

Weekly Bulletin

November 8th 2024



Kite Class Oracy

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 is now Open**. Use your MCAS account to book your preferred meeting time. A user guide can be found [here](#).

School Photographs

We don't want you to miss out on those happy memories of school life so our photographer will be in school on **Wednesday 13th November** to take individual photos; please make sure your child has their full school uniform.



Odd Socks Day Tuesday 12th November

Please wear odd socks to school on **Tuesday 12th November**. Let's celebrate what makes us all unique at the start of Anti-Bullying week!



Children in Need



A message from our school councilors... 'It's Pudsey Day! A day when we donate money to charity to help people in need. It is on **Friday (15th November)**! we invite children, parents and staff to **wear their sleepwear to school** All we ask is that you make a **suggested donation of £1 to BBC Children in Need**. Do not forget to dress up warmly (e.g. dressing gown and slippers)! We will be at the gate to collect your donations.'

PARENTING IN THE DIGITAL AGE

**A free talk/workshop with Dr Susie Davies
26th November 7pm, Cambridge**



Are you aware of the just launched [Smartphone Free Childhood](#)? There is a growing recognition amongst parents and educators that *attention is the gateway to learning* and, therefore, that steps need to be taken to ensure that smartphones are unavailable to pupils during school hours. More than 1300 Cambridgeshire parents have joined Smartphone Free Childhood! Sign the [Parent Pact](#) and [click here](#) to find out how many parents have already signed the pact at our school.

The Cambridgeshire branch of [Smartphone Free Childhood](#) is hosting a FREE event here in Cambridge on 26th November from 7pm. [Book Here](#)

Christmas Fayre

As the Festive season approaches, we're excited to get ready for the "**Hidden Room**" at our Christmas Fayre on November 29th! This special room is just for the kids, giving them a chance to independently pick out gifts for their family. The gifts will then be wrapped and labelled, making it a fun surprise for everyone!

To make sure we have enough presents, **we'd love your contributions of any new or unused items** that could be turned into gifts. Here are some ideas to get you started:

- Unused make-up samples or gift sets
- Unused golf balls or tees
- Festive socks
- Any other new or unused items that would make a fun gift!
- Any spare xmas gift bags we could use to put gifts in.

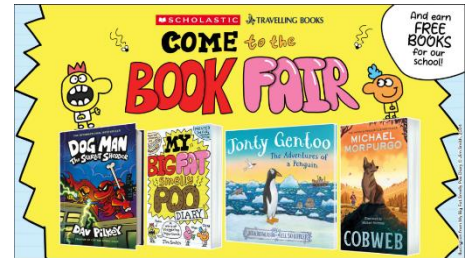


If we get enough donation's we can also use some as tombola prizes at the Fayre.

If you have anything to donate, please drop it off in the box by the school office by 15th November. Every little bit helps, and we truly appreciate your support!

Book Fair

The Book Fair will be running between the 6th and 12th November until 16:00 and will be located in the KS2 library. Cash will not be accepted but payment can be made by card through a QR code.



Parent Consultation Meetings

Parent Consultations will take place for all classes on Thursday 21st November and Monday 25th November. Our booking system will only allow one appointment per child and are live **now**. If you have any difficulty booking, please contact the school office. **No clubs will run on these days.**

Poppy Wins a Poetry Competition

We are extremely proud of Poppy Bennett, who entered a National writing competition run by popular children's magazine *The Week Junior* when she was in Year 6, and was one of 10 winning entries to be published in the *Children for Change* e-book. Children were tasked with writing a story or poem which would inspire other children to think about how they can help the planet.

Author and broadcaster, Konnie Huq, judged the competition and decided that Poppy's poem, entitled 'One Little Plastic Bag', was good enough to be included alongside work from celebrated authors and illustrators, such as Axel Scheffler and Katie and Kevin Tsang.

If you would like to read Poppy's wonderful poem, please follow the link here: <https://pop-up.org.uk/downloads/ChildrenforChange.epub>



PTA NEWS






CHRISTMAS JUMPER SALE The PTA will be running a preloved Christmas Jumper sale on Monday 18th November at morning drop off to help you all get organised for Decoration Day! If you have any festive jumpers, which have been outgrown and would like to donate to the sale, please drop them off at reception by Friday 15th November.

DISCO TICKETS NOW ON SALE Come and join us at the School Disco on Friday 15th November. KS1 from 4.30 - 5.30pm & KS2 from 5.45 - 7pm. Tickets available to buy on MCAS now, £3 a ticket

PTA CHRISTMAS WREATH WORKSHOP Get ready for Christmas with our festive make-your-own wreath evening on Saturday 7th December, 6pm! Led by a professional florist who will guide you through the process to make your own perfect creation to adorn your front door. £50 per person and includes a free glass of prosecco or mulled wine and mince pies! Places are limited. Tickets available on MCAS now.

School Health & Safety Reminders All children need **appropriate shoes (not boots)** whilst in school that support their growing feet and outdoor play safely. We find that this does reduce the number of accidents that children have in school. We expect that **long hair is tied back and earrings removed on PE days** for school to keep you child safe in PE, science and technology lessons as well as to help reduce the risk of head lice spreading in the classrooms.

					
George	Lily	Ayda	Connie	Laila	Max
Dane	Clemence	Henry	Lucas	Ava	Harry
Oliver		Esther		Josh	

Upcoming Events	
Wednesday 13th November	School Photos
Friday 15th November	PTA School Disco
Thursday 21st November	Parent Consultation Meetings
Monday 25th November	Parent Consultation Meetings
Wednesday 11th December	Nativity Performance
Thursday 12th December	Nativity Performance
Friday 13th December	Widdershins Puppet Show
Tuesday 17th Dec	KS2 Carol Concert at 5pm
Friday 20th December	LAST DAY OF TERM

From the Team at Meldreth Primary School – we wish you well!



Book tickets now on MCAS

DISCO!

Friday 15th November

Puffin, Swift, Wren 4.30pm-5.30pm
Osprey, Kite, Kestrel, Hawk 5.45pm-7pm

£3 per child



Please bring water in a named bottle

Tuck shop suggested spending money £2



MAKE YOUR OWN
CHRISTMAS
WREATH

WITH OUR VERY OWN PROFESSIONAL
FLORIST FROM B'LOOMS

SATURDAY | 6PM
7TH DECEMBER

MELDRETH PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL
£50PP INCLUDES A GLASS OF PROSECCO

AND NIBBLES
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Christmas Holiday Scheme Places

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Would your child like to attend a fully funded holiday scheme this Christmas where fun experiences, a meal and snacks are included?

Children in receipt of benefit-related free school meals are eligible to attend a participating holiday scheme for up to 16 hours.

Please visit the County Council webpage for details and the wider eligibility criteria:

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/haf
(or scan the QR Code)

Questions: HAF@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

