

Weekly Bulletin

January 7th 2022



I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year and that 2022 has started well for you – are you all still holding fast with those New Year resolutions? As at the start of every year, I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of all the staff to thank you for all the wonderful cards and gifts we received at the end of last term. We were all very touched at the thought put into the gifts and messages that we received.

We wish a very warm welcome to new members of our staff team who have joined us this term. Mrs Sally Coxall joins us as our new Early Years Teacher in Puffin class whilst Ms Haigh is on maternity leave, and we also welcome Mrs Erika Berry as our new Teaching Assistant working with Kestrel class.

Spring term is always our shortest term but do keep an eye on our website calendar and newsletters for dates of events. There is still so much to pack in! In return, please remember to let the office know if your contact details change or if your child will be absent due to illness, as this is a legal requirement.

It has been wonderful to see the new learning in school this week. There is an exciting term planned with fairy tales, storytelling, and maps exploring the world through the ages appearing in school with lots of opportunities for *'learning together for life'* at home too.

Your child's curriculum map for the term is coming soon to your child's class webpage. Please take time to read through the learning planned and consider the suggestions for extending topic work at home.

School Closure

It is the time of year to test our communication methods. Do you get our email messages as notifications via Bromcom? **You can now update the information that we hold in school for your child through the MCAS portal.**

In the event of extreme weather, whenever possible, Meldreth Primary School will remain open. When heavy falls of snow develop overnight and continue into the following day or extreme icy conditions occur, we will inform you by 7.30am if the school is to be closed.

Any closure will be announced via email from school and a message will appear on our school website. We will also update the following communication channels:

- Our Facebook Page,
- ['Cambridge School Closure'](#),
- BBC Radio Cambridgeshire,
- Heart 103 and 102.7

Once school is open, we will remain open until the end of the school day at 3.10 pm. If heavy snow falls during the day and you are concerned about getting your child home, you are welcome to collect your child earlier. **Please do not telephone in these circumstances**, just call into school to collect the children. Phone lines do become extremely blocked as you can imagine. It is our aim to open school every day but the safety of our children and our staff are our main considerations when making difficult decisions.

Important




At Meldreth Primary School we are proud to wear our school uniform. Please remember that only school shoes, not boots or trainers are part of our safe footwear for school. For safety reasons children must wear the appropriate footwear for school in order to fully take part in school activities.

CHECK NOW.... is your child eligible for Additional School Funding? - [speedy checking tool](#)



Please do continue to inform us if you feel that your child has COVID symptoms and needs to take a PCR test. We will continue to update our website with any classes where children have COVID symptoms and will inform you if there is a positive case in your child's class.

Award Winners

					
Mason A	Arthor G-P	Henry L	Mljet E-M	Elliott S	Jessica P
Petra H	Fraser H	Jacob F	Jack S	Harry S	Emily R
Rupert G-P	Jake A	Toby S	Isla J	Elise M	Amelie D
Caia Z		Isaac M		Tegan L	Alicia W

Diary Dates

December	
Friday 4th Feb	NSPCC Number Day
Monday 14th – Friday 18th Feb	HALF TERM
Tuesday 22nd & Thursday 24th Feb	Parent Consultation Meetings
Thursday 3rd March	World Book Day
Tuesday 28th & Wednesday 30th March	Year 3 & 4 Performance
Friday 1st April	Last Day of Spring Term

From the team at Meldreth Primary School...we wish you all well!