

Weekly Bulletin

December 9th 2022



The children in **Puffin, Swift and Wren** classes threw themselves into their performances of 'A Christmas Recipe' this week, and what a triumph it was! Their story imagined all the ingredients that go to make a wonderful Christmas being mixed together in a bowl! With a host of colourful 'ingredients' (robins, presents, snow, Father Christmas, and much more) **the children's first live performance ever** gave us a very special Christmas performance with some brilliant dance moves, confident acting and superb singing. All round PROUD parents and relatives were treated to two outstanding performances. Please do take a [look at our website where](#) you will find photos taken at our dress rehearsal.

Earlier today, Andy from Theatre of Widdershins came in to enthral us all with his wonderful show '**Rapunzel and the Tower of Doom**'. It was fantastic! Andy also answered our questions and let us have a close look at the puppets. Our thanks to all who have helped fundraise at PTA events over the past year, to allow the PTA to book this enchanting event. We cannot recommend Andy's shows highly enough.

Next Tuesday 13th December, **Osprey, Kite, Kestrel and Hawk classes** will be performing their annual Christmas Carol Service in Holy Trinity Church, Meldreth, starting at 5:30pm that evening. Please deliver children in their school uniform (costumes for Osprey class) to the parish room at the back of the church **no earlier than 5:15pm** and join the festive gathering in the church. **Plan ahead as parking and seating is extremely limited at the church** and ensure that your child is warm enough for the service. At the end of the service, there will be a silver collection for the school.

When Should I Worry



Scarlet Fever and Group Strep A Infections

The Secretary of State for Education, Gillian Keegan, is closely monitoring the increased cases of Group A streptococcus (Strep A) and scarlet fever. As a school, we will work closely with the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA), if necessary, who are leading on the response.

UKHSA is reporting an increased number of cases of Group A streptococcus (Strep A) compared to normal at this time of year. There is no evidence that a new strain is circulating and the increase is most likely related to high amounts of circulating bacteria and social mixing.

What are scarlet fever and Strep A?

Scarlet fever is caused by bacteria called Group A streptococci (Strep A). The bacteria usually cause a mild infection that can be easily treated with antibiotics.

In very rare occasions, the bacteria can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called invasive Group A strep (iGAS).

What are the symptoms of Strep A/scarlet fever?

Strep A infections can cause a range of symptoms that parents should be aware of, including:

- Sore throat
- Headache
- Fever
- A fine, pinkish or red body rash with a sandpapery feel
- On darker skin the rash can be more difficult to detect visually but will have a sandpapery feel

If your child becomes unwell with these symptoms, contact your GP practice or contact NHS 111 (which operates a 24/7 service) to seek advice. If your child has scarlet fever, we advise they stay at home until at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment to avoid spreading the infection to others.

Flu Catch-up sessions

Vaccination UK would like to offer those parents whose children did not receive the vaccine in School the opportunity to attend one of our 'Catch-up' Clinics.

Clinics operate on a 'Walk-in' basis so no appointment is necessary. All clinics open 10:00 – 14:00. If you require an IM (injection), please contact us prior to the clinic you wish to attend. This will enable us to bring enough vaccines with us on the day

Huntingdon	The Coneygear Centre, Buttsgrove Way PE29 1PE	10th December
Cambridge	Trumpington Pavilion, Paget Road CB2 9JF	17th December
Haverhill	Epi Centre, Enterprise Way, CB9 7LR	19th December

School Meal Change

Due to the change in menu for our Christmas Dinner on Thursday 16th December, Cooks will be serving children's favourite **Battered Fish and Cheese and Tomato pizza on Wednesday 14th December**. Please be aware of this change when booking meals this week.



Upcoming Events	
Tuesday 13 th December	KS2 Church Carol Concert
Friday 16 th December	Christmas Dinner
Tuesday 20 th December	Last Day of Term
Wednesday 21st December	School is closed for staff training
Wednesday 4th January	Spring Term Begins
Friday 20 th January	PTA School Disco
Tuesday 28 February	Y5 & 6 Quicksticks Hockey
13th to 17th February	HALF TERM

**THIS SCHOOL IS
NUT FREE**



THANK YOU
for keeping our school safe!

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

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MASH MULTI SPORTS



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMPS

Location: ST MARYS SCHOOL, ROYSTON

Date: THURSDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2022

Time: 09:00-15:00 (Early drop off 08:45 and late pickup 15:15)

Price: £22 per child

Contact us to register your interest and for all the details at

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SCHOOL GATEWAY CASH PAYMENTS
NOT ACCEPTED





**Catch
coughs &
sneezes
in tissue**



**Bin
used
tissues**



**Wash
hands
regularly**



**Stay
home
if unwell**

