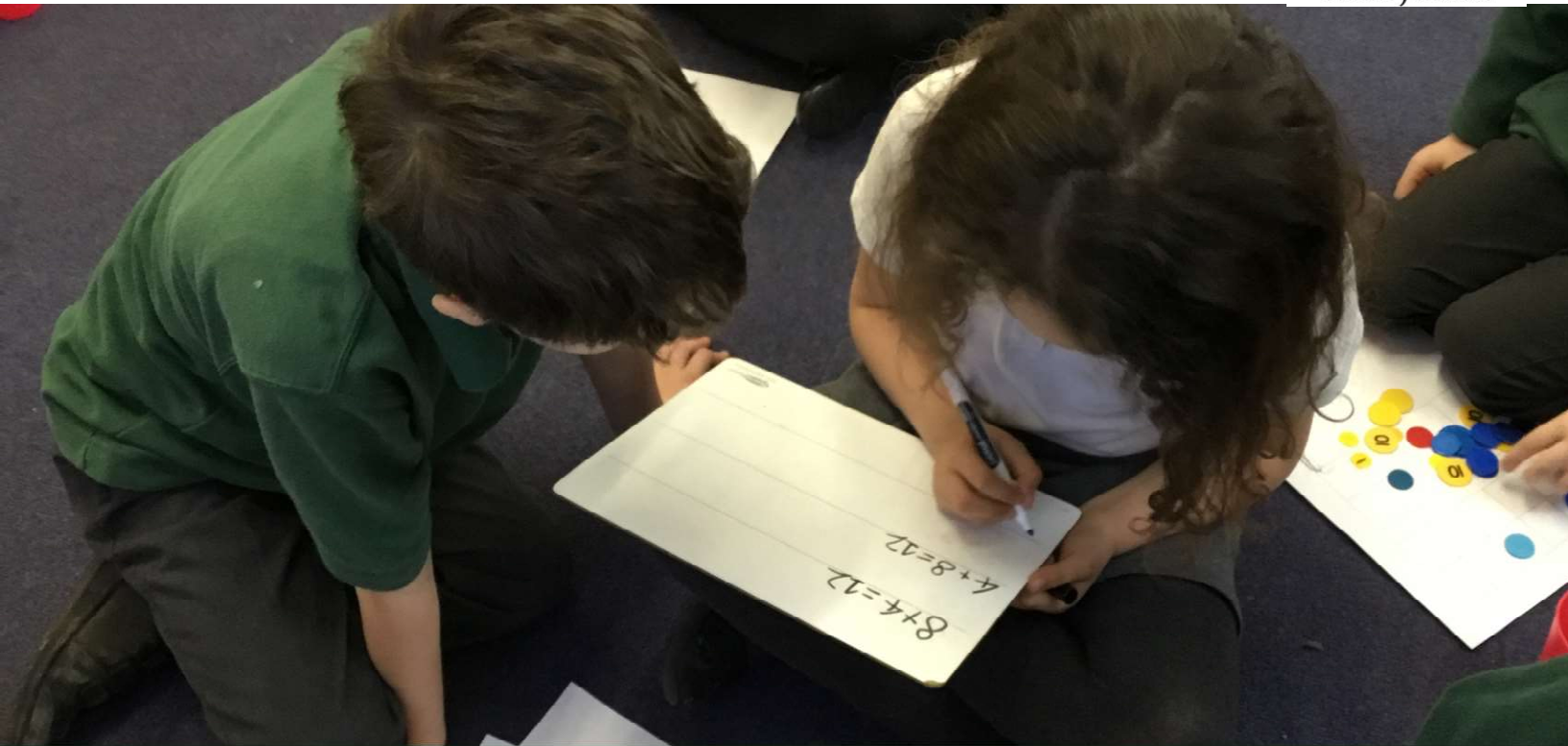


# Weekly Bulletin

January 24<sup>th</sup> 2020



At Meldreth Primary School, we know that reading is much more than decoding of print on a page. We encourage all our young readers to engage with different kinds of texts to broaden their knowledge and their understanding and meaning of a text. **Next Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> January**, we invite all children and parents back to school at 6pm to join in our **big bedtime story event**. Children will share stories with friends and teachers, bring a soft toy, wear pyjamas/dressing gown and/or bring a pillow. [Click here](#) to find out who is reading which stories!

