

Melling St Wilfrid CE Primary School



For the love of learning, friendship and faith

January 2024

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to our Junior children travelling to Manchester to take part in Young Voices 2024, please see the details below. I hope you are able to join us in school on Friday 9th February at 2.30pm for our Family Worship.

Yours truly,

Fiona Ip

Headteacher

Young Voices 2024 - Tuesday 6th February

The children are in the swing of learning the songs for Young Voices and you can join in the fun too by listening and practising the songs at home.

The concert date is nearly upon us, please see the information below for details of the day:

Children will need a packed lunch and a packed tea with plenty of drinks and snacks.

Please make sure the school has up-to-date contact and medical information and let school know of any medication needed on the day.

The children will need to wear school uniform with either a Young Voices T-shirt (if ordered) or a Plain White T-shirt with a School jumper or Cardigan.

Children will travel to the Arena from school and return back to school via coach.

- Arrive at school: 8:20-8:30am
- Depart from school: approx 11am
- Arrive at Manchester Arena: 12:45pm
- Lunch at Arena: 1pm
- Rehearsals start: 2pm
- Tea: 5pm
- Venue open for parents/ audience: 6pm
- Concert Starts: 7pm
- Concert Ends: 8:45pm
- Coach departs: 9 - 9:30pm
- Arrive back at Melling School - parents collect from school: 10:15 - 10:30 pm

We will keep parents up-to-date with return times after the event.

To find out more information about how to get to the arena, visit the website below:

<https://www.ao-arena.com/plan-your-visit/how-to-find-us>

We know the children may be tired the next day so they have the option of coming into school at 10:30 am on Wednesday 7th February.

If you have ordered a Young Voices T-Shirt or tickets, these are ready to collect from the office

Children's Mental Health Week

Children's Mental Health Week will take place from 5-11 February 2024. The theme this year is 'My Voice Matters'. My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. We will be joined by Rachel Naylor from Flow Holistics for a special assembly and workshops.

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Family Worship - Friday 9th February

Families and friends are warmly invited to join us in school at 2.30pm on Friday 9th February for our family worship. We look forward to seeing you there.

PE Reminder

PE Kit - Children should wear PE kit (with school shoes) on the following days please:

Infants

Monday - PE lesson

Thursday - RugbyTots

Juniors

Monday - PE Lesson

School Spider App

Please ensure you have downloaded the 'School Spider' app so you can make bookings/payments, complete surveys & permissions and receive messages from school. We use School Spider most days so it is important that you are able to access your parent account. Please contact the school office if you need any help logging in.

School Uniform Reminder

We ask the children to keep a pair of wellington boots in school please. All children need a pair of trainers for PE and outside play.

Long hair must be tied back at all times. We allow the children to wear plain stud earrings, but ask that the children do not wear earrings on the days of PE or swimming lessons.

All items of clothing must be named please.

School Uniform is supplied by the Uniform & Leisurewear company at Lancaster.

Dinner Money

Please check your parent account on School Spider for invoices due for payment. Thank you

Absence Reporting & Attendance

****Absences can now be reported via School Spider****

If your child is going to be absent from school please leave a phone message or email bursar@melling.lancs.sch.uk before 9am on the day of each absence. Absences can also be reported via School Spider. If a phone call/email is not received we will need to call you during the morning to find out where they are as part of our safeguarding responsibility. Please see our updated attendance policy on the school website.

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 6th February - Young Voices @ Manchester

Friday 9th February 2.30pm - Family Worship

Monday 4th March 1.15-4pm - Parents Afternoon

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day (dress as a character from a book)