

# MELDRETH MESSAGES



## Headteacher's Award

Headteacher awards were received this week by: **Chloe V, Quinn J, Cora B, Trixie L, Elias R and Abi B**

## Olympic Values Trophy

For respect, excellence and friendship in sport this week....**Emily T, Elliot F, Max C, Alex H, Alan P and Harry H**

## Home learner of the Week

**Mia L** for her fabulous learning poster including some impressive gymnastics moves!

## Star Writer Award

Congratulations to **Henry H** for his dazzling dog description- well-done Henry!

## House Points

The competition is on, and the children have are earning more house points each week! The total so far this half term...

272

335

279

278

Mathematics is a real focus for this school year as new curriculum expectations now mean that we have more to fit in to our daily lessons. We have been looking at ways of improving speedy and accurate calculation skills from reception right through to Year 6 and have created a set of calculation posters for you to use at home. These break down the methods we use for teaching addition, subtraction, multiplication and division in each year group. The posters have been developed specifically for our school's needs and show how each method should be carried out.

If you are supporting your child with Mathematics at home please use these familiar methods for your child. We understand however, that they may not all be familiar to you so if you need any further support or explanation please speak to your child's teacher.

Watch out in the Spring term for our family learning workshops which will focus on using the calculation methods with your child.

**Make a  
NOISE  
about bullying**

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

## Anti-bullying Week

Anti-bullying week is back again next week and this year we want your help to make a noise about bullying. Mrs Franks is running a competition for children and their families to make a rap or poem to promote friendship and anti-bullying actions. When you are ready to perform send your video or written entry to Mrs Franks by Starz or see her at lunch time from Monday to Friday. Finalists will get to perform their raps or poems in assembly. There are prizes for top performances.

**Let's get started now...Make a noise about bullying!**



## Diary Dates

### November

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Anti bullying Week

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> -Y5/6 Tag Rugby competition

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> -Y4/5/6 Stibbington Trip

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> - Decoration Day

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> - PTA Christmas Market

### December

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> -Y5/6 Cross Country competition

Monday 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> - Computing Hour of Code Week

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> - Nativity Play 10.00am

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> - Nativity Play 6.00pm

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> - Swallow class cake sale  
- Widdershin's Puppet Theatre

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Lunch

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> - Last day of term

### January

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> (school closed)**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> - Spring term begins

## Family training

Cambridge NAS are offering a free parent workshop for parents of children aged between 8-16 years. The workshop investigates supporting social communication for children with Autism. There are two sessions; 7-9pm, Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November and 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015 at the Chitra Sethia Autism Centre, Fulbourn, CB21 5FE.

To find out more email [info@communicationcambridge.co.uk](mailto:info@communicationcambridge.co.uk) or call 07975 735 715

## Bike It Website



Thinking of building on skills learnt in last week's bikeability training? The Sustrans' School Officers for Cambridgeshire have put together a "Bike It" website for parents and pupils. Sustrans' work in schools helps thousands of young people throughout the UK travel actively and safely. This website celebrates and supports the bikeability programme which we value in school. Please take a look at [www.bikeitcambs.org](http://www.bikeitcambs.org)

## A fabulous start to the day

Well done to those proud parents whose children are coming in to school independently. Please encourage your child's self-confidence at either the front or library doors. We are more than happy to keep an eye on siblings in buggies at the front of the school and pass messages on to busy teachers. A calm beginning to the day is important for all children in school. We remind all parents that children should be in classrooms by 8.50am and lessons will have started including children working with staff and concentrating on their reading first thing in the morning.

## Lookout club

We are looking to recruit new members of staff to join our fantastic team of breakfast and afterschool club play workers and provide occasional cover for staff absence. If you would like to know more about this position, please contact Mrs Robinson in the school office.

## Children in Need

The School Council would like to thank all families for their support for this worthy cause. We loved seeing you onesies and twosies!

A particular mention to **Annabel W** who raised £25 selling her home produced apple juice.

**Our Children In Need Total this year will be announced next week!**

Kingfisher classes were spotted having a great time at the Fitzwilliam Museum this week.

