



# MELBOURNE INFANT SCHOOL

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## Shine brightly together and reach for the stars!

**Weekly Bulletin** - Week ending 28th January 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

This year World Book Day will be celebrating their 25th anniversary - with the message for all children **'you are a reader'**! It will also be Harry Potters 25<sup>th</sup> Birthday. On Thursday 3rd March, we will be asking all children to dress up and to bring in their favourite book. More information to follow next week.

### Reading corner

This week's reading quote from one of our Year 2's - 'I like snuggling up on my beanbag,' Ella.

Please continue to ensure all reading books and library books are in bags every day, ideally, in a plastic wallet to keep them in a good clean condition. If books are not returned or are returned damaged there will be a charge of £5 to replace.

### Absences

Please be reminded regulations stipulate that Headteachers should not grant approval for any leave of absence during term-time, including holidays, unless there are exceptional circumstances. Any requests should be made on an official leave of absence request form obtained from the office. Any holiday request, even with exceptional circumstances, will not be authorised during the Year 2 SATs and Year 1 Phonic Screening.

#### Derbyshire School holidays - **2021/2022 academic year**

- 10 January 2022 to 18 February 2022 (30 days)
- 28 February 2022 to 8 April 2022 (30 days)
- 25 April 2022 to 27 May 2022 (2 May 2022 is a bank holiday) (24 days)
- 6 June 2022 to 22 July 2022 (35 days)

#### Inset days

18<sup>th</sup> February  
8<sup>th</sup> April (Queens Jubilee)  
6<sup>th</sup> June

#### Derbyshire School holidays - **2022/2023 academic year**

- 1 September 2022 to 21 October 2022 (37 days)
- 31 October 2022 to 22 December 2022 ( 39 days)
- 9 January 2023 to 17 February 2023 (30 days)
- 27 February 2023 to 31 March 2023 (25 days)
- 17 April 2023 to 26 May 2023 (1 May 2023 is a bank holiday) (29 days)
- 5 June 2023 to 21 July 2023 (35 days)

#### Inset days

To be confirmed

### Free School Meals

**My child is in Reception / KS1 and gets free meals anyway - why should I claim under this scheme?** Universal Infant free school meals end after year 2. Entitlement to Free School Meals will continue until at least the end of primary education and maybe to the end of secondary school (that's at least 4 extra years of free school meals - £1600). Over 3,000 additional families are now eligible for Free School Meals in Derbyshire, in light of this please see the attached promotional Free School Meal poster.



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## **COVID-19 update**

From Monday 17th January, people with COVID-19 in England can end their self-isolation after 5 full days, as long as they test negative on day 5 and day 6.

Please see the link below for more information:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/self-isolation-for-those-with-covid-19-can-end-after-five-full-days-following-two-negative-lfd-tests>

With an increase of Covid cases in staff and children, please be reminded of the 3 main symptoms

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Please note that more recently the symptoms that seem to be prevalent within Melbourne Infant School are stomach ache / headache and sickness. Please be mindful of this and if your child displays any of the mentioned symptoms, please do a lateral flow test to confirm a negative result before sending them into school.

## **Mid-day Supervisor - Job Vacancies (Term Time)**

We currently have two mid-day supervisor vacancies in school. One is a full time position 5 days, and the other is part-time 3 days. For an application form, please click on the following link

<https://jobs.derbyshire.gov.uk/education-non-teachingsupport-services-contract-midday-supervisor-2-posts/29392.job> - closing date is 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

## **Cleaner - Job Vacancy**

Cleaner - Vertas Group Limited

£9.52 per hour

10 hours per week, 38 weeks per year

Monday to Friday 15:30 - 17:30

<https://www.cv-library.co.uk/job/215402243/Cleaner?sid=fcba8569-c86d-49d6-bb51-2f4c340f2b6e>

## **Caretaker - Job Vacancy**

Caretaker - Vertas Group Limited

£9.72 per hour

23 Hours Per Week, 52 weeks per year

Monday - 07:00-09:00am & 15:00-18:00pm

Tuesday-Friday, 07:00-09:00am & 15:00-17:45pm

<https://www.cv-library.co.uk/job/215401878/Caretaker>

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs V Howell