MELTHAM MOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th March 2024

World Book Day

Yesterday was World Book Day and we celebrated it true Meltham Moor style! It was fabulous to see so many children and staff dressed up as their favourite book characters. There were lots of reading activities taking place during the day and even Mr Lord, CEO of the Together Learning Trust, read a story which was streamed to the trust primary schools.



Strictly Pennine

Last Thursday evening our dance group took part in the annual Strictly Pennine dance show at the Lawrence Batley Theatre. The children were so excited to show off their hard work and they did not disappoint - they were amazing! It was a magnificent performance and we were all so very proud of them. Huge thanks to all the family and friends who came to support and to Sophie from Bodyrockerz for her hard work and dedication with the group.





In the afternoon we invited parents, carers and grandparents to come into school to join the children in their classes to enjoy reading together. It was lovely to see so many adults in school sharing the joy of reading with the children. Thank you to everyone who took the time to attend. It really does mean a lot to the children.

Book Fair

Thank you so much to everyone who visited our Book Fair which has been running all this week. We sold an amazing amount of books, which means we will have made a lot of commission to spend on books for school! The amount raised will be communicated in due course.





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Boccia Festival

Last Thursday a small group of our Year 2 children took part in a Boccia festival which took place at Ryburn Valley High School, which is one of our Trust schools. Children from all the primaries and secondaries took part, the secondary students organising and leading the game. Our children behaved impeccably and had a great time. It was a good opportunity to make new friends and to top it all off we came back with the winner's cup!

Hockey Competition

Last night a group of our Year 6's played in a Pennine Sports Partnership Hockey competition at Storthes Hall, along with 13 other schools. Our team played 5 games and won 3! Mr Jacobs accompanied the team and said that they all played with great enthusiasm and team spirit.



Communication

We pride ourselves on having excellent communication with parents/carers at Meltham Moor and we have a number of ways of doing this. Our main method is using the 'Class Dojo' communication facility. Parents can also email, although we prefer that these go through the school office email address:

<u>office@melthammoor.tlt.school</u>. Staff are advised not to respond to 'Dojo' messages or emails outside of working hours, including weekends. It is recommended that teachers activate the 'quiet time' facility so they do not receive notifications during this time, which could infringe on work-life balance and staff wellbeing. We aim to respond to Dojo messages within 3 working days (72 hours) therefore, if something is urgent, please make contact through the school office. If it is felt that communication with individual parents/carers is affecting productivity at work, then staff should contact parents/carers by telephone. Any communication which may prove to be contentious or upsetting should always be communicated in person, or if not possible, over the phone.

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Nursery Places

If you have a younger sibling, friend, neighbour or relative who would like a place at our nursery please complete the application form - see link below (it only takes two minutes). It is never too early to apply- if children have been on our waiting list we can sometimes take them from when they turn 3.

https://www.melthammoor.org/apply-nursery



PTA Disco

Last night was our PTA school disco, which is always an event the children look forward to. They all had a fabulous time! Thank you to all the parents who came along to support the children.

Comic Relief

Red Nose Day is next Friday 15th March, so children are invited to dress up 'funny for money' for a suggested donation of £1.00. Thank you!

World Down Syndrome Day

Thursday 21st March is World Down Syndrome Day and we would like to invite everyone to wear groovy socks in support of the 'Lots of Socks' awareness raising campaign. Here is a link for more information:-

https://www.worlddownsyndromeday.org/lotsof-socks **FF**Ŀ

National School Attendance Award

2023/24 Autumn Term



Meltham Moor Primary

Top 10% of similar FFT Primary Schools in England

We are proud to say that we have once again been given a National School Attendance Award for the Autumn Term! This puts us in the top 10% of similar FFT primary schools in England!!

Parents' Evening

Just a reminder that time slots are being sent home with your child today for Parents' Evening on Thursday 14th March. Don't forget to check your child's bookbag!

Our PTA will be providing refreshments throughout the evening and also selling second hand uniform. If anyone would like to offer their time to help, it would be much appreciated. Just contact the PTA on

<u>PTA@melthammoor.tlt.school</u>. Thank you!

Diary Dates

Thurs 14th March - Parents' Evening

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Fri 15th March - Red Nose Day Tues 19th March - Year 4 trip to Meltham Baptist Church

Thurs 21st March - Year 2 & 6 trip to Helme Church

Thurs 21st March - World Down Syndrome Day

Fri 22nd March - Break up for Easter!

APRIL Mon 8th April - back to school Tues 9th April - Lambing Live - Yr 2 & 5 ((split)

Wed 10th April - Lambing Live - Yr2 & 5 (split)