# Weekly Bulletin

MELDRETH Primary School

21st November 2025



Take a look at our new Bikeability video!

This term is now well underway, and children are making strong progress across all areas of the curriculum. Over the past week, school leaders have been visiting classrooms, reviewing pupils' work, and speaking with children about their learning. It is always a joy to step into lessons and see how engaged the children are. From what we have observed - and from our conversations with the pupils - it's clear that our Meldreth curriculum is helping them to understand and retain the knowledge and skills they need to thrive. I hope you're noticing this at home too, as your children share the new things they've been discovering in school.

Our **Christmas Post Box** will be open for business on the **1**<sup>st</sup> **December**, on the railings at the front of school. Please would you make sure that all envelopes have the forename, surname and class of the recipient before

posting them in the post box? This all helps our busy Year 6 'pixies' delivering cards to the correct class. Elf Stamps for Christmas Cards cost 50p for 10 and they will be delivered to the classrooms for you to take home for you to write your cards and post them to friends at school. Christmas stamps (stickers) can be purchased from your MCAS account.

Congratulations to Mr. and **Mrs. Elwood** on the arrival of their beautiful baby girl, born on 18th November. Warmest wishes also to the proud big sister! The whole school community sends its love and best wishes to the Elwood family.



### When your child is unwell

When your child is unwell, it can be hard deciding whether to keep them off school. <u>These simple guidelines</u> from the NHS should help. Not every illness needs to keep your child from school but if your child is not able to attend, be sure to inform the school **each day of their absence** by email or phone.

Please try to make all dentist and doctors' appointments outside school hours. However, if this is not possible, please ensure your child is in school for both registration times so that they don't miss important information shared at this time. Remember: if you are concerned about your child's health, please consult a health professional.

#### Christmas Lunch Wednesday 17th December

The children will be celebrating Christmas with a special Christmas lunch at school. Children are invited to wear **Christmas jumpers** and enjoy the festive atmosphere with staff, crackers, and seasonal cheer.

Those having a school dinner will be treated to roast turkey or a roast quorn fillet with roast potatoes, a plant or chipolata sausage, vegetables, gravy, and a festive dessert. For children in Puffin, Wren, and Swift classes, the Christmas meal will be free of charge. For all other children, the cost will be £3.20. **Book now on MCAS** to join in the fun!

## Next week in school...

**Tickets for our Nativity performance** are now available, with a limit of **two per family**, bookable via MCAS. To help our performers give their very best, the **dress rehearsal is for parents with children under five only**. We look forward to seeing you there!



Our **Decoration Day** takes place next **Thursday**; children can wear **Christmas outfits** in exchange for a jar filled with children's small items or sweets for our Jar Tombola. Thank you for your support on the day. Tickets for our Christmas Hamper Raffle are available on MCAS!

#### **Preschool Post**

Across both the Caterpillars and Butterflies rooms, the children enjoyed a varied and engaging week filled with creative, sensory and exploratory activities. Fine-motor development was supported through drawing, threading, playdough and a range of mark-making activities. The children created winter hats, decorated boxes, made winter trees and began sparkly Christmas artwork.

Storytimes were a highlight, with Caterpillars joining in confidently with 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' story, while the Butterflies enjoyed the 'All By Myself' story and reading sessions with visiting **Year 6** pupils. Sensory experiences such as fossil rubbing, sand play and sensory bottles encouraged lots of discussion and curiosity.

Outdoor and physical play remained a strong part of the week, with the children enjoying group games, dancing and mini PE sessions. The children also spent time playing together as a whole group, strengthening friendships. The Butterflies were particularly excited to explore their new wooden panda house with thoughtful turn-taking. Early mathematical ideas appeared naturally through shape sorting, number prompts and construction play. The children also showed good understanding during Road Safety Week discussions, recalling the key steps for crossing the road safely. Overall, it was a week full of enthusiasm, creativity and shared learning across both rooms.



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





**WHAT'S COMING UP...** 





MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> NOV - THURS 11<sup>TH</sup> DEC





DROP YOUR JARS AT THE GARAGE IN THE MORNING



# SATURDAY 13TH DEC CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION!

- \* 2.00 TILL -5.00PM
- \* SCHOOL HALL
  - RAFFLE, JAR TOMBOLA, GIFTS GROTTO





