

MELBOURNE INFANT SCHOOL

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Weekly Bulletin - Week ending 23rd April 2021

Welcome back to all children, parents and staff after the Easter Holidays. I hope you enjoyed your break and did lots of fun things. The children have settled back into their routines so well this week and we are really looking forward to a busy summer term.

Reading Corner

Reading quote - 'There is more treasure in books than in all the pirates loot on Treasure Island.'
Walt Disney.

We will be celebrating Children's Book Week from Tuesday 4th May - Friday 7th May. Children's Book Week is the annual celebration of books for young people and the joy of reading.

A little while ago, following a questionnaire the children requested that they would like an outdoor reading area to relax and quietly read a book at playtime. Last year we started to raise money to purchase an outdoor reading shed, but unfortunately, this has been put on hold due to Covid. As we move forward into the summer months, we would like to start the ball rolling again towards being able to purchase the reading shed for the children.

We will be participating in a variety of events and holding a non-uniform day on Friday 7th May. Children are welcome to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or if they prefer just their own clothes. We are encouraging children to bring a book to share with a friend / grown up at school. Any donation towards the reading shed will be greatly appreciated. Please send in donations on the day in a sealed envelope. Thank you in advance.

Please remember to record reading at home.

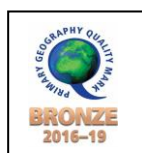
Reading is so important and the key to everything! Regular reading will help your child and it is so enjoyable. It's a win win! Please remember to post any daily reading on your class dojo page.

April Birthdays

We will be celebrating with the children who have their birthday in April on Friday 30th April. If your child's birthday is in April, they can come to school on Friday in non-uniform for their party.

Covid 19

Although Covid restrictions are starting to relax, the school risk assessment is still the same as before the Easter holiday. Therefore, please continue to follow the protocols that are currently in place. Thank you



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Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations will start next week, see dates below. Please be ready at your allocated time for your call, it will be from a withheld number.

Tuesday 27th April - Penguin Class
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Wednesday 28th April - Koala Class
Thursday 29th April - Squirrel Class
Tuesday 4th May - Zebra Class
Wednesday 5th May - Toucan Class
Thursday 6th May - Chipmunk Class

Absence and Sickness Reporting

If your child is absent from school, please ensure you ring the school office on 01332 862325 before 9.00 am each day stating

- your child's name
- the name of your child's class
- the specific reason for absence (at this current time we need more information than feeling poorly)

Please be reminded that if your child is sick or has diarrhoea, they must remain away from school until 48 hours after the last episode.

On the same note we ask that you do not send your child to school if they have symptoms consistent with Covid 19. This includes a temperature, cough, loss of taste or smell. You will need to book a PCR Covid test and inform the school of any results before your child returns to school.

Please see attached information for more guidance.

Polite notice - If your child has been absent due to illness, please ensure that they are fully recovered before sending them back to school.

PTA News

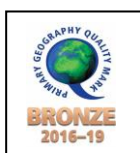
The balloon race raised an amazing £275. Thank you to all who took part. The winner is Charlotte in Squirrel Class.

Well done to our Easter colouring competition winners who are: Zebra - Darcey-May, Penguin - Aletheia, Koala - Benjamin, Tiger - Eva, Squirrel - Jacob, Toucan - Juliette and Chipmunk - Alfie. The winners have received and were awarded their prize during Star Student Assembly today. Well done!

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend,

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