

MELBOURNE INFANT SCHOOL

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



Weekly Bulletin - Week ending 26th February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

School re-opening to all children Monday 8th March

We were excited this week to hear the news that all children will return to school from Monday 8th March - we are really looking forward to welcoming all the children back! We have been extremely impressed with all the children's efforts during this very difficult period, both those working at school and at home and we would like to thank all parents for the superb support you have provided.

When the children start, we will be following the same protocols as before Christmas ie; staggered start/end times, playtime and lunch. We will send out further information regarding timings on your class story on Class Dojo next week including your child's PE days. There will be no breakfast / after school provision before Easter, but we will review this during the Summer term.

In preparation, if you could check your child has the correct uniform (and that it still fits!) -including shoes, trainers and wellingtons, it would be much appreciated. We are confident all children will have a smooth transition back into school and are looking forward to the terms ahead. If you have any concerns or worries about how you think your child will return to school please message your class teacher over the coming week so that we can arrange a time to call you to discuss it further.

Half Term Physical Activity Challenge

Thank you to all of you who entered the challenge. It looks like you had fun making all of the different pictures on your daily exercise. It was very tricky to pick winners! The winners are:

Zebra - Emma B
Penguin - Leo S
Koala - Jack K
Tiger - Ellie B
Squirrel - Tabitha R
Toucan - Quin T
Chipmunk - Freddie D

The overall winner of the whole school is Jasper R in Toucan Class - for a fabulous dog picture!

Bedtime Story World Book Day - Thursday 4th March

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 4th March at home and at school by sharing bedtime stories in the form of traditional tales, rhymes and riddles. Children are invited to wear their pyjamas on this day. We kicked off the celebrations earlier in the week with our very own Masked Reader event on the Dojo School story where children have to guess which teacher is reading a rhyme behind a mask. We will be participating in lots of fun activities and setting a challenge to see if the children can try and read a fairy tale every day from Monday 1st - Friday 5th March. Children will have the opportunity to make their own mask and read a riddle or a rhyme on their zoom meeting



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on Friday 5th March. During the week of the 8th March, every child will receive a book voucher, which can be used to get £1 of any book or audiobook worth £2.99 or more.

Online Safety

Attached to the email is a leaflet for parents about Tik Toc.

The government have released information for parents and carers of how to keep your children safe online. Please see the link below.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online/coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-parents-and-carers-to-keep-children-safe-online?utm_source=25%20February%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Red Nose Day Friday 19th March

This year we will be supporting Red Nose Day on Friday 19th March. This will be a non-uniform day and we will be asking the children to come along in their themed, fancy dress, super hero costume. Any donations can be sent into school in a sealed envelope. Thank you

PTA News

Mother's Day shop

This year there will be a PTA Mother's Day shop, but we will be asking you to 'pre-order' the gift no later than Friday 5th March. If your child would like to purchase a £3 mother's day gift please email the PTA on melbourneinfant.pta@gmail.com and tell us your child's name, class and how many gifts they would like to purchase. Money can be sent into school with your child's name, class, with the correct amount enclosed stating the above details during the week of the 8th March. Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend,

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