



MEON INFANT SCHOOL

Leaping Forward Together

# Newsletter

5<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

Dear Parents,

We are very quickly approaching the Summer Holidays and the academic year is coming to an end. I would like to thank you all for your support over the years and I know I am leaving your children's care in the very capable hands of Mrs. Morey. The Staff here have been a pleasure to work with and I know they will continue to give your children the best that they could receive.

It is still very important that the safety rules remain in order to keep us safe. I am sure you will agree that the wearing of face masks, 2-meter social distancing and bringing your child to school at the set time needs to continue. Can I also ask you to leave the school playground promptly after dropping off and picking up your child and not collect together in the roads surrounding the school at the beginning and end of the day. Please find below a reminder for drop off and pick up times:



Year	Entry / Exit point	Time if applicable
YR - Purple	Shelford Road/Crofton Road – Please queue from school gate towards Locksway Road	9.00 a.m. / 3.00 p.m.
YR - Orange	Shelford Road/Crofton Road – Please queue from school gate towards Junior School	9.00 a.m. / 3.00 p.m.
Y2 - Red	Shelford Road/ Crofton Road – Please queue from school gate towards Locksway Road	8.40 a.m. – 3.10 p.m.
Y2 - Blue	Shelford Road/Crofton Road – Please queue from school gate towards Junior School	8.40 a.m. – 3.10 p.m.
Y1 - Green	Shelford Road/ Crofton Road – Please queue from school gate towards Locksway Road	8.50 a.m. – 3.20 p.m.
Y1 - Yellow	Shelford Road/Crofton Road – Please queue from school gate towards Junior School	8.50 a.m. – 3.20 p.m.

**We ask that you please adhere to your allocated time slot as this will alleviate long queues.** We have noticed that some parents are arriving “early” in the hope of getting in but we must stick to the stated times.

## COLLECTION OF CHILDREN:



May I remind you that if you are not collecting your child yourself the school is made aware of who is collecting and on what days. Siblings can only collect if they are Secondary school age or above.

## COMMUNICATION:



Please may I remind you to download the My Ed app as this is now our communication system. If you need instructions please contact the school office – [office@meoninfantschool.org.uk](mailto:office@meoninfantschool.org.uk) This app offers many more functions than PS Connect including a payment option where you will be able to pay for trips, Clubs etc. online.

If you have siblings in the Junior School you will already have access to this app and just need to add Meon Infant School to it.

If you need to pay for anything please may I advise you that in payments you need to go to the shopping trolley to access the event.

## FOM's
















The children will be having discos at the end of term and these will also be in accordance with Covid Restrictions. They will be in Bubbles and will take place in the last week of Term. **Year R will be on the 19<sup>th</sup> July 4.00 – 5.00, Year 1 will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> July 4.00 – 5.00 and Year 2 will be a Leavers disco on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021 4.00 – 5.45.** More information about the discos will follow shortly.



## FSM VOUCHERS:







I believe these will be issued again for the summer holidays. We are awaiting details of the amount and will then put in a claim.

