Weekly Bulletin



5th December 2025



Here are some of the super-talented children who took part in this week's Cross-Country Event, which saw some spectacular running at Milton Country Park from schools across South Cambridgeshire. Conditions could not have been better for the 800+ runners that took part in the event - the temperature was perfect, the skies were clear, and the course offered just the right mix of challenge and excitement.

It was fantastic to see young athletes encouraging one another, demonstrating not only their physical skills but also exemplary sportsmanship and camaraderie. Congratulations to all the participants for their dedication and hard work, and special recognition goes to those who achieved podium finishes.

A huge congratulations to our Year 3/4 team, who came **6th** and our Year 5/6 team, who came **1st!**These outstanding results show that the commitment to sport at Meldreth is really paying off and that our young athletes' talent, teamwork, and perseverance are making a real impact.

This event was a true testament to the talent, passion, and sporting spirit thriving in South Cambridgeshire's schools. We look forward to seeing these young runners continue to grow, achieve, and shine in future competitions.

Next week in school...

We look forward to seeing you at our **Puffin, Swift & Wren** Nativity next week. Tickets are available to reserve in your MCAS account, **booking will close Monday morning**. In order to accommodate all parents, there is a **maximum of 2 tickets per family**. To be added to the waiting list for additional tickets - please email the school office.

Join us for our festive Christmas Event on **Saturday 13th December** from 2pm! Come along for seasonal fun, treats, and holiday cheer for all the family. Don't miss out on the festivities!

Preschool Post

Allergy Awareness

Although we recognise that this cannot be guaranteed, Meldreth Primary School aims to be a Nut-Free school. We aim to reduce the risk to those children and adults who may suffer an anaphylactic reaction if exposed to nuts to which they are sensitive. The school aims to protect children who have allergies to nuts yet also help them, as they grow up, to take responsibility as to what foods they can eat and to be aware of where they may be put at risk. Please note that we do not allow nuts or nut products in school lunch boxes.



Attendance Matters

Ours is a successful primary school and your child plays their part in making it so. We aim to create an environment that enables and encourages all members of our school community to strive for excellence. For our pupils to gain the greatest benefit from their education, it is vital they attend regularly. Your child should arrive at school on time every day our school is open, unless there is an unavoidable reason for absence.

We consistently work towards a goal of **100% attendance for all children**. Parents should be aware that it is school policy - in line with our Local Authority policy - to issue parents with a Fixed Penalty Notice for unauthorised absences whenever this meets the criteria for a fine to be issued.



The children have enjoyed a variety of activities this week that supported communication, creativity, and personal, social and physical development. Both rooms took part in Christmas crafts, mark-making, sensory play and imaginative role-play, including finger painting, glitter playdough, chalk drawings and the Caterpillars' gingerbread bakery and Winter Wonderland station.

Group times featured storytelling, self-registration, pasta threading, carol singing and rhythm games with tapsticks, all encouraging listening, turn-taking and early language skills. Outdoor play continued daily, with obstacle courses, puddle jumping and imaginative adventures in the wooden boat as children set off "to find the Grinch." Further activities such as magnetic tile building, role-play offices, collage making and practicing BSL greetings supported fine-motor development, social interaction and creative expression. Excitement is growing for the upcoming Christmas concert as the children practice their songs with pride.



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

