

# Meols Mail

*"Achieving excellence together."*

**15th September 2023**

## News Story of the Week

Each week in the Meols Mail a 'News Story of the Week' is provided. This is an excellent stimulus for a piece of talking homework which helps to advance a pupil's thinking and vocabulary skills. There is no expectation that pupils will provide any evidence for this homework. [The homework policy can be found on the school website.](#)



**Should lifejackets be compulsory for all on open water?**

In Canada, the government in the province of Ontario is set to pass a new law that will make it compulsory for children aged 12 and under to wear lifejackets on boats. Parents, guardians, or other adults supervising children could be subject to a fine of up to \$200 (£130) if they do not comply. In the UK, currently, there is no legal requirement for anyone using rivers and seas for leisure purposes to wear a lifejacket/personal flotation device (PFD).

### Things to talk about at home:

- Share your experience of lifejackets. Have you ever been required to wear one? Where were you? Did everyone wear them?
- Can you make a list of all the times you think lifejackets should be worn?
- Do you feel there should be laws in place to ensure people wear lifejackets on boats at sea? If so, do you believe they should apply to everyone?

## GR WITH MINDSET

### Year 1

Zach M

Albert T

### Year 4

Petra W

Joshua T

### Year 2

Evelyn O

Noah E

### Year 5

Charlotte G

Lucas G

### Year 3

Cole R

Louis M

### Year 6

Harry P

Daniel C



## Star of the Week

### Year 1

Emmy B

Isabelle D

### Year 4

Jack D

Charlotte R

### Year 2

Catelin T

Jessica M

### Year 5

Sam W

Finn H

### Year 3

Ayla C

Eve M

### Year 6

Phil M

Abby M

## Diary Dates

### Monday 18th September 2023

Years 5 and 6 curriculum meeting at 5pm

### Tuesday 19th September 2023

Years 3 and 4 curriculum meeting at 5pm

### Wednesday 20th September 2023

Years 1 and 2 curriculum meeting at 5pm

### Thursday 21st September 2023



## School Games Award

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2022/23 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community.

We are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

## Knowledge Organisers

For certain subjects in school, we have knowledge organisers to each unit of work. These documents outline the key learning and are fantastic for helping the children to retain the required knowledge. A video explaining how they can be used at home can be found on the school website on the ['whole school curriculum'](#) page. We encourage parents to regularly quiz their child on the knowledge displayed

## PTA News

**Your PTA Really, Really Needs YOU!!!** This year at least 7 of our active parents will be leaving because their youngest child is now in year 6. In order to continue to provide the wide range of varied activities that your children currently enjoy, we really need you to get involved, even if it is only in a small way. Here are some of the things that we are looking for extra help with:



- **ICE CREAM SALES** – If you can spare 20 minutes at the occasional Friday evening pick up please contact Patricia (07801 847508)
- **SCHOOL FAIRS** – A large proportion of the Christmas and Summer Fair organising group will be leaving at the end of this year and they would like to recruit some new parents and hand over some of the information that they have picked up over the years. Please contact Caroline (07841 480503)
- **SANTA'S GROTTO** – If you are able to help our chief grotto elf - there is painting to be done and lots of other smaller tasks, please contact Kate (07752 254269)
- **SECRETARY** – This is my final year at Great Meols and in order to ensure a smooth transition, we are looking for somebody to start working alongside me as soon as possible. To find out more, please contact Nyree (07754 755184)

There will be PTA **Pre-loved Uniform** for sale at next week's curriculum meetings

### Attendance - W/C 11/09/2023

The whole school attendance for this week is 98%

Amazing achievement!

**Egrets**

**98.9%**

**Sandpipers**

**97.1%**

**Curlew**

**98.8%**

**Knots**

**98.1%**

*Community*

*Teamwork*

*Compassion*

*Diversity*

*Creativity*

*Resilience*