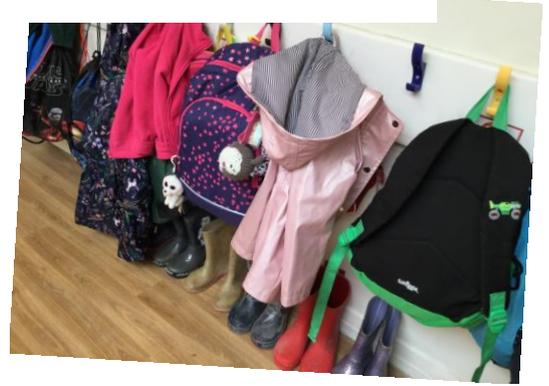


# MELDRETH MESSAGES



## Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen by their teachers to receive a Headteacher award:

**Willem W, Toby C, Simon D Alfie C,  
Imogen G-P, Samuel J**

## Olympic Values Trophy

For respect, excellence and friendship in sport, our trophy winners are...

**Daisy E, Sunday P, Amelia T, Effie B,  
Daniel P, Florence E**

**Having fun on our new adventure  
playground**

Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year! After an enjoyable, very warm summer break, we look forward to an exciting new school year. A particular welcome to all our new children and their families. I have no doubt that everyone will make you feel included and welcomed to our friendly community.

It has been possibly the busiest summer break ever at school and our huge thanks go to Mrs James and Mrs Farrar who have scrubbed, polished, re-organised, painted and made cups of tea for our contractors in order to get the school ready for the start of term.

This term we welcome Miss Jackson to **Swift class**, Miss Whitton to **Kite class** and Miss Hill to **Hawk class**. We are thrilled to be able to share Miss Haigh's good news as she is expecting a baby and will be leaving us at October half term. In the last few days there has been a lot of speculation about whether or not this was the case. Mrs Franks will be returning from her maternity leave and will be joining Mrs Samways in **Puffin class**.

We have had considerable refurbishment to all classes and welcome parents to meet your child's teachers and see their on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at our back-to-school open house**. Please mark your calendars for this event, which will take place from **3:10pm to 4:00 pm**. Pick up helpful information to support at home and learn more about your child's day at school.



7<sup>th</sup> September 2018

## Diary Dates

### September

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> PTA AGM

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> meet the teacher /

Open house

**Monday 24<sup>h</sup> School Closed  
(training)**

### October

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October **Year 2** Hatfield House trip

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 26<sup>h</sup> HALF TERM School closed**

### November

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> **Y6**

Bikeability

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> School photographs

### December

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> **Y4** Bikeability

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Flu vaccinations

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Last day of Term

### 2018-19 Term dates available here

Most of our information is also available on the school website calendar.

## Feeling rested?

The summer holidays provide the ideal time for our PTA members to rest and recharge their batteries and are now gearing themselves up for another great year of bringing our school and our community together.

Have you come up with some unique and interesting ideas to suggest to your PTA during the break? Or are you holding fire until our first meeting of the new term?

Of course while raising money is vitally important for schools, there is so much more that joining our PTA can offer. Every event helps to build strong relationships between your school and the surrounding community, and gets parents and local people engaged with education.

We welcome you to join us at our PTA meetings to plan these events. Please watch the newsletter and the PTA Facebook page for dates and times of upcoming meetings! We would love to have your ideas and support and welcome you to our **annual meeting at 7.30pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September** at school.

## Music in South Cambridgeshire

Have you a young Mozart in the making? [Click here](#) for a list of local music groups and teachers in South Cambridgeshire who can bring out the best in your mini maestro. Our in school music tutors teach ukulele, guitar, drums and piano. Lessons will start next week. Ask at the school office for more details.

## Secondary already?

The application window for our Year 6 pupils to apply for secondary school opens on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Next Wednesday parents of our Year 6 pupils will receive a sealed envelope which includes:

- A letter containing a code unique to the child named in the letter. This is for parents to use when applying online for their child's secondary school place, and will pre-populate certain fields on the online form – name, date of birth, address, school currently attending;
- A quick-start guide to the application process "*Starting Secondary School*";
- A flyer created by Cambridgeshire County Council's Parent Partnership Service, giving details of regional roadshows for parents who have queries regarding the application process.

**You must make an application by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018.** Read the Parent's guide to admissions to secondary school on our website home page.

**This year's Attendance Target is 96%**