Weekly Bulletin



October 9th 2020



Last week, we were pleased to be named in the <u>Cambridge Evening News</u> as one of the 10 hardest schools to get into in Cambridgeshire. Don't forget that the application deadline for applying for a Reception place is January 15th, 2021, but October 31st for secondary applications.

The change in temperature this week has reminded us that Autumn is now officially here and the view from the classrooms is of beautiful autumnal trees. Whatever the season we play out in all weathers, so as the nights draw in and temperatures drop please remember that children will need to bring the appropriate **warm and waterproof clothing** to school to enable them to participate fully. Well done Puffin class parents for remembering warm, mud friendly clothes for the children's first nature detectives' session this week.

We are thrilled to share with you the artwork your child has created in school as part of our Creative Card

Project. The children have thoroughly enjoyed participating in the project and are eager to see their artwork transformed into print. The artwork your child will be bringing home today, can be reproduced in full colour onto greetings cards that are available in packs of 12. Additional items will also be available, such as gift tags and wrapping paper.

If you would like to place an order, visit the online shop www.apfsorders.co.uk and input the unique code found on the reverse of your child's artwork. Hand back your child's artwork to school by Monday 19th Oct.

Help us fundraise and see your child's artwork transformed into cards, wrapping paper, gift tags or mugs!

 To order please visit www.apfsorders.co.uk
 Input the artwork code found on the reverse of your child's artwork
 Once ordered, please return your child's artwork to the school



School Photographs

We didn't want you to miss out this year on those happy memories of school life, and have booked a new local photographer to take our

individual school photos this year. The photographer will be in school

on Wednesday and Thursday next week to take individual photos; please make sure

your child has their full school uniform. **Puffin, Swift, Osprey** & **Kite** class on **Wednesday** and **Wren, Kestrel** & **Hawk** classes on **Thursday**. **Kestrel class will need to come in school uniform on Thursday**.

Parking Perfection

We would like to take this opportunity to remind all our parents about parking safely and legally when collecting and dropping off children.

We respectfully ask our parents and other family members to be mindful of private driveways, the staff car park, 'keep clear' and 'no parking' road markings. It is also important that we **park safely in ways that do not restrict clear views of safe places to cross the road.**

Identified safe places to park include the village hall car park and in Elin Way.

Parking in the High Street can cause serious congestion at busy times and especially when cars need to reverse or manoeuvre.

So PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, just give yourself a few extra minutes to park carefully and considerately and walk a bit further if necessary.



Following your recent responses to our survey, **we are pleased to extend our Afterschool club until 6pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays**. Bookings can be made and paid for via our online booking system on your 'My Child at School' (MCAS) account. Fees are payable on booking via your MCAS account or by Government and private childcare vouchers. If you have not done so already, you will need to pay for the annual registration fee before you are able to see the booking system. More information can be found <u>here</u>.







Friendship Run

At this time of year, we would normally be taking part in our annual county cross-country competitions. Unfortunately, they can't happen this year, but we didn't want you to miss out so instead we bring you the 'Friendship Run'.

Our in school Friendship Run activities will take place from Monday 19th to Friday 23rd October.

We hope that our children will also take on one or more of the personal challenges below throughout the week at home. Some have an element of competition thrown in for those that want it. If you are unable to run you can walk, scoot, roll or pedal.

Personal Challenges

- Running streak how many consecutive days you can run for.
- Run with family or friends can you complete a run with family or friends and support and encourage each other to complete an agreed time or distance
- How far can you run in a week?
- Can you run non-stop for 15mins? or set your own time
- Scavenger hunt how many of these things you can spot on your run?
- What's the furthest you can run in one go? set yourself a distance goal
- Beat your time set a route that you can run or walk and then record your time for completing the route. Run/walk your route every day and see if you can beat your time by the end of the week.



School Health & Safety Reminders

- Please **photograph any comments written in your reading diary** and upload these to Tapestry or email your child's class teacher with the comments Thank you
- Please could I remind parents/carers to keep their social distance when waiting outside the school
 gates. Thank you for wearing masks and not spending time talking to the class teachers at the
 beginning and end of the day. If you wish to contact class teachers, please email using the class teacher
 email listed on our <u>school website</u>.

School Awards

If you would like to find out more visit our virtual celebration assembly page here.

Congratulations to our Star Writers: Perdy O, Arthur S, Gregory K, Olivia H, Masie H, Iris B and Lucia M-R

Headteacher Award winners: Elise M, Vinnie L, Taylor W, Toby V, Nicholas H, Amelie D, Sam F, Jonny T for this week's

Olympic Values Award winners: Jacob F, Archie F, Jacob I, William F, Ellie S, McKenzie L and Henry H From the team at Meldreth Primary School...we wish you all well!