



**Independent
Montessori**

Primary and High School

For Ages 3-16 Years

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Head of School – Samantha Sims



Welcome to our Primary School

The Meadows is a small independent Montessori School, which accepts children between the ages of 3 - 16 years of age. The school has 4 main classrooms:

Dragonflies	3 - 6 years
Grasshoppers	6 - 9 years
Fireflies	9 - 11 years
High School	12 - 16 years

The school follows the ethos and teaching methods of Maria Montessori and aims to provide each child with an individual learning experience, enabling them to learn at their own pace within an environment that has been designed to nurture and encourage their independence and self-confidence.

We hope that you enjoy reading more about the school through our prospectus and on our website. If you have any further questions or would like to arrange a time to visit, then please contact us. We look forward to meeting you and finding out how we can share in your child's school years of learning.

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School Vision

To provide a school community in which every child can thrive and be prepared for life.

For all children to have a life-long love of learning, be truly independent, intrinsically motivated, secure, responsible, and confident.

School Aims

We aim to provide a safe, happy, stable environment where children can grow and develop to their full potential, becoming confident, competent learners.

To organise a stimulating, inspiring environment in which all members of our school community are valued and appreciated and where opportunities arise from an ethos and curriculum that allows each child to develop, no matter what their needs may be.

To help children to develop enquiring, lively minds. To foster their natural inquisitiveness by guiding them to discover much for themselves – laying a foundation for independent learning.

To encourage children to co-operate with each other, to be sensitive and to develop tolerance and understanding of other races and religions.

To create a positive ethos based on equality, fairness, and mutual respect.

To maintain a strong, positive partnership between home and school, with clear and honest communication with parents and carers.

Curriculum

Our curriculum is a Montessori curriculum throughout the whole school. Detailed curriculum plans are available on request.

Our Teaching and Learning Policies for Primary and High School will give you a full overview of our curriculum and are available upon request from the school office and also available to read on our website: www.themeadowsmontessori.com

Reporting and Academic Performance

Parents will receive a full written report at the end of the summer term outlining their child's achievements and any assessment results over the school year.

There will be 3 parent's evenings per school year, one per term to discuss your child's ongoing progress. Staff will also be available during the school year for any individual requirements.

Policies

All our policies are available to read upon request from the school office and the following policies can be found on our school website to give you more information.

- Child Protection Policy
- Teaching and Learning Policy
- Admissions Policy and Procedures
- Accessibility Policy and Plan
- Complaints Procedure
- RSE Policy
- Special Educational Needs Policy
- Equality Information and Objectives Policy
- Behaviour Management, Sanctions and Discipline Policy



Our Montessori Classroom Environment

“It is true we cannot make a genius. We can only give each individual the chance to fulfil his potential possibilities to become an independent, secure, and balanced human being”

Maria Montessori

Our classrooms are very special places. Designed to be simple, beautiful spaces, they create an environment that enhances the ability to learn. From the simple wooden shelves to the displays on the wall – everything is clean, tidy, ordered, and ready for your child to enter into and start to work.

Everything in the room has a place and an order. Materials are chosen according to individual children’s needs and the ‘theme’ of the half term. They are then placed on the shelves for the children to use. There are also core materials that are in place to support the main areas of learning for each child.

In our classrooms you will find children working in small groups at tables or on the floor. They may be working independently or 1-1 with a teacher. They will be chatting to each other or maybe sitting quietly by themselves.

In one session many subjects may be taking place. Maths, Literacy, Geography, History, Science, role play, writing, drawing, painting, reading. The room will be full of these subjects, maybe with a teacher directing a small group on a particular activity.

The class teachers are not dominant adults in a room of children. You may even have to hunt for the teacher when you enter the room. We direct, observe, discuss, and reflect with the children – at their level, where they are, even if that is laying on the floor!

Montessori Environments are special environments - to appreciate how special, please make an appointment to come and visit our school and see us working!



Fees

From - September 2024

Primary

Termly - £2,940

High School

Termly - £4,112

Fees are payable termly in advance and payment is due before the start of each term

Monthly payment can be arranged - Please ask for details

Fees are reviewed annually

15 hours Early Years Funding is accepted up to and including the term in which your child is 5

Childcare Vouchers are accepted up to and including the term in which your child is 5

Admissions

For enquiries about admissions, please email:

admissions@themeadowsmontessori.com

A fee of £150 is payable with the registration form.

Please see our Admissions Policy and Procedures on our website for further details

School Day

We are open term time only for 39 weeks of the year

Lesson start in all classrooms promptly at 9.00am

Children can be dropped off at Primary and High school anytime from 8.00am

Primary

Monday – Friday

9.00am – 3.30pm

Afterschool Care

Monday – Thursday

3.30pm – 5.30pm

Afterschool care is only for Primary school only and places need to be booked

Afterschool care is charged at a daily rate and payable monthly by invoice

High School

Monday – Friday

9.00am – 3.50pm

Primary School Uniform

Our Primary School uniform is available from the Marks & Spencer website:

www.mandsyourschooluniform.com

Winter / Summer

Grey/ Navy long trousers or shorts

Navy Pinafore Dress / Skirt

Navy & White check summer dress (Summer Term)

White / Light Blue / Navy Logo polo shirt

Navy Logo Jumper / Cardigan / fleece

Grey / Black / Navy / White socks

Black /Navy shoes

Outdoor

Warm winter coat

Waterproof bottoms and Jacket

Wellington boots – named

PE kit

Navy blue shorts & jogging bottoms

White t-shirt

Trainers

High School Uniform

There is no uniform required for High School. However, all students are expected to dress in sensible clothing and footwear suitable for the indoor and outdoor school environment.

Appropriate PE kit and footwear should also be worn for their weekly PE lessons.

Further details can be obtained upon request.



Registration Form

Proposed Date of Entry	
Surname of Pupil	
Forenames in full	
Date of Birth	
Nationality	
Present School	
Full name of parents or guardians	
Home Address	
Home Telephone Number	
Mobile Numbers	
Email Address	
Current Nursery / School	
Signature of Parent / guardian	
Date	

More Information will be required on admission to The Meadows School

A registration fee of £150 is payable per pupil

Please make payment to the following bank details:

Lloyds Bank: The Meadows Montessori

Sort Code: 30 94 55

Account: 15562962

Please return form to:

The Meadows Montessori

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or

email: info@themeadowsmontessori.com