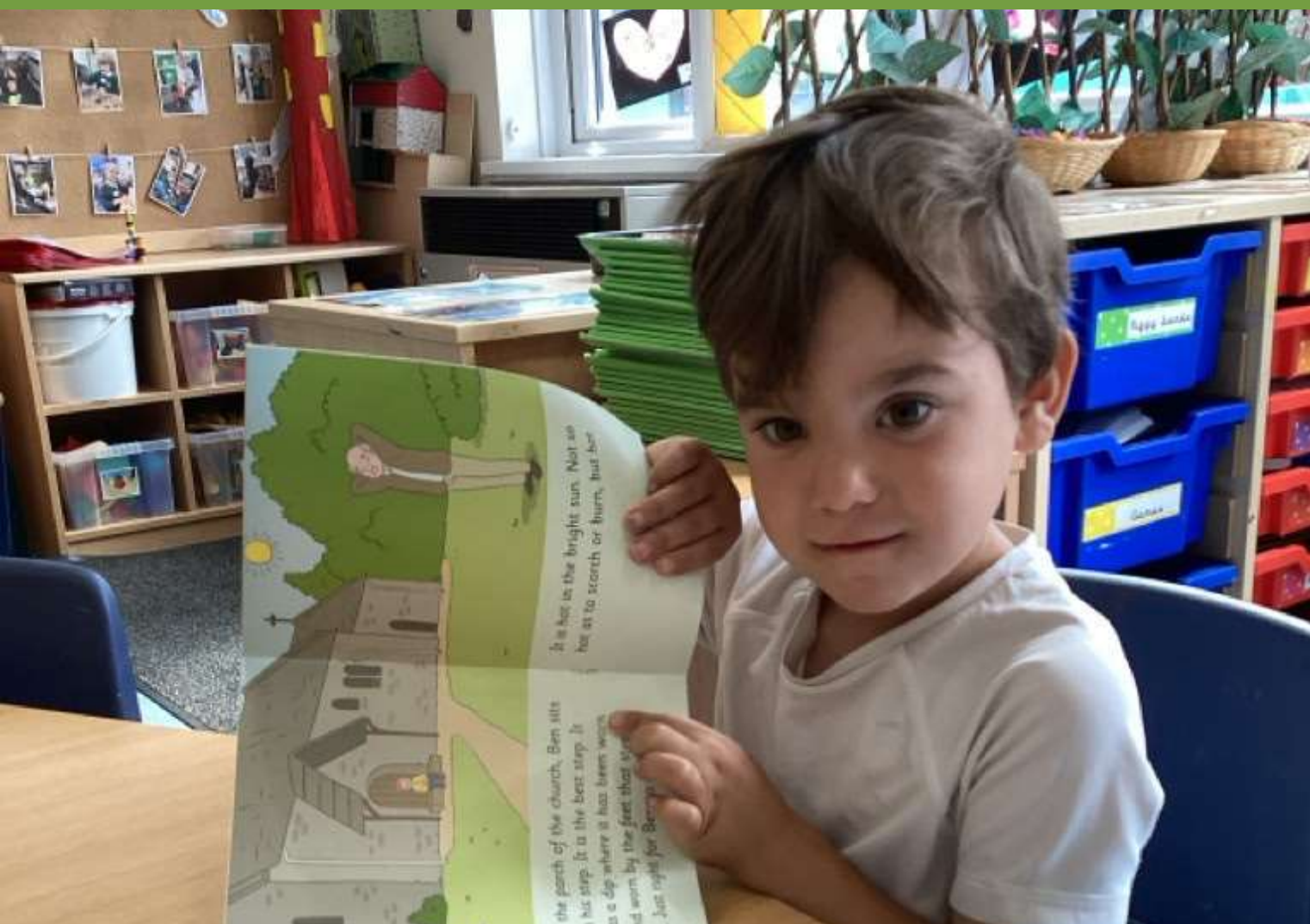


Meldreth Primary School



# Prospectus

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# Welcome

**We will work hard with you to ensure that your child wants to learn with us every single day.**

At our school, our aim is to develop in every child the skills, knowledge, and understanding they need to embrace future opportunities and face life's challenges with confidence. We are equally committed to nurturing each child's individual talents and inspiring a lifelong love of learning.

From the moment your child joins us – whether in Preschool, Reception, or later on – we work to build strong relationships with both children and their families. We warmly invite you to become involved in all aspects of school life and pride ourselves on being a welcoming, inclusive community.

We believe that education is most successful when it is a partnership between home and school. That's why we keep you informed about your child's progress and well-being through regular updates, parent meetings, and workshops. Our staff are always happy to talk with you, and we value your role as your child's first and most important teacher. We know from experience that learning today looks very different from the past, and we're here to support you as you support your child.

We have high expectations for all children in our care. Children come first in everything we do, and we strive to ensure each one reaches their full potential in a diverse and rapidly changing world. Working as a dedicated, passionate, and dynamic team, we provide a safe, happy, and caring environment where every child is valued, listened to, and supported.

I feel truly privileged to lead such an inspiring team of educators and support staff, and to be part of a school where kindness, ambition, and curiosity flourish. I hope you are captured by the warmth and charm of our school and that we have the opportunity to welcome you into our community very soon.

**Meldreth is a school that values children as individuals.**

Sasha Howard  
Headteacher







# About Us

Meldreth Primary School is located at the heart of the village of Meldreth, set within a large and attractive site tucked away from the High Street. We are a one-form entry primary school with a 30-hour preschool, set in beautiful grounds overlooking open fields and farmland, giving the school a truly rural and peaceful feel.

