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Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Taylor and her partner who are expecting their first baby! Miss Taylor will start her maternity leave in March 2019. We are busy recruiting and will notify everyone in Spring 2019 when we have made a successful teaching appointment for Class 5.

Value Assembly Badges

Every Friday we give out special pin badges to children who are awarded one of our 5 Values Trophies. These are larger than the dojo badges and have coloured stars on them. Children have these to wear for the week and are due to be handed back to Mrs Fielding the following Friday in order that they can be given to the next child who is nominated. Unfortunately, we are not getting these badges returned and now have hardly any left – resulting in some disappointed children who, when it is their lucky day, have no badge to wear for the week as a visible memento. Please can urge parents to check at home and return any of these badges that may have, inadvertently, been left at home as we really need them - many thanks.



Clubs

Please check last week's newsletter (on the website if you have lost it) for details regarding Clubs as there are many cancellations taking place from next week.

Wrap Around Care

Just a reminder that we now offer after school care for Nursery children every day - Miss Hepplewhite, Mrs Fouts and Mrs Burns are providing engaging activities for children in Class 1 at our Wrap Around Club. We currently have spaces. Please contact the office if you are keen to book a session/sessions, Perhaps an opportunity for some late night Christmas shopping!

Children in Need

We are delighted to let you know that all your donations and buns resulted in a grand total of £262.91 being sent to Children in Need from Melbourne Primary School! Well done everyone and a big thank you to all parents for sending in donations and providing baked goods for such a worthwhile cause.



FoS News



Carols in the Playground will be held on **Wednesday 12th December 5.30-6.30pm**. The evening will be full of festive treats including songs from the M&M choir, raffles, cakes, mulled wine, hot dogs and games so please come along. We are currently looking for raffle prize donations to make this year's raffle better than ever. If you can personally donate something or have family, friends or employers that can contribute then please get in touch with a FoS member either through the FB page or on **melbournefos@gmail.com**. Many thanks.

AmazonSmile -Don't forget that it's not too late to register with AmazonSmile in time for your black Friday or Christmas shopping deals. Melbourne Friends of School have been really fortunate to be selected as a charity with Amazon and the more people that register the more money we can raise for the school. It's really easy to do and takes just a few minutes. Mrs Fielding is more than happy to help any parent who wants help to set up on their device. Thank you to everyone that has already registered and using the site - it really does make a difference.

Christmas Performances- REMINDER

In an effort to try and give you as many tickets as possible we have decided to do 2 separate Key Stage performances again this year – one for lower school and one for upper school. There will be **2 evening** performances and **1 afternoon** performance for you to choose from. We would love to be able to offer you unlimited tickets to events like this but, due to Health and Safety Regulations, we cannot exceed our capacity in the school hall, and putting on numerous performances is not practical or possible with what will, more than likely, be some very tired children at that time of the year. Please indicate on the slip below what your preference is for tickets. Requests should be sent into the office as soon as possible and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. **Please do not ask for extras on your slips.** Tickets will be sent home on 30th November and extra tickets may be requested on 3rd December. Please be aware that extras will be limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

- **In the instance where a child does not live with both parents, 3 tickets will be available per parent. Please be aware that it is not the responsibility of the school to ensure that both sets of parents have tickets. Parents should make their own arrangements.**

Classes 1 (including Nursery), 2 & 3 will perform - *The Bossy King*.

You may ask for 3 tickets in total (not 3 per performance)

I would like the following tickets -

Monday 17th December at 2.00pm.....

Monday 17th December at 6.30pm.....

Tuesday 18th December at 6.30pm.....

Signed.....Parent/Guardian ofClass.....



Classes 4, 5 & 6 will perform - *Bah Humbug*

You may ask for 3 tickets in total (not 3 per performance)

I would like the following tickets -

Monday 10th December at 2.00pm.....

Monday 10th December at 6.30pm.....

Tuesday 11th December at 6.30pm.....

Signed.....Parent/Guardian ofClass.....



Christmas Party Day & Christmas Dinner Day

Party day is planned for Thursday 20th December with Christmas dinner day being Friday 21st December. If your child does not usually have a school dinner on these days and would like to join in please complete the slips below and return to the office along with your payment by Monday 3rd December please to enable us to order sufficient food from our supplier. Nursery children should have received a separate letter with information about it. The menu is as follows:

Party Day

Chicken Burgers served with Shoestring Fries, Baked Beans & Sweetcorn. Vegetarian option - Veggie Burger.
Happy Face Ice Cream

Christmas Dinner

Traditional Roast Turkey with Stuffing served with Pigs in Blankets, Roast Potatoes, and Peas & Carrots.
Vegetarian option - Quorn Roast.
Snowman Biscuits.

Party Lunch

My child class would like to have a party day lunch on Thursday 20th December. I have enclosed payment of £2.40. Signed..... Parent/Guardian

Christmas Dinner

My child class..... would like to have a Christmas dinner on Friday 21st December. I have enclosed payment of £2.40.

Signed..... Parent/Guardian

School Dinners

All our dishes are homemade. Fresh fruit and yoghurt are available every day. Vegetarians and all children with special dietary requirements will be catered for. If your child is having the sandwich options during the week please let us know at the office and we will be able to supply you with the information you require. School dinners are priced at £2.40.

School dinner menu - week commencing 26th November

Mon	Italian Style Chicken served with Potato Wedges, Baked Beans & Peas Vegetarian Vegetable Curry Syrup Sponge & Custard
Tues	Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato, Green Beans, Sweetcorn Vegetarian Sausage Chocolate Mousse
Weds	Roast Turkey with Sage & Onion Stuffing, Mashed Potato, Carrots, & Peas Vegetarian Quorn Roast Oaty Biscuit
Thurs	Bolognaise Pasta Bake, served with Crusty Bread, & Mixed Vegetables Vegetarian Pasta Napolitan Eves Pudding
Fri	Fish Fingers served with Steak Fries, Garden Peas, and Sweetcorn Vegetarian Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Chocolate Crunch



Post box

This will be being delivered for use on the 1st Dec for any children wishing to send Christmas cards.

Headlice

We have had reports of headlice in school again. Please check your child's hair over the weekend and treat if required.

Kingswood 2019

Parents of children in current Year 5 should have received a letter this week informing them about an information evening taking place on 5th December. If you didn't get on please enquire at the office.

Don't forget Festive Frolics on 2nd Dec!

Melbourne Village Hall on Sunday 2nd December at 4pm. Enjoy a lovely communal start to the festivities.

Advent windows

A wonderful trail of decorated Advent windows will once again be available to visit in Melbourne over December - the list overleaf will tell you where to go to see them. The individual windows will be revealed on their designated date and then stay open from 4pm to 9.30pm until the 31st of Dec. We would advise that children on the trail should be supervised by a responsible adult – please make sure you stay safe and you can be seen in the dark.



