

## INSPIRING LEARNING

### PROMOTING READING

As part of our drive to promote reading, we have recently been visited by two authors. James Campbell and Grant Koper read examples of their work and talked to the children about how they became authors.



James was reading his funny stories and showing his new book the Funny Life of Teachers.



Grant read his latest book, The Day Grandma's Knickers Blew Away.



All classes have been organising Reading Cafes when parents are invited into school to read with their child and learn a little more about how they can support their child with reading at home.

We are actively recruiting volunteer reading buddies who can share books with the children on a regular basis. I have recently met with two local people who would like to volunteer some of their time. If you know of anyone else who can make a regular commitment, I would be delighted to hear from them.

### WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

Next week is national 'Walk to School Week'. We will be encouraging the children to walk all, or some, of the way to school each day. The children will complete a chart in class to record when they have walked. Mrs Smith has also organised a range of activities in school to promote the week. Further details will be shared on the class Seesaw pages.

### LOCAL LEARNING



Puffins Class enjoyed a visit by a Thurlow Nunn tractor on 8th May. The tractor was only six months old and was called Fred! The children enjoyed asking questions and this linked well to our topic of Transport and Travel.

### MOST SUCCESSFUL

The Melton Online Safety Team (MOST) recently ran a competition to design online safety posters which will be displayed around school.



Congratulations to our winners.

### KEEP ON RUNNING

Our runners enjoyed more success at the Ipswich Schools' cross-country event held at The Royal Hospital School in April. Phoebe Duffin came 4th in the Year 5 girls' race while Archie Shaw (Y6), Darcey Bloss (Y4) and Sophie Shaw (Y3) all finished in the top twelve.



With over a hundred competitors in each race, these were impressive performances.

Well done to all our runners.

## PARENT INVOLVEMENT

### FRIENDS OF MELTON SCHOOL (FOMS)

The FoMS organised Summer Fair will be held on **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June**. Full details will be forwarded soon.

FOMS will also be organising activities for the Melton Fete on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June**.

### MEET THE GOVERNORS EVENING

A huge 'thank you' to the parents who joined us on Tuesday night for cheese and wine. The event was an opportunity for members of the Governing Body to introduce themselves and talk a little bit about their role in school leadership. It was a chance for them to obtain parent views about school and how parents would like to see the school moving forward. It is hoped similar events will be organised again in the future.

## EVENTS & SCHOOL NEWS

### NEW TO MELTON

We are pleased to inform you that we have appointed two new teachers to join the Melton team from September. Miss Hannah Grant will replace Miss Clapson in Robins and Miss Vicky Lumsden will be joining the Key Stage 2 team.

Miss Grant is an experienced Early Years teacher. Having started her career in Essex, she is currently working in Cumbria.

Miss Lumsden will be a newly qualified teacher. Originally from the local area, she is completing her teacher training in Sheffield. I am sure you will make them both feel very welcome when they join us.

### NEW LUNCHES

We are delighted in school with the impact of our new school meals;

- Improved quality food
- Better behaviour
- Reduced food waste (approximately half)
- Reduced injuries at lunchtimes.

We have a review meeting with Edwards and Blake next Wednesday when we will be discussing feedback from staff, the children and parents. If you have any feedback you would like to share but haven't yet passed on to school, please email me before next Wednesday.

### BINGO NIGHT

Mrs Thornton has organised her second fundraising evening on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June starting at 7pm. Entry will be £2 and people are asked to bring their own refreshments. This will be a relaxed and fun evening for all.

### LEGO PROMOTION TOKENS

The East Anglian Daily Times and Ipswich Star promotion has now finished but tokens can still be donated. Please send any tokens you have collected into school next week. Thank you to everyone who has supported this campaign, the resources will enhance our Lego Therapy work in school.

### LOST PROPERTY

Every term we generate lots of lost property. Every day next week we will be displaying the latest 'collection' outside school. Please check if anything belonging to your child is included.

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

There will be no After School Provision on the last day of term (Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July).

Contact me at any time if you have something you would like to discuss. I am outside most days or can be contacted via email: [head@melton.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:head@melton.suffolk.sch.uk)



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### IMPORTANT DATES

#### May

Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	Walk to school week
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	School closes for half-term

#### June

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	School re-opens
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>	School visit to Woodbridge Library
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	Arts Day
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	Bingo Night (7pm)
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	Summer Fair (3.30pm)
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	Happiness Festival
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup>	Melton Fete

#### July

Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	Class Transition Morning
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sports Day (afternoon only)
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Production (7pm)
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Production (7pm)
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (10am)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	School closes for summer