

17th July 2015

MELDRETH MESSAGES



Jay class's safari landscapes ... showing their superb cutting skills!

It is hard to believe that we are so close to the end of what has been a wonderful year of "**Learning Together for Life**". It has been wonderful to watch the children's successes throughout the year and I am sure you are as proud of their achievements as we are. **A huge well done to all families for your support in improving your children's attendance this year.** Regular attendance ensures that your child fulfils their potential. We have just exceeded our whole school target of 95% attendance, thank you for your support this year in this important matter.

This is the final newsletter for the academic year and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped to make this year yet another happy, creative and successful year in our school. Our continuing success is as always a shared team effort! **Thank you to Parents and Carers, our fabulous PTA team, Staff, Governors and Children.** Our very best wishes to you all for a relaxing holiday. Mrs Samways will go on maternity leave on Wednesday and we all wish her well at this very exciting time.

Good luck to children and families who are moving-on. We hope that you will take wonderful memories of your time at Meldreth Primary with you and we look forward to seeing everyone else in September for more fabulous learning memories.

Charity News

The total has been counted and we are very proud to announce that Meldreth Primary School raised a huge **£823.50 for the British Heart Foundation** through our recent sponsored Jump Rope for Heart event. A huge congratulations to Mrs Samways for organising this event, to Mrs Plumb for co-ordinating all the sponsorship forms and to the children (and parents) for their active contribution.

£60 was raised for the Rosie Hospital Neo-natal Ward through the name the soft toy competition run by Kingfisher class. The winning name was Sybil and it's new owner is Otto also from Kingfisher class. Well done everyone.

Congratulations to all our musicians on their achievements this year and hard work preparing for our music concert this week.



Things to remember at the end of term

With the end of the school year just a few days away, here is a list of things that the children need to remember to do/ take home:

- **School Reading Books** - All school reading books now need returning to school. We are missing lots so please check at home.
- Children will be bringing home **exercise books** (except those which follow the children up to their new classes).
- Tuesday 21st July - Children need to take home **PE kits** and empty the cloakrooms. We will be asking the children to take all their personal belongings home with them, PE Kits, book bags, extra fleeces, summer hats etc. Unfortunately, we are unable to store mountains of property over the summer holiday. Please could you support your child by providing them with a **named carrier bag** to help them to get everything home?
- **Buying uniform for the new school year:** Please remember to try on new uniform and coats with your child; can they fasten these independently? Do PE shoes still fit? Next week we will be holding nearly new uniform sales at the end of the day, please do come and have a look!
- As of September **school dinners will go up to £2.25 per day** for any child in Key Stage 2 (Swallow class upward) - school dinners continue to be free for all children in Robin, Jay and Kingfisher classes. Please check again if you are entitled to receive free school meals and apply either by contacting the school office or using the instructions on our school website.

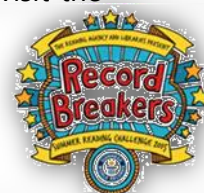
Summer at the Museums

Pack more into your holidays this summer and join museums in Cambridge and beyond for some family fun and adventure. 23 venues across the county will be presenting a jam-packed programme of drop-in and bookable creative activities, events and trails - all part of the annual Summer at the Museums line-up. Whether it's something to do on a rainy day, a day out close to home, or a bit of hands-on creativity, we have loads of activities and events for you to choose from.

Pick up a 'What's On booklet' and 'Museum Passport' from any participating venue, or visit the Summer at the Museums website: <http://www.cam.ac.uk/museums-and-collections/>

Summer Reading Challenge 2015

Please take your children down to the library and register for the 2015 Summer Reading Challenge which aims to reward children for keeping up with their reading through the summer. The children have been told all about the Reading Challenge in assembly, so all you need to do is get them down to the library....and start reading!!



The Summer Reading Challenge takes place every year during the summer holidays. You can sign up at your local library, then read six library books of your choice, collecting stickers and other rewards along the way – all FREE. Visit the Summer Reading Challenge website for lots more information. <http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>