

Weekly Bulletin

March 8th 2024



Years 3 and 5 Mandi Temple Visit!

We had a huge amount of fun celebrating World Book Day! At Meldreth we really enjoy reading, and this was a brilliant way to celebrate our love of great stories. Children took part in book themed activities, and had a great time! It was lovely to see such imagination as the children came to school dressed as their favourite book characters. Thank you for all the effort made – [take a look at our photos from the day](#). Children were sent home with a £1 book token, which can be spent in any bookshop. They left with lots of book recommendations!

As a school that takes our environmental impact seriously, a great opportunity has arisen to be part of a national effort to raise awareness of our plastic footprint. **The Big Plastic Count** is the UK's biggest household plastic waste investigation. **Between 11th - 17th March**, hundreds of schools in the UK are coming together to count their plastic waste. It involves pupils and their household members counting and tallying all the plastic items they throw away during one week. If you wish to participate or want to learn more, a tally/information sheet has gone home with your child/children today.

WHY ARE WE DOING THIS? We believe this is a great opportunity for the school community to work together for a worthwhile cause. It will help our Eco-Council to achieve their goals this year and the ideas behind it closely link to the theme of our year 3/4 play, Plastic Pirates.

Get set for Red Nose Day Next week!

Red Nose Day is back on Friday 15th March. **Plant-based recyclable red noses can be bought from school for £2 via your MCAS account while stock last!** In these particularly challenging times, it has never felt more

important to raise smiles and money for those who are struggling more than ever. However much you can spare, your donation will go to Comic Relief to help people facing poverty in our communities, here in the UK and around the world. Don't forget to tick the Gift Aid option, if you can, so Comic Relief can claim an extra 25% from the government. From us and everyone at Comic Relief, thank you. [Click here to donate](#)



Action packed day of hockey

Our Meldreth Team took part in an action-packed day of hockey as the South Cambs School Sports Partnership in their annual Year 5/6 Quicksticks Hockey competition at the University Sports Ground. On a slightly cold and overcast afternoon 7 excited pupils set out to have a wonderful afternoon of hockey. Nerves and excitement grew on arrival with it being the first time some children had been on a synthetic pitch.

They all brought great determination despite some nerves at the start of the matches. Confidence only grew as the matches went on which meant the belief in their hockey ability grew with it. They played well as a team making great passes that resulted in several goals. They won 2, halved 1 and lost 1 putting them into division 2 out of 5. They then faced some tough opposition but this didn't faze the now confident team, they played some great hockey and showed brilliant team spirit and sportsmanship towards all the teams they played. They really did themselves and the school proud.

Well done **Charlotte K, Millie K, Amelia B, Florence E, Oscar D, William F and Lewis D.**

Your Child's Sleep

The Children's Wellbeing Service are aware that many parents struggle with their child's sleep and have produced four short videos [Part 1](#) - [Part 2](#) - [Part 3](#) - [Part 4 - \(adolescents\)](#) to support you further.

Internet Safety - Videos

YouTube is always a firm favourite; from animals doing funny things, to slime-making and game-tutorials, the internet has lots of fun for children of all ages to enjoy. This can be fun and entertaining for children, but as YouTube is a public and open space where anyone can share content, it does mean your child may see something that might not be suitable. Advice on how to help your child watch safely [here](#).

[YouTube Kids](#) is a safer way for children to explore their interests. Find out more on [YouTube: what parents need to know](#). Remember, primary-age children should be supervised at all times when online.

Spring Disco! Book now on MCAS- Friday 22nd March

Reception, Years 1 & 2 - 4.30pm-5.30pm Years 3-6 - 6pm-7pm £3 per child - Please note the change in times from previous discos! Children will need to bring water in a named bottle. Tuck shop available - suggested spending money £2.



To keep everyone happy and safe at the discos we need at least 10 adults at each session. In addition to the PTA committee who set up and run the discos we rely on other parents to volunteer their time. **CAN YOU HELP?** Sign up here volunteersignup.org/L9MKT

| Upcoming Events | |
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| Monday 11th March | Science Week |
| Thursday 14th March | Diabetes study |
| Friday 15th March | Red Nose Day – noses on sale via MCAS! |
| Friday 22nd March | Osprey Class cake sale PTA Disco 4.30pm-5.30pm & 6pm-7pm |
| Monday 25th March | Sex & Relationship Education Week |
| Wednesday 27th March | Life Bus 2-day visit |
| Thursday 28th March | Last day of term |

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| Olivia W | Vinnie T | Buddy H | Maya E | Theo C | Noah H |
| Luna P | Felicity F | Sebastian C | Tegan L | Skylar B | Rupert G-P |
| Harry R | Evie M | Elijah F | Toby V | Maisie M | Greg K |
| | Esmée B | | Matilda P | | Olly T |

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**Our next volunteer preparation course is starting
15th April - don't miss out!**

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