

# Weekly Bulletin

May 1<sup>st</sup> 2026



*Year 3 & 4 Team Building Day with South Cambs School Sports Partnership*

This half term, our school value of *Determination* will shine through as our pupils - especially our Year 6 pupils - 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 great to see so many of you bringing bikes and scooters out for the daily school run. We would appreciate your continued support, care, and attention as our children arrive and leave school on their bikes and scooters.

**Buying summer shoes?** Flat, dark shoes with a good grip and proper support (no flip-flops, open toed sandals or crocs please). Please do remember that a **water bottle, named sun hat and waterproof coat** are essential items of clothing during the rest of the school year.

## Fundraising Run for Home-Start

Next Friday, **Ellie, Jess and Maya** will be taking on a special fundraising run in support of Home-Start, a charity that helps families through challenging times.

The event will take place on 8th May, from 12 noon to 3pm at Meldreth Primary School. Throughout the afternoon, the girls will be running to raise money and awareness for this important cause.

Families and friends are warmly invited to come along, show their support, and cheer them on. Every bit of encouragement will help keep them going and make a real difference.

We wish **Ellie, Jess and Maya** the very best of luck and thank everyone in advance for their support!



## Introducing Class Dojo



Over the next few weeks, we will be introducing Class Dojo across the school. Class Dojo is a secure online platform that helps strengthen communication between school and home, allowing us to share updates, celebrate achievements, and keep you informed about your child's learning.

Through Class Dojo, you'll be able to receive messages from teachers, view photos and updates from the classroom, and stay connected with school life more easily. We hope this will provide a simple and effective way to keep you involved and engaged. Further information on how to sign up and access your account will be shared shortly.

We look forward to bringing this new platform into use and enhancing our communication with you.

## Attendance Matters

Many of you may be busily planning your summer holiday and we are pleased that many of you have taken advantage of the two school closure days before the summer half term Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> & Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May to take a reduced cost family break.

Could we please remind all families that **we are not able to authorise any requests for children to be taken out of school to go on holiday during term time**. We are aware that the costs of holidays are challenging but regret that the legislation for schools is quite inflexible on this point. If your child is absent from school

for any reason, please notify the school office before 9am either by phone or email. Thank you for your support in ensuring that your child/children have the opportunity to achieve their best in school.

## 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.

**Visit your  
Pharmacy First!**

 Providing NHS services

Most pharmacies can help you with **seven common conditions** without needing a GP appointment



### 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
- 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.






## Preschool News

This week at preschool focused on supporting each child's next steps through adult-led activities and child-initiated play.

In Caterpillars, children enjoyed a Bear Hunt sensory walk, exploring textures like grass, sand, mud, and water, followed by storytelling with a bear hunt story sack. The new garden ice cream shop encouraged imaginative play and communication.

In Butterflies, the theme was growing and summer, inspired by The Very Hungry Caterpillar. Children explored the butterfly life cycle, enjoyed fruit from the story at snack time, and practised early writing skills, focusing on pencil grip and control.

Across both rooms, activities included kinetic sand play, bee crafts, colour sorting, a 3D plant life cycle model, and construction play.

					
India N	Hadley H	Daisy B	Lincoln N	Chloe C	Skye P
Rose P	Harry S	Frankie W	Harry R	Owen F	Cleo X
Olivia W	Jessica M	Roland H	Bella F	Finlay H	Lily F
	Amelia H		Jamie T		Sam HP

### Make Praise & Story @ Meldreth Primary School

3.10p.m. till 4.10p.m. second **Wednesday** of the month in term time



Hello and for those of you who don't know we are a team of people from Holy Trinity Church and All Saints' Church and we come into School once a month to run an after school club. Our next session will be on **Wednesday 13 May at 3.10p.m.** (please note the change of day) when the topic we will be looking at will be the ascension of Jesus.

In March we met and heard about the events of Easter. Collectively we made an Easter Wreath which will be hanging in Holy Trinity Church, Meldreth if you'd like to see it.

Next to the wreath you can see the paper plates they made with Easter Egg tops which opened to reveal a cross with a heart in the middle of it to remind us that God loves us and that is why the miracle of Easter happened.

This after school club is free and open to anyone who attends Meldreth Primary School. You will need to register by contacting Pat Smith on the following e-mail: [reader.asmhtm@gmail.com](mailto:reader.asmhtm@gmail.com). All children must be picked up by their parent/carer and we must know in advance if someone else is collecting the child(ren) on your behalf. We would appreciate **registration a few days before** to enable us to prepare the materials. If you would like to know anything more please do contact Pat on the above address or by phone on 01763 262575. We look forward to welcoming you.