



Care Imagine Believe Strive Achieve

A message from Mrs Foxton



Good afternoon and welcome to this week's very festive edition of the newsletter!

The children, and staff have had a wonderful week this week where they have truly entered the Christmas spirit. All classes have enjoyed their bubble based Christmas parties where they

sang, danced and had lots of fun. I would like to extend my thanks to our wonderful teaching team for 'making this happen'. There has been a hive of activity in finalising the nativity performance this week – we look forward to sharing the access arrangement just as soon as we can. You won't be disappointed!

Just when we thought the week couldn't get any more exciting it did – Father Christmas paid us a visit! The children thoroughly enjoy their social distanced meeting – just magical! Derwent Lions couldn't accept donations on the day due to Covid restrictions but if you would like to show your support please go to the Just giving link on their website <https://derwent.lionsclub.co/>

And finally, I would like to congratulate our amazing children on their hard work and commitment in completing the Santa Dash! The aim of the challenge was the run the distance from Melbourne to Lapland – 145 miles. They didn't disappoint and managed 2115 laps or 264 miles in total – well done everyone!

Head over to our Twitter account **@melbourne_cps** to see some of the wonderful things your child as been getting up to this week.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Last Post for Class Christmas cards	14th December
Pantomime (online stream)	17th December
Christmas Lunch	18th December
End of Autumn Term	18th December
Back to School	5th January 2021

Covid

As we go into the Christmas holidays, schools have been asked to nominate an 'on-call' member of staff who can undertake 'track and trace' in the event of a positive test for a pupil. If your child **develops symptoms and tests positive for Covid**, between **the dates of the 18th December and the 25th December**, please send an email confirming this to kfoxton@mcps.org.uk. This will allow us to undertake the actions needed with Public Health England. If, your child receives a positive test, on or after the 25th December, please do inform admin@mcps.org.uk as it may affect return to school, but following advice, the school does not need to undertake 'track and trace' as term ended before the infectious period. Thank you for your understanding.

Award Winners

This weeks award winners are:

Worker of the Week:

Cygnets & Swans— Caelen
Mallard— Hannah
Otter— Mason
Dragonfly— Bissie
Heron— Leo
Kingfisher— Harry



Our Value awards winners:

Care— Tilly
Creativity—Bonnie
Belief— Alfie C
Effort— Henry H
Achievement— Mallard Class

Congratulations to all our weekly award winners—a fantastic effort from everyone!



We have jumped up to a 97.8% attendance rate! A good trend!

Over the last week we have to congratulate Mallard Class for achieving an overall attendance rate of 99.5%!



Friends of School

A HUGE thank you for all the support this term with our fundraising efforts.

Here is a rough breakdown of what we have raised so far :

Some costs still need to come out of this.

Monthly Prize Draw raised: £610

Smarties 20p Tubes raised: £508

Advent Raffle Raised: £2209

Baubles Raised: £620

Easy fund raiser App: £183.16

That's a rough total of £4130.16. This is an incredible amount and will benefit the children and the school no end.

Over the summer FOS purchased new storage items for the Early Years area and did a tidy up and painted this area.

We have also purchased the following items: New Starter School bags, Christmas Crackers for the Christmas Lunch day, Selection boxes/Allergy alternative, Pantomime for School, Sweets to enjoy whilst watching the Pantomime.

We have also started working towards the Forest school project, so keep your eyes peeled for updates on this.

We really appreciate the support of these new Covid safe initiatives for fund raising, we could not have achieved this without your support.

This is a reminder that if you have placed an order for Christmas Baubles, the payment is now due. Please take cash or Cheques to School reception. Or BACS Payment details are:

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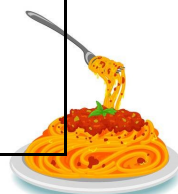
Please contact FOS if you are unsure.

