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Please be on time – registration is at ten to nine!

WEEK AT A VIEW

Parent Conversations week

Monday 24 th September 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reception children - third week in- 8:40- 3:15
Tuesday 25 th September 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> West Wilts Young Ambassadors and PE Conference- selected children have been invited Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service Safe and Well Education Visit- Year 2 & Year 5
Wednesday 26 th September 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 09:00 am – Community Assembly- Digital leaders Wiltshire Times in to take Reception Year photo
Thursday 27 th September 2018	
Friday 29 th September 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 09:00 am - Celebration Assembly- Star of the week

FUTURE DATES TERM 1

1 st October 2018	Teacher led clubs start this week
3 rd October 2018	Community assembly- Year 6- Growth mindset
5 th October 2018	Red, White, Blue day- children can come to school wearing those colours to commemorate end of WWI
10 th October 2018	Community assembly- Sporting celebration

“Don't be average Be AWESOME!”

Congratulations to: **Sara, Leila, Tabitha, Zachary, Harvey, Arin, Scarlett, Lily, Noah** who are this week's stars!



Assemblies: Please come and celebrate with us at our Friday Star of The Week assembly when your child is chosen as the class star.

All parents are welcome on Wednesday and Friday assemblies at 9:00am.

Please find below our citizenship quote of the week.

“Happiness can be found in the darkest of times, if one only remembers to turn on the light.” Albus Dumbledore-From: Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban

Parent Conversations - Week commencing Monday 24th September 2018

We will be collecting your feedback about the school during Parent Conversations Week. Please complete a questionnaire while waiting for your appointment and you will be entered into our prize draw for a £20 Amazon voucher.

There will be no crèche available so please make sure that you do not leave your children unattended.

Please make sure that you book your appointment as soon as possible. If you have any questions or need help please contact the school office.

Please send comments or feedback to [office @castlemead.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:office@castlemead.wilts.sch.uk).

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Facebook page

Alongside our Twitter page  @CastleMeadSch we have set up a Facebook page to give you another way of finding out about school events, news and activities - search for Castle Mead School on Facebook and like our page to receive updates.

Please continue to contact the school office if you have any questions or concerns

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Advance Notice- changes to how we process payments

Cashless and paperless school

From Term 2 (6th November 2018) we will be going completely cashless, therefore you will need to be registered with ParentMail before this date in order to pay for school items as we will no longer be accepting cash or cheques. We appreciate your support in making payments electronically.

We will inform you about items you will need to pay for through ParentMail, and you will be able to pay electronically, using credit or debit cards as well as PayPal.

If you have an Android or Apple smartphone, we would highly recommend you download the **free** ParentMail App so that you can make easy, online payments on the go. To do this, simply search for "ParentMail" in your App store.

Please note, your bank statement will display either the school name or ParentMail, dependent on your payment method.

If you need any additional information or assistance, please use the help site: www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/ or please contact the school office.

Football League

Castle Mead earned a point in their opening game with a superb defensive display in a 0-0 draw against Hilperton. Rafe was the star player with several crucial tackles. A 1-0 defeat in our second game against North Bradley with goalkeeper Vincent pulling off stunning saves earning him Star Player. Our third game was another 0 0 draw with Holt. Casper was star player with a tireless performance in midfield. We go into our 4th game in two weeks' time with the best defensive record in the league.

Mr Steve Savage

For the attention of all parents

Will your child be transferring to
secondary school in September 2019?

**You must apply for a
secondary school place**

Apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Application forms for Wiltshire residents are available at
primary schools, secondary schools and County Hall

**The deadline for all applications is
Midnight 31 October 2018**

All forms must be returned to the
school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge

Ring customer services on 01225 713010
for more information or to request our booklet –
'Finding a secondary school place in Wiltshire'

Wiltshire Council
Where everybody matters

For the attention of all parents

Will your child be four years old
before September 2019?

**You must apply for a
primary school place**

Apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Application forms for Wiltshire residents are available at
all schools and County Hall

**The deadline for applications is
Midnight 15 January 2019**

All forms must be returned to the
school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge

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Absent Pupils

Please be reminded that if your child is absent from school you need to contact the school office by 09:00 to confirm their absence and the reason why. Please specify if it is cold/cough or sickness etc. This is a daily requirement whilst your child is absent.

The telephone number is 01225 768641.

Please **do not** send your child to school if he or she is unwell. In particular **children must not attend school if they have a temperature or for 48 hours after the last bout of vomiting or diarrhoea.**

Becky Owen – Parent Support Advisor (PSA)

If you would like to contact Becky, please feel free to email her on: PSA@castlemead.wilts.sch.uk

Our school's latest news:
Our Twitter feed: @CastleMeadSch

INSET DAYS 2018 – 2019

5th November 2018

7th January 2018

20th May 2019

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11 th October 2018	Open day- 10am-12pm, 4pm-6pm
17 th October 2018	Community assembly- Martial Arts
24 th October 2018	Community assembly- Wiltshire Fire & Rescue- Firework Safety
7 th November 2018	Community assembly- Remembrance- The Royal British Legion
8 th November 2018	Open day- 10am-12pm, 2pm-4pm
8 th November 2018	Flu vaccination
14 th November 2018	Community assembly- Diwali
16 th November 2018	Children in Need- whole school ramble to the woods
21 st November 2018	Community assembly- Anti Bullying week
28 th November 2018	Community assembly- Kingfisher Church- Advent
23 rd November 2018	Year 4- Awful Auntie- trip to Swindon theatre
5 th December 2018	Community assembly- Postcard Celebration Assembly
7 th December 2018	Christmas Fayre
12 th December 2018	Community assembly – ‘Bling Your Bike’/hannukah
19 th December 2018	Community assembly- Sporting Celebration



Train to be a teacher at The Mead

The Mead Teaching School will soon be recruiting for trainee teachers in 2019-20.

If you are considering a career in teaching, now is the time to come and find out more about our teacher training programme and what we can offer you.

Our School Direct programme gives you ‘on the job’ training with a variety of experienced mentors from all three of The Mead Academy Trust schools, as well as our alliance partnership schools in Trowbridge, Westbury and beyond.

There are salaried and non-salaried places available, both of which provide Qualified Teacher Status (the non-salaried places also provide a PGCE qualification).

If you would like to find out more about training to become a teacher, you can come to one of our open days at The Mead:

- Wednesday 26th September 2018 from 2.00 – 3.00pm and 4.00 – 5.00pm
- Thursday 8th November 2018 from 2.00 – 3.00pm and 4.00 – 5.00pm
- Monday 3rd December 2018 from 4.00 – 5.00pm

There's no obligation to apply for our programme if you come along – we're very happy to talk to anyone who is interested in finding out more, whether you're set to apply now for training in September 2019, or whether it's something you're thinking about in the future.

All you need to do is tell us you're coming by visiting our website:

<https://www.themeadteachingschool.org.uk/teacher-training/>