



Newsletter

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Headline!

News!

What a week full of celebrations!

Congratulations to our footballers! The KSSP tournament was just fantastic then our two teams in the Thursday tournaments went on to play equally as well and scored even more goals!

We are looking forward to more children playing in tournaments but please note, these events are subject to cancellation (COVID) and the girl's football is looking in doubt for next week at the current venue but Miss Pallett will update as she knows more.

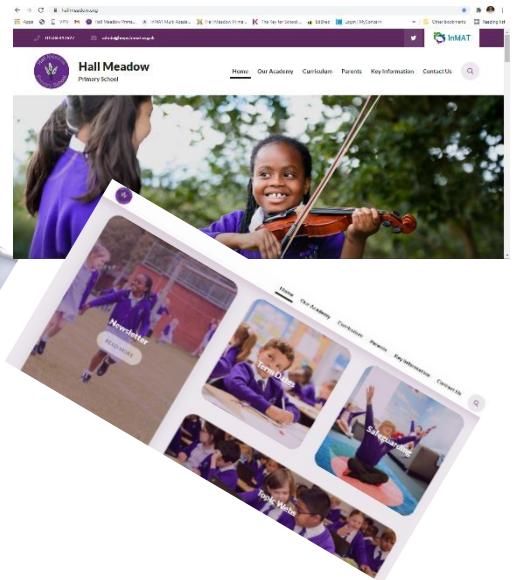
Today we celebrated Harvest. It was a joy to hear the children singing in bubbles and sharing their work too. Mr Johnson will ensure this will be shared early next week. In the meantime, I have popped some photos on to Twitter for you to see alongside some videos. Thank you to those who donated to the Kettering Foodbank.

Our new website has also gone live today! It is a true reflection of the joy and engagement of all at Hall Meadow. There are some magical images of the children and on the home page you will find quick links to the Term Dates and Newsletters.

COVID cases have calmed in school but please continue to be vigilant and wear a mask on site if you can.

Have a good weekend!

Mrs Bodman-Knight

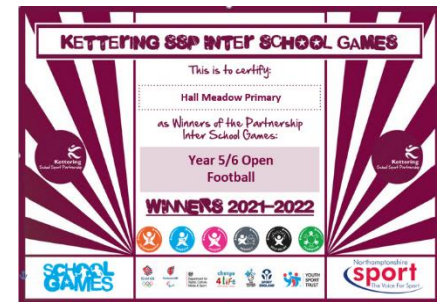


PE and School Sport Update – October 2021

The last two years have certainly proved challenging in many ways but they have been particularly challenging for PE and school sport. Despite these challenges, Hall Meadow was one of only 9 primary schools in the Kettering area that was awarded a Northamptonshire PE, School Sport and Physical activity (PESSPA) award for our continued commitment to PE and school sport.

During the last academic year, Kettering School Sport Partnership once again provided lots of virtual competitions. We entered lots of these events, including tennis, quad kids, cricket and badminton to name a few.

We have also begun a programme to update and extend our PE resources in order to ensure all pupils are fully engaged and to offer a wider range of activities. Part of this includes the remarking of the playground and the additional of new markings.



This week saw us return to face to face competitions with 10 year 5 and 6 pupils taking part in a football tournament. Throughout the afternoon, all the players showed great team spirit and great sportsmanship. We only lost one match during the afternoon and we were declared winners! We now go on to represent Kettering in the county finals which will be held in January.

Over the next few months, we have a large number of competitions scheduled across a wide range of sports. We will keep you up to date with our results.



PACT have very kindly registered Hall Meadow for the “It’s good to grow” Morrisons scheme.




Collect FREE gardening equipment for our school. For every £10 you spend (in store or online) at Morrisons, you’ll get a Grow Token to help our school get everything we need to start growing. Download the MyMorrisons app today and start collecting Grow Tokens and choose Hall Meadow to donate them to. Hall Meadow will be able to exchange the Grow Tokens for FREE gardening equipment to get kids growing.

