

Melbourne Infant Weekly News



Friday 5 April 2019

We had a visit from Simon Murray, an author & illustrator this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed his workshop and were so inspired by his work that they have produced some amazing drawings and learnt some valuable skills along the way! Thank you to the PTA for funding the workshop. Simon has been kind enough to donate some of his books to our school library and would like to thank all parents who supported him by ordering a book. The books should arrive on Tuesday - any late orders please contact Simon directly at simonmurray50@hotmail.com. If your child would like to upload a piece of their work to his website please see the following link - <https://www.ickydoodah.com/>. It is that time of year where we are requesting parent's views about the school. Please could you complete the online questionnaire with the deadline extended to Wednesday 10 April. The link is as follows: <http://tiny.cc/tctk4y> your feedback is greatly appreciated. **Club letters will be emailed out next Thursday for you to register your child for the new term.**

Remember school closes next Thursday - Friday is INSET Day (staff only).

Mrs Gibbs

Safety of Children

Please remember that scooters and bikes are not to be ridden on the school grounds. This includes school age children as well as younger siblings. It is to safeguard your children, so please ensure you are asking them to dismount at the gates and walk down the driveway/path to and from school.

When dropping off children late at the main entrance please ensure a member of staff is available to sign your child in and direct them to class. Thank you

Plea!

If you are having a spring clean and throwing away/recycling any old pots/pans/ baking trays/ utensils etc, our EYFS staff would really appreciate them coming into school to use in the outdoor areas. Any easels being recycled would be most welcome.

PTA News

Thank you to everyone who came to the PTA meeting this week and for all your support with the Mother's Day shop which raised £231.39.

Fantastic news, our grant application to provide Protective Behaviours Training for all teaching staff was successful and we have been granted £3260.40 by the Foundation Derbyshire. To learn what this will mean to the children please go to

<https://www.protectivebehaviours.org/what-does-protective-behaviours-mean>

7 May 7.30pm PTA Meeting. Venue TBC

17 May 3pm - 4.30pm Whole school disco and non uniform day.

7 June PTA Picnic - after school. More information to follow soon.

11/ 12/ 13 June Father's Day Shop. Help needed from 2.30pm each day please.

April Dates

- 10 9.15 am Easter Bonnet Assembly - Open Classroom event afterwards.
- 11 School Closes for the Easter Holiday
- 12 INSET - Staff only
- 29 School re-opens for children and staff

May Dates

- 1 Mental Health and Well Being day
- 1 PACES afternoon (Parents and Children Exercising Simultaneously - all parents/ carers and younger siblings invited)
- 6 May Bank Holiday - school closed
- 7 - 22 Year 2 assessments
- 8 4pm - 5.30pm All Stars Cricket Festival (letters to follow)
- 9 Class Photoarabhs

Whole School Attendance

96.70%

Target 97%

Well done to Tiger Class for achieving the highest attendance this week!

Safeguarding

If you have a concern regarding child protection or safeguarding please contact:

Child Protection Officer -

Mrs C Gibbs

Deputy Child Protection Officer - Mrs V Howell

If you have any safeguarding concerns please call the following numbers -

Starting Point: 01629 533190

NSPCC Helpline:08088005000

Reading Corner

Over Easter we were are inviting children to participate in an EXTREME READING COMPETITION. Take a photograph of an unusual but safe place to read. These will be displayed in school and will be judged with the chance to win vouchers for the Kandy Factory in Burton. Closing date Tuesday 7 May.

Easter Bonnet

This year we are asking the children to be creative at home and make their own individual Easter Bonnet to wear. Please come to school wearing it on Wednesday 10 April. **Lost property** will be displayed and then disposed of after this event. Parents also have the opportunity to visit their child's class after the assembly so the children can showcase the work they have been completing this term.

Red Learning Team Zebra Penguin

No notices this week

Green Learning Team Tiger Koala

No notices this week

Blue Learning Team

Squirrel, Chipmunk & Toucan

Church visit Tuesday 9 April am - help is required, please speak to your child's class teacher.

For further information please see our school website

<https://www.melbourne-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk/>