<p><b>FUND RAISING:</b> </p> <p>The school will be holding a Non-Uniform Day on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July and this will help Meon Infant, Mooring Way Infant School and Meon Junior purchase a <b>Defibrillator</b> for use in the community. This will be housed outside one of our schools and your contribution would be appreciated. Please could your child bring in a donation of at least £1 on that day and the school will let you know once it has been purchased.</p>	<p><b>INSET DAYS:</b> </p> <p>The following Inset Days have been arranged for the next Academic Year. This will also be for Meon Juniors and Moorings Way Infants:  22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2021  3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021  4<sup>th</sup> January, 2022  18<sup>th</sup> February, 2022  1<sup>st</sup> July, 2022</p>
<p><b>LATERAL FLOW TESTS</b> </p> <p>As you are aware home kits are now available for all parents/adults to use. They can be ordered on line at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests">https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests</a>. Please note these are not to be used if you have any concerns about a child's health. If this is the case a proper covid test is required please.</p>	<p><b>LEAVERS</b> </p> <p>For those mums and dads whose child will be leaving us to go to junior school, I would like to take the opportunity to say a big thank you for the support you have given to the school over the last three years. We will say "goodbye" with mixed feelings as we feel proud of the children's achievements but also sad that their time with us has come to an end. I would like to wish all the children happiness and success in the future. Unfortunately due to covid restrictions we will not be able to hold our usual "Leavers Assembly" which I know all Year 2 parents look forward too as even if restrictions are lifted it would be too short a notice to put together a performance we would be proud of. However, we will be able to give the children a Leavers Disco which I am sure they will enjoy.</p>
<p><b>LOST PROPERTY:</b></p> <p>We have some items of clothing in our Lost Property box. If your child has mislaid something please do pop into the school office and have a look through the box. Any unclaimed items will be thrown away at the end of term. Thank you.</p>	<p><b>ON-LINE LEARNING:</b> </p> <p>We are continuing to use Teams and Seesaw for meetings and on-line learning if the children have to Self-Isolate. Seesaw will also be used as a Homework Platform for children who are attending school and this will usually go out on Fridays. If you are experiencing any problems with Seesaw please see the class Teacher.</p> <p> </p>
<p><b>PARKING:</b>  <b>REMINDER</b></p> <p>Please may I remind you <b>not</b> to park on the yellow lines (both single and double) outside the school. Fines have been issued for those caught parking on these lines. There is a sign on the school fence which indicates no parking from 8.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m. Thank you for your co-operation.</p>	<p><b>PARENT GOVERNOR:</b> </p> <p>I am pleased to inform you that we have just appointed 3 new Parent Governors.</p> <p>Mrs. Katherine Davies – son in Year R  Mr. Andy Holdaway – son in Year R  Zoe Williams – son in Year 1 plus N.E.  Sept. 21</p>
<p><b>PHOTOGRAPHS:</b> </p> <p>As you are aware the children recently had Class Photos taken. Thank you to those who have already returned the envelope. If you would like to purchase a copy please ensure the envelope is returned, with payment, by: <b>WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JULY</b>. Thank you.</p>	<p><b>READING AT HOME:</b> </p> <p>As you are aware we value your support when reading with your child at home. Hearing your child read for 10 minutes a night is invaluable and I cannot stress strongly enough how this will help them moving forward. Thank you for your continued support.</p>

<p><b>REPORTS:</b> </p> <p>Reports will be coming out at the end of Term and would ask that you please fill out and response form and return it to school. If you have any questions about the report please contact your child's Class Teacher.</p>	<p><b>SCHOOL UNIFORM:</b> </p> <p>Whilst we still have quite a large stock of school uniform we will, in the future, be using the same supplier as Meon Junior School and we will send you information on how to order/collect it direct from Hargreaves.</p>
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<p><b>SCHOOL VALUES:</b> </p> <p>Thank you to everyone who completed the parent survey to decide which are our most important Values. We are currently working on a presentation which we will share with parents.</p>	<p><b>SCOOTER AND BIKE RACK</b> </p> <p>Please may I remind you that only the children in the Infant School may use the scooter and bike rack. Also please ensure scooters are parked around the mushrooms and not in the bike rack. I also ask that you are mindful of other people's equipment when storing/ removing the bikes from the rack. Thank you</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"> <b>END OF TERM</b> </p> <p>The school finishes at <b>3.20 p.m.</b> on <b>Friday 23rd JULY</b> for the summer holiday. The school re-opens at 8.50 a.m. on <b>Thursday 2nd SEPTEMBER.</b></p>	<p><b>AND:</b> </p> <p>If you have any concerns please feel free to email the school and there will always be someone to answer the phone during the school day.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PLEASE CONTINUE TO WEAR YOUR MASK/FACE COVERING PLEASE</b></p>	<p><b>FINAL WORDS.....</b></p> <p>It is not without a great deal of sadness that I am leaving at the end of this term after 22 years at the school. I have enjoyed my time at Meon Infants and being with your children and watching them grow. I am sure I will see you in community in the future, so please do pop over and say hello.</p> <p>May I take this opportunity to wish you a very happy and sunny! Summer</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Take care – stay safe – <i>Lynda Daish</i> Headteacher</p>
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