

Weekly Bulletin

April 23rd 2021



National Skipping Week in action!

Happy National skipping Day, Shakespeare's Birthday and St. George's Day! A huge thank-you to our staff and pupils, especially those in Kestrel class for their help in our interview process for our new Assistant Headteacher. We are pleased to have appointed Mr. Daniel Chapman who will be joining us as our Year 5 class teacher and Assistant Headteacher next year.

A message from Mr Chapman - "I have the privilege today of introducing myself as the new Assistant Headteacher of this wonderful school. I am honoured to be joining such a tight-knit community of talented, dedicated staff and supportive parents and carers. During my time here, I wish to make a lasting positive impact and help to further enrich the lives and education of all of our students.

I have previously worked in a school in London and most recently in Hertfordshire where I was the English Lead and also responsible for the management of Upper Key Stage 2 colleagues and support staff. I am hugely passionate about all areas of the curriculum but I specialise in the subject of 'oracy' – the explicit teaching of speaking and listening skills. My previous students have enjoyed much success in this field: winning countywide debating and Dragons' Den style competitions and I hope to continue to expand on this with the talented pupils of Meldreth Primary.

I strongly believe in providing our students with a well-rounded, hands-on education and providing as many chances for engaging, creative learning as possible. I prioritise the well-being and happiness of the whole school community and will work tirelessly and enthusiastically to ensure that our school continues to be a centre of outstanding practice and a much-loved hub of the village. I wish to personally thank you for welcoming me into your community and I look forward to the challenges and experiences that lie ahead."

Your Child's learning this term

[Class pages](#) now outline the learning planned for your child for this half term, please do take some time to read this and share this at home. The majority of extra-curricular clubs will begin next week; these will take place outdoors within existing group bubbles. Please see the clubs list below. If your child would like to join a club this term, **bookings can be made via your MCAS app – clubs**. Bookings go live after school today.

As the COVID situation changes, we do hope to add to our clubs list and will keep you informed.

Day	Years	Club	Timing	Run by
Monday	Years 3 and 4	Outdoor Art Club	3.10pm – 4.15pm	Miss McGinty and Miss Whitton
Tuesday	Year 5 and 6	Outdoor Art Club	lunchtime	Miss Hill
	Year 1 and 2	Gardening Club	3.10pm to 4pm	Miss Cole and Mrs Howard
Wednesday	Years 5 and 6	Running Club	8am – school start	Mrs Taylor
	Years 1 and 2	Running Club	lunchtime	Miss McStea
Thursday	Puffin Class	Multi-Sports Club	3pm – 4pm	Mrs Samways and Miss H Jackson
	Years 5 and 6	Book Club	lunchtime	Miss Hill
Friday	Year 5 and 6	Football/Cricket Club	3.20- 4.15pm	Mr Jones and Miss C Jackson

The Big Ask

The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched [The Big Ask](#). It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the Covid-19 outbreak. I would strongly encourage you to engage with this and ask [your child to give their views](#) and [parents and carers](#) to comment on the future for their children and young people.



From the Team at Meldreth Primary School – we wish you well!