Weekly Bulletin

MELDRETH Primary School

November 6th 2020



Welcome back to the start of the new half term. The winter weather has not been kind to us so far and 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.

This week saw new national restrictions to control the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) impact on education, and childcare. You can find out more <u>here</u>. It is important to remember that lockdown and the identification of CEV and CV (including the over 60's) is a preventative measure. The current data for Cambridgeshire means we have to remain vigilant. **Please do continue to let us know if your child or a member of your family shows any symptoms** but equally there is confidence that systems are working locally. The reported rate - 26th October to 1st November (case rate / 100k) –

• National 220.1

• Cambridgeshire 74.8 (146th out of 151 Local Authorities)

The window for **applying for a place for a 4 year old** at primary school is now open and **applications must be received by – 15th January 2021**. Please do not leave completing the application until close to the deadline as **late applications are considered after all first places have been offered.** We are more than happy to offer help in completing your application. Visit our <u>prospective parent page</u> for more information and our welcome video.

Parents Consultation Meetings

Today your child's autumn term report can be downloaded from your MCAS account. If you would like to discuss this further please <u>email your child's class teacher</u> to arrange a 10 minute discussion.

Children in Need



We would like to invite children, parents and staff to **wear their sleepwear to school** for BBC Children in Need **next Friday (13th November)!** All we ask is that you make a suggested donation of £1 to this worthwhile charity. Don't forget to dress up warmly (e.g. dressing gown and slippers)!

Christmas Lunch

Booking is now open on MCAS>dinners for our Christmas lunch on Weds December 9th. Please book in your MCAS account via a web browser to let us know what option your child would like!

- There is no charge for your child in Puffin, Swift or Wren classes
- Normal charges apply for Key Stage 2
- Children eligible for Free School Meals will not be charged

If you require more information please contact the School Office





Lookout Breakfast & Afterschool Club

Booking has now closed for breakfast and after school care. Any late bookings will now need to be completed by emailing lookout@meldreth.cambs.sch.uk. We do have **flexibility for on the day bookings** if you suddenly find you will be in a meeting when you are due to do the school run, please give us a call.

Please note that all changes and on the day cancellations to bookings must

be made by email to lookout@meldreth.cambs.sch.uk. Thank you.

Bag2School

Following the recent successful PTA pre-loved uniform sale, use lockdown to clear out for our **Bag2School** collection on **Monday 7**th **December**. They will collect all items of clothing and linen but no cushions or duvets. If you need items out of the way, email meldrethpta@gmail.com and the PTA will try to help.

Meldreth Community Food Bank

Our Meldreth Community Food Bank is planning ahead to be in a position to offer Christmas boxes - basics and nice Christmas things - to families who need this over the holidays. They have set up a JustGiving Page for those families who feel that they have the capacity to **donate to this worthy cause**.



The food bank is open now, as usual. Please feel free to ring or text Anne who runs the Foodbank directly on 07592 355279.

CHECK NOW.... is your child eligible for Additional School Funding? - use this speedy checking tool.

School Health & Safety Reminders

- Please remember that children in Key Stage 2 should only be bringing a
 FRUIT snack into school. Thank you
- Please ensure that your child's uniform adheres to our <u>uniform policy</u>, that no watches are worn in school currently and that on PE days, children's PE clothing consists of navy shorts, a white top and an optional plain tracksuit - football kit including football trainers are not allowed in school.



School Awards

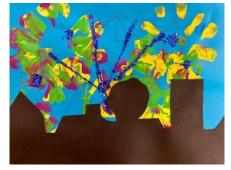
If you would like to find out more visit our <u>virtual celebration assembly page</u>.

Congratulations to our Star Writers: Maya E, Felicity F, Isaac M, Emily R, Leo E, Imogen B and Jonny T.

Finn W, Ella H, Alfie Ch, Hollie M, Edward D, Kezia A and Kiera F are this week's Headteacher Award winners



Olympic Values Award winners: Brayden B, William P, Caia Z, Matilda P, Ava L, Rennie F and Phoebe B-E







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