

# Melling St Wilfrid CE Primary School



For the love of learning, friendship and faith

March 2024

Dear Parents,

There has been lots going on at school this week with the development of our outdoor play area, the children are very excited and can't wait for it to be finished! Our Infant class had a fantastic day at South Lakes Safari Zoo on Wednesday, they learnt all about animal habitats and had great fun meeting lots of animals. We are very proud of their behaviour on the trip, well done Infants! Families are warmly invited to join the Mothering Sunday Service in a couple of weeks time on 10th March, 9:30AM at St Wilfrid's Church.

There is lots going over the next few weeks so please keep an eye on your emails and messages from School Spider, we don't want anyone to miss anything.

Yours truly,

Fiona Ip

Headteacher

## Parents Afternoon Monday 4th March

We are looking forward to sharing your children's learning with you at our parents afternoon on Monday 4th March. If you have requested a telephone appointment we will be in touch next week to arrange it. All appointments will be 5 minutes long but if more time is needed, a follow up can be arranged.

## Open Door Policy

We would like to take this opportunity to remind all our parents that we operate an 'Open Door' policy. The purpose of this is to encourage open communication, feedback and discussion. We value the input parents make to our school. If you have any worries or concerns about your child's progress, wellbeing or the school please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. Teachers can be contacted via the following email addresses:

[a.howker@melling.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:a.howker@melling.lancs.sch.uk)

[l.parker@melling.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:l.parker@melling.lancs.sch.uk)

[d.martin@melling.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:d.martin@melling.lancs.sch.uk)

[diane.smith@melling.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:diane.smith@melling.lancs.sch.uk)

For other matters please contact Mrs Ip, Headteacher via

[head@melling.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@melling.lancs.sch.uk) or Rebecca via [bursar@melling.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@melling.lancs.sch.uk)

Please allow time for staff to respond to emails, which will routinely be in working hours only (8.45am - 4.30pm, Monday to Friday).

Alternatively, contact the school by telephone on 015242 21538.

## World Book Day

It's that time again! Thursday 7th March is World Book Day, we invite all children to dress up as a book character for the day! The children will be writing about the character they have chosen. Costumes don't have to be expensive or complicated - there are so many characters to choose from, we look forward to seeing how creative the children can be!

## KS2 Football Tournament

We will be taking part in the Lune Valley Football tournament at Arkholme on Tuesday 12th March. Further details & team information will be sent via School Spider.

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## **Lent Day @ Leck**

Children in Year 2 will be visiting our friends at Leck Primary School on Tuesday 19th March to take part in a Lent activity Day. Further details to follow.

## **KS2 Acro Gymnastics Competition**

Training for the Lune Valley Acro Gymnastics competition is well underway, with sessions continuing after school on Tuesdays this half term.

## **Friday 26th April 3.15pm - Isle of Man Parents Information Meeting**

Parents & children taking part in the IOM residential trip are invited to join Mrs Ip & Mrs Martin at 3.15pm on Friday 26th April for an information meeting. This will be an opportunity to hear more about the trip and ask any questions you or your children may have. Please could we also remind parents that the full payment for the trip is due by the 31st of March. Thank you

## **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**

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**\*\*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](mailto: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

Monday 4th March 1.15-4pm - Parents Afternoon

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

Tuesday 12th March - KS2 Football Tournament @ Arkholme

Thursday 14th March - School Photographs

Tuesday 19th March - KS1 Lent Day @ Leck

Wednesday 27th March - KS2 Acro Gymnastics competition

Mothering  
Sunday

SUNDAY 10TH  
MARCH, 9:30 AM

ST WILFRID'S CHURCH  
MELLING