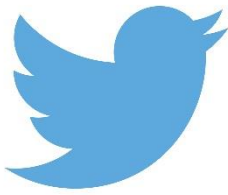


It’s such a wonderful programme to inspire our children to get outdoors, grow, learn & enjoy fresh produce. Let’s start collecting today!



PACT AGM – Wednesday 6th October 7pm School Hall

We know that volunteering for PACT may bring you out in a sweat but pop along to the AGM, have a glass of **wine** and find out about what has been raised, planned events and how we want to develop the school. It would be great to see you all and please note, attending does not mean you have to commit to anything although we may ask to see your moves at some of the children’s discos!

	<p>Safeguarding Safeguarding is Everyone's responsibility.</p> <p>If you have a concern about safeguarding please speak to one of the schools designated leads for safeguarding. Mrs Bodman-Knight Miss Renshaw Mrs Ricotta</p> <p>Alternatively, if your matter is urgent or outside school times please contact the MASH team on 0300 126 7000</p>
	<p>We would just like to remind you of our nut policy. We have children with allergies in all year groups. Please do not send your children to school with any foods that contain nuts.</p> <p>Thank you for your support.</p>
	<p>Pupil Premium</p> <p>The pupil premium is additional school funding for disadvantaged children. It is paid directly to your child's school to improve the quality of their education.</p> <p>Your child's school may be entitled to pupil premium funding if you receive one of the following benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income Support • Income Based Job Seekers Allowance • Child Tax Credit Only (with income up to £16,190) with no element of Working Tax Credit • National Asylum Seekers Support • Guarantee Element of the State Pension Credit • Employment and Support Allowance (income related) • Universal Credit (income dependant) <p>How does my school get the pupil premium for my child? Early years years: reception, year 1 and year 2 All children at this age are eligible for free school meals so you will need to apply separately for the pupil premium for your child's school. Please be aware that a child must reside with the applicant to receive the pupil premium.</p> <p>Year 3 and above If your child is in year 3 and above, and you want to check eligibility for pupil premium, please use the free school meals form to apply for pupil premium entitlement.</p>

	<p>The school the child is attending will automatically get a pupil premium amount if the child is eligible for free school meals. For further information and to apply please go to: https://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/schools-and-education/Pages/free-school-meals.aspx</p> <p>Hall Meadow gives KS2 parents up to £150 to support the family in purchasing uniform, school photos, paying towards school clubs and trips.</p> <p>Please note those families currently in receipt of free school meals/pupil premium vouchers will be sent home with clear instructions in the next week.</p>
 <p>Whole school - @primary_hall Iris - @HMiris2 Demeter - @DemeterHm Apollo - @HmApollo Poseidon - @HmPoseidon Athena - @HMAthena6 Ares - @HMAres2 Zeus - @hm_zeus</p>	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Tweet of the week!</h3> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div data-bbox="746 725 1043 1200" style="width: 60%;">  </div> <div data-bbox="1091 882 1469 949" style="width: 35%;"> <p>Athena class have been busy in science this week!</p> </div> </div>
	<p>Dates October dates for your diary!</p> <p>Wednesday 6th October 7pm PACT AGM all welcome Tuesday 19th October Problem Solving Day with the Happy Puzzle Company Wednesday 20th October 9:10am Zeus Class Assembly – Zeus parents welcome Thursday 21st October -Mufti and PACT disco / End of Term Friday 22nd October – Staff Training Day</p>
<p>2021-22</p>	<p>Term 1 Thursday 21st Oct – Last day of term Friday 22nd Oct – Training Day</p> <p>Term 2 Monday 1st November Friday 17th December</p> <p>Term 3 Tuesday 4th January – Training Day</p>

Wednesday 5th January – School open to all pupils
Friday 11th February – End of term

Term 4

Monday 21st February – Training day

Tuesday 22nd February – School open to all pupils

Friday 1st April – End of term

Term 5

Tuesday 19th April – School open to all pupils

Friday 27th May – End of term

Term 6

Monday 6th June – Training Day

Tuesday 7th June – School open to all pupils

Friday 22nd July – End of term