

MELBOURNE INFANT SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs C Gibbs B.Ed, (Hons)



Weekly Bulletin - Week ending 23rd October 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Covid update

Please see our COVID-19 page on the website if you need any information during the October Half Term. In the case of receiving a positive test over the half term holiday please contact Headteacher@melbourne-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk

Online Safety

We would like to take the opportunity to remind all of our school community about the information we have on the school website <https://www.melbourne-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk/our-school/safeguarding> on how we keep our children safe online. We are aware in this Covid-world that we are asking the children and you to be increasingly connected through technology, and especially with the up-coming holidays we would like to remind you all of the possible risks. We have noticed in school an increase in talk amongst the children around online games (Minecraft, Roblox etc.), Youtube videos and especially songs and dances from TikTok. Please note that these games, apps and websites are age restricted and do not have the filters in place that we use in school. We encourage you to talk to your children about these things, to have a system in place in your families where the children can talk to you if they have concerns and to spend time online with them to see whether you feel they are appropriate for the age of our children. <https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/> has all the information you need.

If you feel you would like to be more informed about the risks and opportunities presented by the online world, there is a free course for parents fronted by Myleene Klass offered by the National Online Safety organisation. <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/courses/online-safety-klass-for-parents-and-carers-ages-4-7>

If you would like to talk to anybody in school about the issues raised, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Poppy Challenge

We would like to set you a challenge over the half term holiday. Can you create your own poppy - whether drawn, painted, collaged and put it up in your window for everyone to see? When you are out walking can you spot any of the other poppies?

If you would like to donate to the poppy appeal, please send your donation into school on Wednesday 11th November in a sealed envelope and your child will receive a poppy.

Reading Vouchers

We have been very fortunate and received a £10 book voucher for each child in school from an anonymous donor. The voucher and poster are in your bag today. Once you have spent your voucher don't forget to send us a picture of the book you have bought on Dojo. (Penguin, Tiger, Squirrel and Chipmunk class will receive theirs after half term).



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PTA Colouring Competition

In your child's bag today there is a Halloween colouring competition. The winners will be announced in the Star Student Assembly on Friday 6th November.

Flu immunisations

The flu vaccinations have taken place today for all those who consented. If your child did not receive a flu vaccination today due to self-isolation, absence etc the immunisation team will return after half term to carry these out. If you would like your child to have the flu vaccination and have missed it today please

visit <https://www.derbyshireandcityimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu> to complete the consent form. The option to consent or decline the vaccination is at the end of the questionnaire so please complete even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination.

Your unique school code for **Melbourne Infant School** is **DD112594**

For more information about the vaccination please visit our website: <http://www.derbyshireschoolnurses.org.uk/parents/immunisations>

If you experience any problems, please call the School Age Immunisation Team:
Repton: 01283 707178

Or email us DCHST.immunisationteam@nhs.net

School holiday meals support

Please see attached a letter from the Methodist Church about support for families over the half term holiday.

October half term activities

Please see attached some activities you could do this half term.

Please remember that **Monday 2nd November** is an INSET Day so only staff will be in school.

Have a lovely half term break,

Charlotte Gibbs
Headteacher



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