Weekly Bulletin

MELDRETH Primary School

7th November 2025



Puffin Class

Welcome back to the start of the new half term. The winter weather has been kind to us so far but it is certainly getting much colder. Please ensure that your child brings a warm coat to school. We are sensitive to the changing weather conditions but most days, as you can see above, the children will be learning outside at some point. Our Parent Consultation Booking will be open after 3pm today. Use your MCAS account to book your preferred meeting time. A user guide can be found here.

Next week in school...

Monday 10th

Odd Socks Day - Please wear odd socks to school - Let's celebrate what makes us all unique at the start of Anti-Bullying week!

Anti-Bullying Week Begins - Throughout the week, we'll be taking part in activities that celebrate kindness, respect, and inclusion. Our aim is to help children understand how their words and actions can be a powerful force for good in our school community.



Last chance for Poppies ahead of our remembrance assembly on Tuesday!

Tuesday 11th

Pinpoint online parent session – Supporting Your Neurodiverse Child with Eating, Sleeping and Toileting - 1-2:30pm

Click here to **Join the Teams meeting**

Meeting ID: 337 778 662 074 2 Passcode: yQ3hd2VW

Book Fayre - Last day until 4pm in the KS2 library. All payments must be made by card through a QR code

Wednesday 12th



School Photographs - We don't want you to miss out on those happy memories of school life so our photographer will be in school to take individual and sibling photos; **please make sure your child has their full school uniform even on a PE day.**

Friday 14th

Children in Need

To join in the fun, School Councillors are inviting children, parents, and staff to come to school wearing their sleepwear! **Think pyjamas, dressing gowns, and trainers** — but don't forget to dress warmly for the November chill. All we ask is for a **suggested donation of £1**, which will go directly to BBC Children in Need.





Preschool Post

Welcome back after the half-term break! It has been a wonderful first week back, and the children have settled in beautifully. They were full of excitement and eager to share their stories from the holidays, from dressing up and family adventures to cosy days spent at home.

This week, the children have enjoyed a variety of creative activities inspired by Bonfire Night, including making their own colourful firework pictures and taking part in discussions and activities around firework safety. There has also been plenty of fun with sand, water and lots of messy play. Always a favourite!

Our new mud kitchen has been a huge hit, sparking wonderful imaginative play as the children have been busy "cooking" up all sorts of delicious pretend meals for their friends and staff!! This term, our learning will focus on the themes of Winter and Christmas, with a range of exciting, hands-on activities planned to support every child's next steps across all areas of the EYFS curriculum.



We are very pleased to welcome our new PTA committee – if you are interested in joining or finding our what they do to raise valued funds for school and provide great support for our parents and pupils family life, see our website pages <u>here</u>. Take a look at upcoming events

at the end of the newsletter!







Felix C	Sophia A	Tom M	James M	Samuel L	Jessie G
Kayden B	Henry L	Alfie W	Verity F	Sophie B	Macey L
Freyja T	Ellie B	Olivia W	Holly W	Ava B	Annabel S
	Felicity F		Rupert G-P		Charlotte K

Please check <u>our website calendar</u> for upcoming events and important dates From the Team at Meldreth Primary School – we wish you well!



Education Inclusion Family Advisor County Wide Online Workshops

Amy Murden is our local Education Inclusion Family Advisor.

offer you an opportunity to ask for information, advice and support on any issue affecting your family life in a relaxed and confidential environment.

These areas include:

- Challenging behaviour
- Routines
- Supporting emotions and wellbeing
- School transitions
- Parenting strategies

- Building resilience and confidence
- Any other family challenges you might be facing

Click on this link: **Book time with Amy Murden: EIFA Drop-In appointment**

Scroll through thee calendar and click on the date that you would like to attend Choose your preferred time on the right-hand side.

Add in your details and then simply click 'Book' to receive a confirmation email, meaning you're all booked on.

MELDRETH SCHOOL AND PRESCHOOL PTA NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME AND THANKS - FROM THE NEW PTA





Welcome

We would like to start by saying a huge Thankyou on behalf of the whole PTA committee for your continued support. The PTA relies completely on parental support to aid them in making a difference to the school and we just couldn't do that successfully without you.



Who we are

This years PTA Committee will be chaired by Abby Bourner and is comprised of parents and teachers, all with the shared interest of assisting the school in being able to continue offering the highest possible level of resources and learning opportunities to all of its pupils.



What are we fundraising for?

At present the PTA is fundraising towards the replacement of several iPads to be used in school. Unfortunately the current ones in school can no longer support the programmes required to assist the children's learning and budgeting cuts do not allow for these replacements within the school budget. Puffin Class are also in desperate need of a new shed to protect and maximise the usability of their new outdoor learning resources.

If you are having a pre-Christmas clear out, please bear in mind that the blue clothes bank next to the village hall provides funding to the PTA for pre loved clothes items received.

The next PTA meeting is at 19:30 on 02/12/25 hosted at the School and via Zoom - We would love to see you there!

UPCOMING CHRISTMAS EVENTS



Christmas Jumper Sale

This will be held on Friday 21st
November at the end of the school day.
Refreshments will be available and it is
in perfect timing to grab a bargain
before Decoration Day when the
children are permitted to wear their
Christmas Jumper to School.

Elf stamps will be on sale via MCAS

from 24th November. The stamps will

be distributed to the children during

the school day for them to bring home

and attach to their cards so that they

can be posted in the School Post box.

The stamps are £1.00 for 20.

Elf Stamps



Decoration Day

The Schools Decoration day will be held on Thursday 27th November. Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper into school and are asked to bring in with them a small jar filled with sweets or stickers and small toys.



The Christmas Fair

This Years PTA Christmas Fair will be held at the school on Saturday 13th December from 14:00 - 17:00. There will be raffles, tombola's, crafts, refreshments and even a Grotto - where the children can share their wishes with Santa himself. A fun day out for all and definitely not to be missed! Details to be sent out shortly

HOW YOU CAN HELP

As already mentioned the PTA just could not successfully run without the high level of help offered by porests and teachers allies and as a committee we could not be more grateful of your continued support.

- Christmas jumper sale this is a donation run event and relies heavily on parent donations of pre loved items.
 There is a box situated in the office for donations of these items and the collection will continue until November
- Sweet Jars The PTA will once again be asking for a donation of a small jar (jam jar) to be filled with sweets and small toys from each child. These will act as prizes for the Tombola at the school fair and should be brought into school on decoration day (27/11/25)
- Class Hamper Collection Each child, as in previous years, will be asked to bring in an item to go inside their class hamper.
 Each Class will have a colour (see below) and the hampers will act as prizes for the Raffle at the Christmas Fair.

The Raffle collection box for each class will be out in classrooms on 24th November.

Get Involved - Attend our school fundraising events or perhaps even help run one! We are always looking for event helpers and new PTA members, just turn up to one of our meetings and say hello-you can choose the level of participation that suits you - there is no expectation! And you will be gratefully welcomed!

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov 20th +24th

PTA pre loved uniform and Christmas jumper sale running alongside Parent/ Teacher consultations. Nov 21st

PTA Christmas Jumper and Pre loved uniform sale with refreshments from 15:10 in the school half. Nov 27th

Decoration Day don't forget your 'jam jar' donation. Class hamper collections will be open from today until 05/12/25 Nov 13th

Christmas Fair
Please come along and
support the school and
PTA at our Christmas Fair.
Friends and family
welcome, lets celebrate
Christmas together.

Please sign up to Easy Fundraising to support the school when shopping online!

Class Raffle Donation Colours
Preschool - Purple Puffin - Red

Swift - Green Wren - Blue Osprey - Pink