Menu A - week commencing 14th December—

please note menu changes in italics



MONDAY:	Pizza Chips Baked Beans/Sweetcorn	Iced Sponge & Custard Fresh fruit Yoghurt
TUESDAY:	Spaghetti Bolognese Sweetcorn/Mixed Veg Bread	Arctic Roll & Fruit Fresh fruit Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY:	Sausages Gravy Yorkshire Pudding <i>Mashed Potatoes</i> Carrots/Broccoli	Oaty Biscuits Fresh fruit Yoghurt
THURSDAY:	<i>Chicken Korma</i> <i>Rice</i> <i>Sweetcorn/Peas</i> <i>Naan Bread</i>	Mousse & Fruit Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
FRIDAY:	<i>Roast Turkey</i> <i>Pigs in Blankets</i> <i>Roast Potatoes</i> <i>Carrots/Peas</i> <i>Stuffing</i> <i>Gravy</i>	<i>Christmas Biscuit</i> <i>Fresh Fruit</i> <i>Yoghurt</i>



MELBOURNE CHRISTMAS ADVENT WINDOW TRAIL – 2020

You will find the list below for where the Melbourne Advent Windows are. The individual windows will be revealed on their designated date and then stay open from 3.30pm to 9pm until the 31st of Dec.



All children on the Trail must be supervised by a responsible adult – please make sure you stay safe and you can be seen in the dark !!! Please also remember to maintain social distancing and remain in your family/support bubble

Tues Dec 1st – Pine Tree Cottage [near school]

Wed Dec 2nd – 5 St Monica's Close

Thurs Dec 3rd – Melbourne Chapel

Fri Dec 4th – East End Cottage – Pocklington end of village

Sat Dec 5th – 11 Melbourne Park

Sun Dec 6th – Ashwood [York end of village] and 8 Orchard Park

Mon Dec 7th – Melbourne Chapel Crib and 5 Park Close [off Melbourne Park]

Tues Dec 8th – 2 Park Close and 1 Orchard Park

Wed Dec 9th – 6 Hill View [Pocklington end of village] and 22 Orchard Park

Thurs Dec 10th – The Old Post Office [opp telephone box library] and Westgarth [York end of village]

Fri Dec 11th – The Melbourne Arms and 4 Pinfold Cottages [Kidd Lane]

Sat Dec 12th – The Gables [near shop] and 16 Park Close

Sun Dec 13th – The Lodge [near telephone box library] and 10 St Monica's Close

Mon Dec 14th – The Chapel and 11 Park Close

Tues Dec 15th – Mariposa [next to the Chapel] and Maythorne House [towards Playing Fields]

Wed Dec 16th – Willowbank House [next door to school] and The Reading Rooms [near shop]

Thurs Dec 17th – Stratford House [near Playing Fields] and Burnside [near pub]

Fri Dec 18th – Rosemary House [near school] and Pear Cottage [York end of village]

Sat Dec 19th – 16 Orchard Park and Bluebell Cottage [York end of village]

Sun Dec 20th – Ryvern House [off Campey Lane] and 1 Park Cottages*, Campey Lane. * Short walk out of village down the footpath – a torch will be required.

Mon Dec 21st – Touchwood [York end of village] and Dovecote [village end of Graves Lane]

Tues Dec 22nd – 1 New Pastures and 1 Hill View [both towards Pocklington end of village]

Wed Dec 23rd – Angram House [near Playing Fields] and Wold View Cottage [on junction of Campey Lane]

Thurs Dec 24th CHRISTMAS EVE !!!!! – The Beeches, Main Street [opposite the Chapel]

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK?

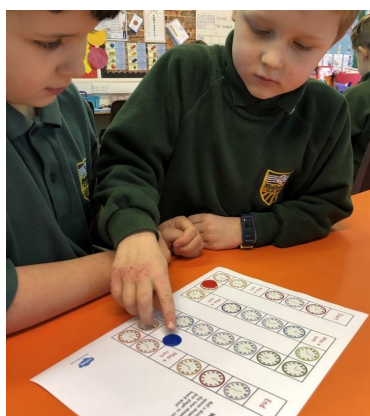
Cygnets & Swans



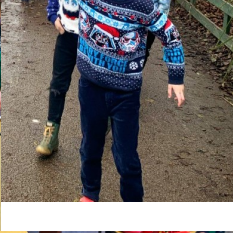
Mallards



Otters



Dragonflies



Hérons



Kingfishers

