comes, they provide an oppartunity for children to experience the sport in a safe and fun environment. How good is your child's aim? Children willA 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 bulkeye 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!

To book: Please scan the QR

code or follow the link below.

https://sh-active-sports.classforkids.io



(Open camera on smartphone and scan QR code above) For any queries please contact 07709488681 or

info@shactivesports.co.uk Booking is deemed acceptance of our Terms & Conditions. available on our website and booking system.

SH ACTIVE SPORTS SPORTS HOLIDAY

WHERE SPORTS AND FUN UNITE:

ATE CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CAMP!

GRANVILLE ACADEMY DE11 7JR

MOSLEY ACADEMY DE13 900

ST HARDULPH'S DET3 8AN

FINDERN PRIMARY DE65 6AR

WHITTINGTON PRIMARY WS14 9LG

STONEYDELPH PRIMARY BTT 4LS

IF YOU ARE RECEIVING THIS FLYER,

WE RUN & CAMP 15 MINUTES OR LESS AWAY

VENUES

NERF WARS LASER TAG ZORBING ARCHERY AXE THROWING MARTIAL ARTS FOOTBALL **GYMNASTICS** INFLATABLES PERFORMING ARTS PLUS MANY MORE ACTIVITIES

4-13

YEARS

8-3 OR 8-5.30

WWW.SHACTIVESPORTS.CO.UK

FACEBOOK: SH ACTIVE SPORTS

INSTAGRAM: @SHACTIVESPORTS

9:123

NEW BOOKING SYSTEM NOW LIVE! SIMPLY SCAN THE QR CODE ON YOUR SMARTPHONE!

YOUR

10%

SIBLING

DISCOUNT

FOR ENQUIRIES PLEASE CONTACT 07709488681



he 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



WE OFFER

- 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/

October is alk Get involved and get active by **D** school pledging to walk to school at least once MONTH a week throughout October. aware Walking to school is great Staffordshire for your mental and physical health and also helps the environment Discover more at Staffordshire staffordshire.gov.uk/activeschooltravel

0300 111-8000 Into@staffordshire.gov.uk