

# MELBOURNE INFANT SCHOOL

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**Weekly Bulletin - Week ending 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021**

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had an enjoyable, relaxing summer and that you are looking forward to the school year ahead. We want to extend a warm welcome back to all our returning children and to our new Reception children and families.

As from Monday, we will be returning to our normal school times. The school day will start at 8.45am and finish at 3.20pm. Classroom doors will close at 8.55am. After that, children will need to go through the front entrance of school. The school register will close at 9.05am. Any child arriving after that time will be marked as late.

Children in **Reception** are on a phased timetable next week and will start with us full time on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September**.

## **Fruit / water**

Please ensure your child comes to school each day with a named water bottle and fruit box with a small amount of fruit or raw vegetables (not bars or processed products please - **NO NUTS**). During the day the children have two snack times, one of which is home fruit and the other is provided by the free fruit scheme.

## **School Lunch**

All children at Melbourne Infant School are eligible for a Universal free school meal each day. Alternatively if you prefer, they can bring in a packed lunch from home. We ask that parents choose one or the other option, and do not frequently switch between the two. If your child should change from dinners to sandwiches or vice versa please inform the school office giving one week's notice.

## **PE Ready Days**

You will be notified by class teachers what day your child will need to come to school 'PE ready' (dark blue/black/grey jogging bottoms, jumper, shorts and a t-shirt - they will need to go outside in this kit). This does not mean we are not doing PE on the other days, just that we will not get changed. Please can children leave a pair of trainers (Velcro NOT laces) in school along with their wellies - please can they be put in a named drawstring bag and ensure all trainers and wellies are named.

## **Weather**

Children will be learning outdoors whenever the weather is suitable. Please ensure that on hot days your child brings a sun hat and where possible an 'all day' sunscreen is applied before school.



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As the weather is quite unpredictable, please ensure your child also has a suitable warm coat and ensure all personnel items are named.

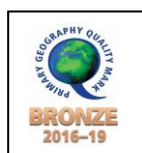
## **Covid information**

We are following the new risk assessment and DFE guidance, which is different from the summer term.

- Please do not send your child into school if they have one of the following symptoms of Covid 19 - a new continuous cough, high temperature, loss taste or smell.  
If your child should develop any of the three main symptoms, they should book a PCR test and inform school of the result.
- In line with the lifting of restrictions by the government, family members or close contacts who have been double vaccinated, no longer need to self-isolate.
- Parents may use any entrance/ exit to access the site.
- Masks will not be requested outside of school, however if needing to come into school/ office please put on a mask due to the confined space.
- We will be continuing with regular handwashing and sanitising in school
- Please ensure your child continues to wear warm clothing as we will be ventilating the school as much as possible with open windows and learning outside lots.
- Additional cleaning in school will continue.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend,

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