## Weekly Bulletin

MELDRETH Primary School

March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024



Puffin and Hawk class Secret Garden exploration

It was lovely to hear stories of so many hard working pupils during our recent parent consultation evenings, and great to see you all in school. Tremendous thanks to all parents who filled in our parent survey this term; we very much appreciate the time that you spent completing it and value all your views and feedback. We are very pleased with the high level of confidence you feel in all aspects of the school. The top three results are:

My child is happy at this school 96%

My child does well at this school 98%

My child feels safe at this school 98%

After Easter, we say a **HUGE thank you to Mrs Lee and Mrs Pedge** who are stepping down from their roles as Senior Midday Supervisors. Our Midday staff enable the day to be punctuated by play and by refreshment. They are the eyes and ears of the playground, and their hands can be a safe space for those who find the playground overwhelming. They frequently spot safeguarding concerns, as our children eat and play. They notice who is hungry, whose lunches are missing, who is lonely, angry or withdrawn and who might be isolating themselves.

We welcome Mrs Hardwick and Mrs Taylor who will take on new Midday Supervisor roles.

This is the last newsletter for the Spring Term. I hope that during the Easter break you will be able to spend time as a family, sharing new experiences. We look forward to hearing about your adventures and experiences when we return to school on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**.

## **Netball News**

Children's reports...

On Monday, Esmée, Hannah, Isla H-P, Isla B, Poppy, William, Arthur S and Amelie attended a netball tournament playing four matches and winning three. Goal scorers were Esmée (8) Hannah (2), Isla H-P (2), Isla B (2).

**Gregory, Florence, Amelia L, Matilda, Emily, Hashem, Millie and Amelia B** and went to MVV to take part in a netball competition against Trumpington playing three matches and winning two. It was fun, and we all were not expecting to be picked for the tournament.

"I really enjoyed it. I can't believe we got those amazing scores!" **Gregory** 

"I really liked how well we all played together. I played GD and GS" Amelia L

## Summer Uniform

A huge thank you to parents and pupils for the standard of school uniform this term. If you are thinking of upsizing to your <u>next school uniform</u> before the summer holidays or dressing in cooler summer uniform please bear in mind our guidance:

- white or dark green polo shirt, or white blouse
- dark grey trousers, skirts or shorts (no leggings please)
- green and white check or striped summer dress
- flat, dark shoes or sandals with a good grip and proper support (no flip-flops or crocs please)
- Jewellery and nail polish are not permitted in school. The exception to this rule are small earring studs or a watch in KS2.

## Each eligible pupil will receive a £30 voucher over Easter

Families who are currently paying for school meals will save around £450 a year for each primary school child if they are <u>entitled to free school meals</u>.

- It is impossible for other pupils to know who is receiving free school meals.
- Children who are eligible for free school meals are entitled to a two-course meal worth £3.05.
- When you apply for free school meals, school will receive Pupil Premium - extra money to support children
- If your child is in receipt of <u>universal infant free school meals</u> (where your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2), please apply if you think you may be eligible for free school meals.

CHECK NOW.... £££££ is your child eligible for Additional School Funding? - speedy checking tool



Upcoming Events	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Sex & Relationship Education Week
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Life Bus 2-day visit
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5/6 Educational Visit & last day of term
EASTER HOLIDAY Friday 29th March – Sunday 14th April	
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Puffin class vision screening
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Y4 Grafham Visit Meeting @ 3pm





- measles outbreaks happen when not enough children have been vaccinated
- measles can be a very serious disease, leading to ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, and damage to the brain.
  Measles can kill
- your child is at risk of measles if he or she hasn't had the MMR vaccination
- 2 doses of MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection
- if your child is due to have had 2 doses of MMR but has not yet received them, no matter what age they are, you should contact your GP to get them vaccinated as soon as possible\*
- if you can't remember if your child has had any, 1 or 2 doses of MMR vaccine, check his or her personal child health record (the Red Book). If this doesn't help, speak to your GP
- if you don't know how many doses your child has had, it's better to have 2 doses of MMR vaccine now rather than risk leaving them unprotected

<sup>\*</sup>In response to a local outbreak then the 2 doses can be given one month apart from the age of 18 months.