

# MELBOURNE INFANT SCHOOL

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



**Weekly Bulletin** - Week ending 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

We say farewell to Mrs Whittingham who will sadly be leaving us today. On behalf of all the staff, governors and children, we would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her hard work, she will be greatly missed by all.

Currently in school we are refurbishing some of our classrooms. If you are disposing of any open backed book cases, shelves or other small pieces of furniture, please ask us first if we can make use of it. Thank you in advance.

We regularly ask parents and careers their views of the school in order to constantly reflect up on our practise. Please submit your views by completing the survey below by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November.

<https://forms.gle/GtKxozdFdLzX8mTX7>

## PTA

The PTA do an amazing job each year at raising funds for the children in school. These last couple of years have been very difficult thinking of imaginative ways to raise funds. The PTA fund all of our electronic subscriptions - Bug Club, Spelling Shed and many more. Without the efforts of the PTA some of these resources would just not be available.

This week we judged the colouring competition, here are our winners!

Zebra - Caleb B

Penguin - Zara T

Koala - Sophia E

Tiger - Emma

Toucan - Sofia L

Squirrel - Ted M

Chipmunk - Isaac TW

Each winner received a prize in this morning's assembly. The PTA raised £293.45 from Break the Rules and £91.00 for the colouring competition. This money will go towards the Bug Club subscription. Thank you for your support.

Amazon Smile is a website operated by Amazon. It features the same products at the same prices as the standard Amazon site. The only difference is, when you shop on Amazon Smile, the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the cost of all eligible products to Melbourne Infant School PTA. Please follow the link below when you are ever shopping on Amazon.

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1044923-0>

## Morrisons

If you shop at Morrisons, you can help us get FREE gardening equipment for our school. You can register and find further information by clicking the link below.

<https://www.morrisons.com/help/its-good-to-grow/good-to-grow/>



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The PTA are always looking for both members and volunteers throughout the year to help to lead fund raising activities.

## Work on site

Over the half term holiday works started to take place in the boiler house next to the hall. When using that entrance please ensure children are kept close to you at all times. The work should be completed by the end of November.

## Reception New Admissions 2022-23

Prospective parents will be able to make an application from 9am on 8 November 2021 for a Reception space in 2022/ 2023. The deadline for applications is 15 January 2022.

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-school-place.aspx>

Prospective Parent's Open Day visits at Melbourne Infant School - Telephone: 01332 862325 to book a place (1 adult, 1 child only)

23/11/2021 at 2.30 pm

9/12/2021 at 2.30 pm

15/12/2021 at 2.30 pm

## Children in Need

We will once again be supporting Children in Need on Friday 19th November. Children can come to school in an outfit of their choice as long as they have suitable footwear and a coat for outdoor play.

A donation on the day will be really appreciated for a very worthy cause.

## Friendship Week 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> November

The theme this year is 'One Kind Word'. During this week the children will participate in a range of activities and assemblies to promote positive friendships. On the 15<sup>th</sup> November, children will be invited to come into school in their odd socks as part of odd socks day to celebrate difference. This term KS1 will also be participating in the NSPCC's **Speak out, Stay safe**. **Online** programme. This consists of an online assembly and supporting classroom based activities. Please see letter attached for further information.

## Remembrance

Poppies will be in school next week. All the children will be given the opportunity to purchase one from their class in return for a donation; to contribute to the welfare of those to whom we all owe so much.

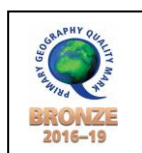
Mrs Gibbs will be representing the school at the Melbourne Remembrance Service by laying a small poppy cross on **Sunday 14th November**.

## Reading corner

This week's reading quote from one of our Year 2's - 'Reading makes me feel happy and excited' Bella.

Please 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.

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