Our spacious grounds include a large field used for play and sports, as well as a generously sized playground. Both are equipped with age-appropriate climbing frames to encourage active play. Our Early Years classes also benefit from well-resourced outdoor learning areas designed to support their development in a safe, engaging environment.

We make full use of our extensive outdoor space, which includes a dedicated wildlife area, a school allotment, and an outdoor classroom — all of which support hands-on, experiential learning across the curriculum.

Children spend seven years with us, progressing through our seven single-age classrooms. Our learning environment is housed in a blend of historic and modern buildings. The original school building, dating back to 1910, was extended in 1965, with further significant improvements and expansions completed in 2018. These developments have enhanced our facilities while preserving the school's unique character and village charm.

**We pride ourselves in providing a caring friendly environment  
where we get to know and support you as a family**



**We encourage your child to develop their potential, and pride in their achievement**

The central aims of our curriculum are to work in close partnership with families and the wider community to promote pupils' spiritual, moral, social, and cultural development, and to prepare every child for the opportunities, responsibilities, and experiences of life.

Our curriculum is carefully designed to meet the requirements of the National Curriculum, while also reflecting the unique context of our school. Children gain first-hand knowledge and develop essential skills through rich, engaging learning experiences.

We deliver both core and foundation subjects within a well-structured and cohesive framework. Cross-curricular themes — including environmental sustainability, economic awareness, and global citizenship — are thoughtfully woven throughout the curriculum, helping children to make meaningful connections across subjects and with the world around them.

More detailed information about our curriculum can be found on our school website.

**Our behaviour expectation emphasises collaboration in striving for excellence**





# Academic Excellence

**We give the highest priority to academic excellence through an exciting creative curriculum**

Our children are delightful, well behaved and want to learn. Meldreth Primary School enjoys a strong academic reputation, with children achieving highly across many areas of learning. Excellence is both encouraged and celebrated throughout the school.

Our pupils leave Meldreth Primary School as confident, capable learners, with strong levels of literacy and numeracy. By the end of Key Stage 2 (age 11), pupil outcomes are consistently above both national and Cambridgeshire averages, with a significant proportion of children achieving at the higher standard.

We are committed to ensuring that every child reaches their full potential. The school is supported by Cambridgeshire's Local Offer, and we take a personalised approach to meeting the needs of each child. Where appropriate, we work closely with external agencies to provide additional guidance and support, ensuring that every pupil receives the help they need to thrive.

**We are committed to inclusive cultures, policies and practices**



**We have a strong commitment to outdoor learning**





# Early Years

Our Early Years phase provides an excellent start to school life in bright, well-resourced classrooms with spacious, covered outdoor areas—so children can play and learn outside in all weathers.

Learning in Preschool and Reception is based on the Development Matters curriculum and tailored to each child's needs and interests. Through fun, hands-on activities, children build essential skills while feeling like they're simply playing.

We use **Tapestry**, an online platform, to share updates with parents and celebrate achievements at home and school.

Led by a dedicated EYFS Leader and supported by experienced staff, we ensure smooth transitions and happy, confident children who are excited to come to school each day.

**Every child is unique and special, and we aim to provide a broad curriculum for all**



At Meldreth Primary School, every pupil has the right to learn in a calm and focused environment, free from distraction. Our school aims and positive behaviour expectations are consistently promoted in every classroom, creating a culture where collaboration and the pursuit of excellence are encouraged and celebrated.

Our values are clearly expressed through our Children's Charter, which sets out the rights and responsibilities of every child in our care:

- ★ Be respected   ★ Make choices
- ★ Join in   ★ Be told the truth
- ★ Be listened to   ★ Learn
- ★ Have help   ★ Be independent
- ★ Have friends   ★ Not be bullied
- ★ Have fun

We recognise that some children may face barriers to learning, and we have systems in place to identify and support these pupils at the earliest stage. Tailored interventions are used to help them overcome challenges and reach their full potential.

This personalised approach to learning applies to all pupils across the academic spectrum. For our more able learners, this includes regular challenges and opportunities to take part in enrichment events designed to extend their skills and nurture their individual talents.

**Every pupil has an entitlement to learning without distraction from the behaviour of others**





# Healthy Eating at School

We are committed to promoting and monitoring healthy food at break and lunch times. You may like your child to have a mid-morning snack; we welcome fruit and vegetables, and ask you not to send your child with chocolate, crisps or sweets of any kind.

Children in our first three youngest classes are provided with fruit every day as part of the National Fruit Scheme.

Children may book a school dinner or bring a packed lunch. High quality school meals are cooked on the premises and always include vegetarian and cold options. If your child has any specific dietary requirement, please contact the school for a personalised menu

If you think your child may be eligible for funded school meals, please let our school office know or find out how to apply on our school website.

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**All children are encouraged to bring water into school  
in a refillable bottle**



The safety and wellbeing of every child is our top priority. Our staff, volunteers, and visitors have current DBS checks, and we follow clear, robust safeguarding procedures.





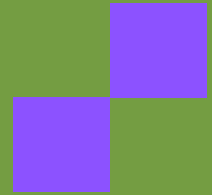
# Attendance

Regular attendance is vital for your child's progress. Children who miss school often fall behind, and poor attendance affects achievement.

By law, holidays in term time are not allowed. Leave can only be granted in exceptional circumstances at the headteacher's discretion. The Attendance Policy and request form are available on our website.

If your child is unwell or absent for an unavoidable reason, please call the attendance line on 01763 260432 (option 1). These absences will be authorised.

Thank you for supporting your child's education.



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