

# Weekly Bulletin

May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025



*Puffin Class Palaeontology Lab*

This half term, our school value of **'Courage'** will shine through as our pupils - especially our Year 6 students prepare for their Standardised Assessment Tests (SATs). Over the coming weeks, we will see their determination and resilience in action as they draw on the skills, knowledge, and attitudes they've developed throughout their seven years with us at Meldreth.

**To our Year 6 pupils:** We are incredibly proud of your hard work and commitment. Believe in your abilities, aim high, stay positive, and give it your all - you are more than ready.

**To parents and carers of Year 6 pupils:** Please find [additional guidance and advice](#) from the Department for Education (DfE) regarding this term's SATs.

With the start of the warmer weather, it is good to see that lots of you are getting those bikes and scooters out of the shed for the daily school run. We would appreciate your support, care and attention when our children are arriving and leaving school now on their bikes and scooters.

## What's Coming Up This Term...

Curriculum information for this term will be up on your child's class page on our school website next week. It's a great chance to sit down with your child and chat about all the exciting things they'll be learning over the next few weeks.

There are lots of ways to bring these topics to life at home too—why not pop to the local library together or check out one of the brilliant museums or art galleries nearby? Little trips like these can really help spark curiosity and make learning even more fun.

## All Teaching Staff Achieve NPQLL Qualification!

We are proud to share some fantastic news with our school community — last year, all of our teaching staff began completing the National Professional Qualification for Leading Literacy (NPQLL), we heard this week that we have all successfully completed this nationally recognised qualification!

This significant achievement reflects our ongoing commitment to providing the highest quality education for every child. The NPQLL focuses on developing expertise in leading literacy across schools, ensuring that staff have the most up-to-date knowledge and tools to support reading, writing, and communication development.

With every teacher now trained through this national programme, our school is better equipped than ever to nurture a love of reading and to support every learner on their literacy journey.

Thank you for your continued support as we strive for excellence in all areas of learning.

## Netball League Finals



A huge well done to our wonderful Year 5 and 6 pupils who proudly represented the school at the Netball Plate Tournament held at Northstowe Village College. On a hot and sunny day, the team played eight exciting matches against other local cluster schools and finished a fantastic fourth overall.

Throughout the tournament, the children showed excellent teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and the way they represented our school. Well done, team!

**A huge well done to Jess, Greg, Alice, Arthur, Charlotte, Amelia L and Fearne**—you did us proud!

## SAVE THE DATE!

On Monday 16th June at 7pm, our cluster of schools will be hosting a Smartphone Free Childhood talk for parents at

Melbourn Primary School. Amy Ruffell, Regional Leader for Cambridgeshire, will be speaking. Amy is a parent of young children and has hosted several talks on the subject in the county including presenting to schools and has featured on BBC Radio Cambridgeshire and the Cambridge Independent.



## Pharmacy First.

Pharmacy First is a new service designed to provide fast, convenient treatment for seven common health conditions, without the need to visit your GP. This initiative allows trained community pharmacists to provide a comprehensive consultation, advice and, when needed, supply prescription-only medicines.

### Which conditions can Pharmacy First help with?

- Sore throat – people aged five and over
- Earache – children aged one to 17
- Infected insect bite - people aged one and over
- Impetigo (a bacterial skin infection) – people aged one and over
- Sinusitis – people aged 12 and over
- Shingles – people aged 18 and over
- Uncomplicated urinary infections – women aged 16-64 years

If your child is suffering from one of the above conditions, you can now visit your local pharmacy to receive the necessary treatment without needing to make an appointment. Simply walk into your local pharmacy and ask to talk to a member of the team.



**PRELOVED UNIFORM SALE - Friday 9th May** The PTA will be holding our ever popular preloved uniform rummage sale again on Friday 9th May. We have a huge amount of summer stock at the moment, so do come and grab a bargain after school in the hall.

**FROZEN FRIDAY'S - Friday 9th May** - Frozen Friday's are back! Come and buy your ice lollies from the PTA, find us at the school gates at pick up on Friday 9th May.

**CAMPING NIGHT - Saturday 14th June** - After last year's very successful camping event in aid of the swimming pool, the PTA will be hosting another night full of fun, BBQ, swimming & camping. Watch out for further details on the PTA notice board.

**KRISPY KREME SALE - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June** - The PTA committee is pleased to be bringing back our Krispy Kreme sale! Pre-order your delicious doughnuts on MCAS until Friday 13th June. Collection from the school gates.

**DISCO - Friday 4th July** - We are also very pleased to be able to confirm the date of our next disco. Come and join us KS1 from 4.30 - 5.30pm & KS2 from 5.45 - 7pm. Tickets available to buy on MCAS soon, £3 a ticket.

Thanks as always for your support!

*Please check [our website calendar](#) for upcoming events and important dates  
From the Team at Meldreth Primary School – we wish you well!*



					
Otis S	Macey L	Molly B	Isaac I	Miley H	Henry L
Ava R	Victoria-Grace A	Sophia G	George T	Sadie-Jean T	Vinnie T
Cali R	Oliver S	Ava B	Rupert GP	Luca R	Avery TB
	Jess P		Will M		Alex F



## Our Swimming Pool

Meldreth  
Primary School



**We are extremely fortunate to have our own pool onsite**



Pupils benefit from dedicated weekly swimming lessons during the summer half term helping them increase their confidence and skills in the water whilst creating happy memories and having fun with their friends.

**We are asking each family at school to contribute £25\* a year to help keep the pool running**

*\*or whatever you can afford to give*

### Why the swimming pool needs your support

It is completely funded by the PTA – we receive no funds from school budget or the Local Authority.

The money to run the pool comes from fundraising and support from our school community.

We want to keep our pool for everyone to benefit from now and in the future.

Swimming is a life skill and helps with fitness and mental health. Everyone should have access.

### Each year we pay for:

- Commissioning & decommissioning
- Oil for heating
- Water testing
- Chlorine and supplies
- Servicing & repairs
- Training for pool carers

Costs vary year to year  
2023 = £4000!

### Meldreth School pool has taught generations of children to swim

Amazing previous fundraising efforts across the school and the local community secured the current pool facility.

**It is our mission to ensure we can continue to fund it.**

We are so grateful to everyone who has previously contributed. We rely on ongoing support from our school community so we can budget for running costs, repairs and future improvements.



Pupils at Meldreth swim at least twice a week over 6 weeks – compare your donation to the cost of local swimming lessons which cost between £5-£20 per week.

**Please help us keep the pool running by making a donation on MCAS now**

**Thank you!**

Remember to complete a Gift Aid form (if you are eligible) so we can claim an extra 25% on your donation at no extra cost to you! Forms available to pick up from the office.

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# FROZEN FRIDAYS

ARE BACK!!

OUR FIRST SALE IS ON

**FRIDAY 9TH  
MAY**

OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL GATE  
AT 3.10PM

50P - £1 PER ITEM