

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

27th October 2023



Koinonia- Wisdom-Love- Perseverance



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 a 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 that the parents, families and governors have 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 schools 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



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.



Happy Half Term

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy half term. We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 6th November.



Let Your Light Shine

Well done to Jaxon, Lois, Alexandra, Arthur, Roman M and Anayah for getting Let Your Light Shine Awards. Well done to Hugo, Ted and Albert for getting Sports Awards and to Sophia, Ona and Holly for getting Headteacher Awards. Keep up the good work!



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—<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2023/10/13/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 <https://forms.office.com/e/v2u3cvdNNP> if you would like your child to attend. Thank you.



Dojo Awards

Well done to Melina, Josh and Sophia for achieving their Bronze Certificate for Dojo points. Well done!



Scholastic Book Fair—6th–10th November

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in school from Monday 6th November—Friday 10th November until 4pm each day; this will be extended until 6pm on Tuesday 7th 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 hope the event will be as successful as last time!



Rock Up and Read

The next session will be on Friday 10th November 8.45—9.15am. SASA will be providing refreshments as always—we look forward to seeing you then.



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

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.



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, thank you and have a great half term.

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-a-how-to-guide-for-parents/>

How to stay safe on Snapchat: Parent guide | 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

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](#)

The Mease Federation

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.

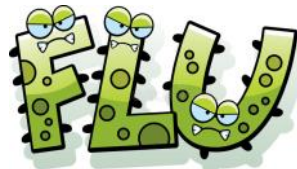
Please note "The Mease Federation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people/vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment".

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

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.



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



Parent/Carer Learning Consultations

Texts with confirmed appointment times have been sent today—we have tried to give everyone the time they have requested but it isn't always possible. If you cannot make this appointment please telephone the school and we will try and re-arrange it.

Thank you.

Special People

The Special People for week commencing 06.11.23 will be:

Class 1—Emma Murray

Class 2—Ellie Walker

Class 3—Kenny Tedd Morris

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, 5/1/24, 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

DATES TO NOTE

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

Friday 10th November—Remembrance Day/Rock Up and Read

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

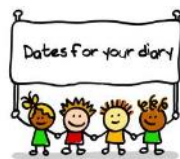
Wednesday 20th December—Christmas Dinner Day

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



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—37

Fire—23

Air—27

Earth—40

Well done Earth!

ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for this week

Class One—92.78%

Class Two—100%

Class Three—91.67%

Well done Class 2!



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IN CHURCH
11am - 4pm



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St Andrew's Church Clifton Campville

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



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St Andrews Primary School

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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 bullseyes 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.



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.

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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:

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

October is
Walk INTO school MONTH

Get involved and get active by pledging to walk to school at least once a week throughout October.



Walking to school is great for your mental and physical health and also helps the environment!

Discover more at staffordshire.gov.uk/activeschooltravel



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