

27th January 2017

MELDRETH MESSAGES



Headteacher's Award

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen by their teachers to receive a Headteacher's award:

Ellie S, Imogen B, Cody B, Chloe-Ella C, Rhys P, Elias R and Luca H

Robin Learner of the week: **Haiden**

Olympic Values Trophy

For respect, excellence and friendship in sport our trophy winners this week are...

Leo H, Liam L, Chris L, Trixie L and Lola B

Writer of the Week

This week **Chloe P** was noticed in class for her fabulous advert for the green field on the other side of the troll bridge. I'm sure the billy goats will want to cross the bridge.

Home Learner of the Week

Well done **Kimberley** for your very organised materials research.

Running Club Trophies

Awarded to **Henry S, Phillipa F & Daniel P**

House Points

Wow! What a tremendous number of good deeds already seen in school this term!

Oak	Ash
610	602
Elm	Beech
617	812

At Meldreth Primary School we know that reading is more than decoding of print on a page. We encourage our young readers to actively engage with all kinds of texts to broaden their knowledge and understanding and meaning in what is read. We are very keen to find out what both children and parents think about reading and ask if you will spend no more than 5 minutes completing our **parent/carer survey**. We will be asking the children to do the same in school. We would be most interested to hear your views. Watch out for the email link this weekend.

On **Wednesday 1st March** children and parents are invited back to school at 5.30pm to join in our **big bedtime story event**. Children will share stories with friends and teachers, bring a teddy bear or soft toy, wear pyjamas/dressing gown and bring a pillow. Children will be given their World Book Day voucher to exchange for their free book or discount at bookshops.

Reading activities and support for parents is planned too from 5.30pm – 6pm. We hope you can come and join us.

All our staff wish to thank all the parents who help with our extra-curricular events, trips and activities. Without you, these activities simply would not happen. Your tireless effort and enthusiasm for the school activities do not go unnoticed. If you think you'd be available to help with trips, events, activities or even please **come and join in the fun!**

Important Announcements

The **Mathletics competition** is on. Don't forget to bring in your hard earned certificates!



Thank you for your prompt **return of our Olympic values trophies and star writer medals** each week. It is great to be able to award these again in assembly on **Friday** each week.

It is **Hula challenge half term** in the playground. Children are determined to show that they can hula for the longest or hula with the most hoops. Why not get some practice in at home?

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Diary Dates

January

Tuesday 31st Y3/4 5 a side Football

February

Friday 3rd Feb - PTA Discos

Monday 6th Y6 Bike ability week

Tuesday 7th Y6 SATs meeting 5pm

Friday 10th Non-uniform Allyance fundraiser

13th – 17th Half Term school closed

Monday 27th High 5's Competition

March

Wednesday 1st World Book Day
bedtime story & reading parents meeting

Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers

Our school councillors are collecting Sainsbury's vouchers from 25th January until 30th June. They plan to exchange the vouchers for sports equipment for the playground. Please post your vouchers into the box in the school entrance.



Sainsbury's
Active Kids
Eat well • Move well • Live well



Aim...fire. Archery in Chaffinch class



Disco Days

Our next PTA disco is on Friday 3rd February. Entrance costs £2.50 or £3.00 with a Glow stick. There is a £1 discount for children of helpers. Please sign up to help in advance.

Robin, Jay & Kingfisher Disco: 4:30 pm - 5:45 pm

Swallow, Chaffinch & Woodpecker Disco: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Children's Mental Health Week 6th-10th Feb

Without good mental health, our ability to learn and take in new information can be significantly affected.

The need for good mental health is as important as good physical health. When our mental health is nurtured and supported, we are better able to deal with what life presents us with, especially for young children, and to thrive in our choices.

We would like to invite all pupils to join in a '**rainbow colours**' **non-uniform day on Friday, 10th February** and bring along a donation of £1. All money raised will go towards the work of our in-school counselling service 'Allyance' which helps pupils and their families through range of issues including bereavement, family breakdown and social difficulties.

All Meldreth children will experience support from the service through wellbeing workshops, assemblies and mental health conferences. Experience has shown that intervention early on helps support children's mental wellbeing. All money raised is used to fund this vital support.

Attendance at school

As you are aware, schools have strict guidelines to follow when dealing with non-attendance. **Holidays taken in term time will not be authorised** unless there are exceptional circumstances. Every day in school, or a trip away from school, is carefully planned to ensure all our children develop the knowledge, understanding, skills & experiences to flourish. In missing school time children not only miss key learning but then have to ensure they have caught up on what has been missed.

Twilight at the Museums

Pack a torch on Wednesday 15th February 2017 4.30pm – 8.30pm and enjoy some **half term torch lit Adventures** with Art at the Fitzwilliam Museum, some Curious Collectors at the University Library and even Gruesome Gargoyles at All Saints Church. Full event listings are below. [Download your Twilight 'What's On' guide here.](#)

Our attendance target is:
To Dec
94.6%