Reading activities and support for parents is planned too from 6- 6.30pm. We hope you can come and join us. **What is Magic Spell? How do we teach children to calculate? What are the best books to buy for my child?** Come and find out about how we teach spelling at school!

All our staff wish to thank all the parents who help with our extra-curricular events, trips and activities. Without you, these activities simply would not happen. Your tireless effort and enthusiasm for the school activities do not go unnoticed. If you think you'd be available to help with trips, events, activities or even please **come and join in the fun!**

## Year 6 SATs Parent Meetings

This year we are holding meeting on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm and 6pm**. These meetings will look at routines for SATs week and share examples of the exam style questions, which the children will be assessed against. We aim to give parents an idea of the expectations of SATs and some helpful tips about how to support your child at home. We look forward to seeing you all there.



## The Daily Mile™

We have not only adopted The Daily Mile for the obvious health and fitness benefits for our pupils, but also to support attention during our lessons and reduce the stress-related chemicals in our children's brains. Our pupils listen attentively, practise diligently and write a lot in their lessons; this additional daily 15mins of physical activity means that they are more capable of sustaining their hard work every day.

This week, we are delighted to have been presented with a 'Daily Mile' fence banner in recognition of our good practice in the delivery of The Daily Mile™. This recognizes our commitment to developing all aspects of children's learning and wellbeing. **Thanks to Miss Jackson for her support promoting this.**

## Football News!

Mighty congratulations to our Y6 five-a-side team who won all of their matches to emerge champions of this year's indoor five-a-side championship at Melbourn Village College. Sublime skills were very much on display throughout the afternoon, and in a mixture of hard and less fought matches, our team even managed to put nine goals past one of our opponents in a seven minute match! Shout outs for our champions: **Finley, Max, Annabel, Ollie, Alfie, Oscar, Lukas**

## Free School Meals

**Free school meals are available for all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.**

This initiative from the DfE has the purpose of aiding child development, supporting academic performance and improving levels of healthy eating.

### Do I need to apply for this?

You will not need to submit an application because all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will automatically be entitled to the free school meal. The meal will still need to be ordered from the school. However, **if you are on a low income, we highly recommend that you do still make a free school meals application** as it will allow the school to unlock **additional funding for your child**, which will go towards supporting their development.

Every child who applies for free school meals (because they are from a family on a lower income) can **unlock up to £1,320 extra funding for their school** called Pupil Premium, which must be spent on supporting their development. So, even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and will automatically get a free meal, **[please do still make an application](#)**. Otherwise, we will not know that your child is eligible for additional funding.

To find out more, please visit our School Meals website page.

## Families First

**Family First** is the **UK's largest family magazine** designed to help encourage families to turn-off their TV, iPads & computer consoles and start being much more active. [Here is your free e-copy of Family First – Enjoy!](#)

## Certificate Winners

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**Headteacher Award winners...**Oscar N, Keira F, Sienna Z, Florence F, Ava L, Emily R, McKenzie B, Tegan L

**Olympic Values Trophy winners...** Sienna B, Lucia MR, Bailey J, Javier C, Olly T, Curtis F, Felix G

**Star Writers....** Tom W, Elliot F, Maya S, Sebastian P, Lewis D, Ella H, Joni M

**Attendance this week is 96.34 %**



**this year it is 95.7%**



## Next Week at School

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Wednesday 29th January – **Bedtime story event**

## Coming soon

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Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February **Year 4 Bikeability**

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February **PTA Discos**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – **Kite Class Valentine's Day themed cake sale**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February –**Valentine's Day non-uniform day for Home Start**

Weds 4<sup>th</sup> March - **Year 6 SATs information 2pm and 6pm**