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Head teacher's Message

Dear Parent/Carers,

Firstly can I say a huge thank you to all the pupils for making this such a brilliant year. One of our core values is 'strive' and we often talk about the importance of 'grafting' in order to make progress. The pupils have worked incredibly hard and we celebrate not only their achievements this year but more importantly their effort and positive attitude to learning.

We are immensely proud of our school and our pupils. The children have been fantastic ambassadors and we frequently receive feedback on how well the children conduct themselves when out of school. The pupils are a real credit to all of you and Melbourne continues to be held up as a great school in the wider community.

I would like to wish a fond farewell to our current Year 6 pupils. They have really flourished this year with guidance from Mrs Forman, Mrs Lawrie and Mrs Knight. We wish them all the very best of luck at Secondary school and we look forward to hearing about their successes in due course.

Additionally, I would like to thank all the staff and governors at Melbourne for helping to make our school such a vibrant place for our children to learn. The staff and governors always go the extra mile and create fabulous opportunities for all of our pupils to learn and grow.

Lastly, I would like to thank you as parents/carers for your continued support. The school is very fortunate to have such committed and supportive families. Thank you for encouraging your child/ren to attend regularly and support with homework tasks. It really does make a huge difference! Can I wish you all a lovely summer and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Happy Holidays!

Mrs Fielding



Y6 Leavers' Assembly and Party

Many thanks to all families for attending both the Y6 leavers' assembly and party this week. We hope that they enjoyed their send off and we wish them every success for the future!

Attendance

We had an attendance assembly this week where we celebrated yet another year of progress! Our overall attendance target for this year was 97% and to date we have achieved 96.3%. We are determined to maintain a high level of attendance in the next academic year and achieve our target of 97% like we did in 2017/18.

Individual pupils, who have achieved an attendance level of over 98% in the summer term or year, have been awarded with a certificate. Every session in school is a session where children are learning, and this is why we strive to promote punctual and regular attendance. Every absence is considered individually and we continue to follow guidance from Educational Welfare on authorised and unauthorised absences.

We would like to thank all parents for their encouragement with attendance and punctuality – we very much appreciate your support.

Thank you from Friends of School!

A big thank you to all of those that came and supported the Friends of School Summer Hog Roast last Friday. The sun was shining and you came in your droves making it a big success. You helped raise an amazing £941.31!!! We would like to give special thanks to The Rowbottom Family, John Marshall, Mike Hawe, Carol Stevens and Nestle who have all given generously to the event and without which would be no way near as successful. Also a big thank you to our cake makers and to our volunteers who gave up their

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

AUTUMN TERM 2019

School starts back (Reception to Y6) – 3rd Sept

School starts back (All nursery children) – 9th Sept

Y6 Trip to Kingswood – 11th to 13th September

Autumn Half Term starts – 28th October

time to help the event run so smoothly. Thank you from all of the Friends of School team.

Mailing List

Just to confirm, we shall be removing contacts from the mailing list ready for next year (those parents who have no children left at Melbourne).

Looking ahead.....

Celebration assemblies

From September, we have decided to bring Celebration Assemblies forward to take place from 9 to 9.30am, still on Fridays. The aim is to minimise the disruption on a Friday during the school day and allow for a full afternoon of planned activities.

May Bank Holiday 2020

As you may be aware, the May bank holiday in 2020 has been moved back to Friday 8th May, to coincide with the 75th anniversary of VE day. This means we shall be in school on Monday 4th May, but we can look forward to the Friday off!

And Finally...

We hope you all have a very happy Summer and come back refreshed on Tuesday 3rd September. Nursery children will start the following week - 9th Sept.

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 3rd September

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| Tues | Sticky Chicken served with Vegetable Rice & Sweetcorn
Vegetarian Jacket Potato
Iced Cookie |
| Weds | Gammon & Pineapple with Sauté Potatoes, & Cauliflower Broccoli Cheese
Vegetarian Quorn Roast
Banoffee Mousse & Banana |
| Thurs | Spaghetti Bolognese served with Crusty Bread, Baby Carrots, & Green Beans Rice
Vegetarian Spaghetti Bolognese
Chocolate Krispie Slice & Mandarins |
| Fri | Fish Nibbles & Tomato Sauce served with Chips, Garden Peas & Sweetcorn
Vegetarian Vegetable Nibbles
Lemon Drizzle & Custard |

