Newsletter

Friday 17th July

Melbourne Primary School

Grow, Explore and Achieve together

Mrs. Burdett's Weekly Update

What a wonderful way to mark the end of another academic year here at Melbourne Primary. Today we said goodbye to our Year 6 pupils as they head off on their next educational journey. It's always a bittersweet moment – we're incredibly proud of everything they've achieved during their time with us, and we're excited for the adventures that await them in secondary school. We wish them all the very best as they take this important step forward.

We've had such a special summer term, culminating in our amazing Melbourne Festival of Music. This is always one of my favourite events in the school calendar, and it never fails to bring the whole community together. The energy, enthusiasm and talent on display from our pupils is truly remarkable, and it's an event that both the children and staff absolutely love. Seeing our young musicians perform with such confidence and joy is a real highlight of the year, and it really showcases the wonderful creative spirit that runs through Melbourne Primary.

As we reflect on this academic year, I want to take a moment to celebrate all of the successes we've achieved together. There's so much to be proud of. The completion of our new build has been transformative for the school – it's given us fantastic new spaces and facilities that are already making a real difference to how we teach and learn. We've also invested significantly in developing our outdoor environments, creating inspiring spaces where our pupils can explore, discover and grow. The expansion of our outdoor educational offer has opened up so many new opportunities for learning beyond the classroom, and we're thrilled with how our pupils have embraced this.

None of this would have been possible without the incredible support of our school community. Whether you're a parent, carer, member of staff or friend of Melbourne Primary, your commitment and encouragement make such a difference. Thank you for everything you do to support our pupils and our school. We truly appreciate you.

As we now head into the summer holidays, I hope you all have a well-deserved rest and plenty of time to spend with your families. Our pupils have worked hard this year, and they've earned a proper break to recharge and enjoy the sunshine.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, ready for another exciting year ahead at Melbourne Primary.

Vicky Burdett

Headteacher

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www.melbourneprimary.org.uk
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Clubs

Breakfast Club - 7.30-8.30am - £6
ASC - 3-4pm - £6
ASC - 4-5pm - £6
Please book breakfast club and After School Club on ARBOR - if you have any issues with booking sessions, please contact the school office.

Enrichment Clubs

There will be a small charge for sessions to cover staffing and resources to keep the clubs running.

Reading at Home

Thank you to all of you who continue to engage with the digital reading log.
Your teachers should have now sent you a letter about the reading log. You will receive a link every Monday. Each child should aim to read and log 4 reading sessions a week.

Well done to those children who have achieved their target this week! We love seeing your reading progress.

Dates for your diary

Summer Term 2 2026 (Monday 1st June 2026 – Friday 17th July 2026)

Autumn Term 1 Wednesday 9th September - Friday 23rd October

Autumn Term 2 2nd November - Friday 18th December

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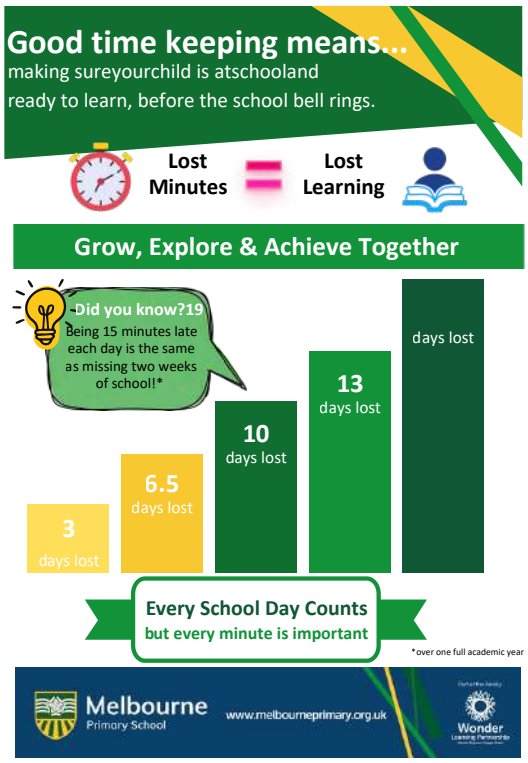
Monday 4th January - Staff training day
Spring Term 1 - Tuesday 5 January – Friday 5 February
Spring Term 2 - Monday 15 February – Friday 19 March

Monday 3rd May - Bank holiday
Summer Term 1 - Monday 5 April – Thursday 27 May
Friday 28th May - Staff training day

Summer Term 2 - Monday 7 June – Friday 23 July
Monday 26th July - Staff training day



Cygnets 91%
Swan 97%
Mallard: 98%
Otter: 95%
Dragonfly: 99%
Heron: 98%
Kingfisher: 96%
Pheasant: 97%



Attendance and Awards!

The value award we are focusing on this week is the 'Achieve' award. Well, done to all the children who have been selected for this award!

CYGNET AND SWAN CLASS –
To all the Cygnets and Swans for a super transition day when you all went to visit your new year groups.
MALLARD – Clemmie, for achieving great progress in all subjects this term and working so hard!
OTTER – Poppy for continuously striving to do her best and achieving great things as a result.
DRAGONFLY – The whole of Dragonfly class for achieving the highest engagement on the Learning with Parents Reading Log.
HERON – Fredrick for his determination to complete the news article this week and acting upon advice from his critical friend
KINGFISHER – Charlie – For trying really hard this week and making good progress in his end of year assessments.
PHEASANT – Elbee – for surviving the day being a great help in EYFS!

Our Writers of the week are:
CYGNET AND SWAN CLASS – Polly for writing independently and with care when completing your morning writing task.
MALLARD – Mark for always going above and beyond in each writing session to create some beautiful work.
OTTER – Noah for showing confidence in writing and using his own innovations.
DRAGONFLY – Alex for your effort and dedication during writing lessons.
HERON – Lois, for writing an excellent news report 'with a twist' based on the story of Little Red Riding Hood.
KINGFISHER – Ronnie – for his amazing non-chronological report on the amazon river.
PHEASANT – Foxton – for his brilliant stories he has written this year


SAVE THE DATE!
KIDS RUGBY
SUMMER CAMP
BOYS AND GIRLS 7-14 YEARS
22nd and 23rd July
5th and 6th August
Further Details
To Follow
Pocklington Rugby Club
Percy Road, YO42 4QB
www.pocklingtonrugbyclub.co.uk


JUNIOR TOUCH RUGBY
AT POCKLINGTON RUGBY CLUB
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS STARTING 13TH MAY
BOYS 7-12 YEARS
6PM - 7PM
GIRLS 7-12 YEARS
6PM - 7PM
BOYS 13-16 YEARS
7PM - 8PM
GIRLS 13-16 YEARS
7PM - 8PM
FREE!
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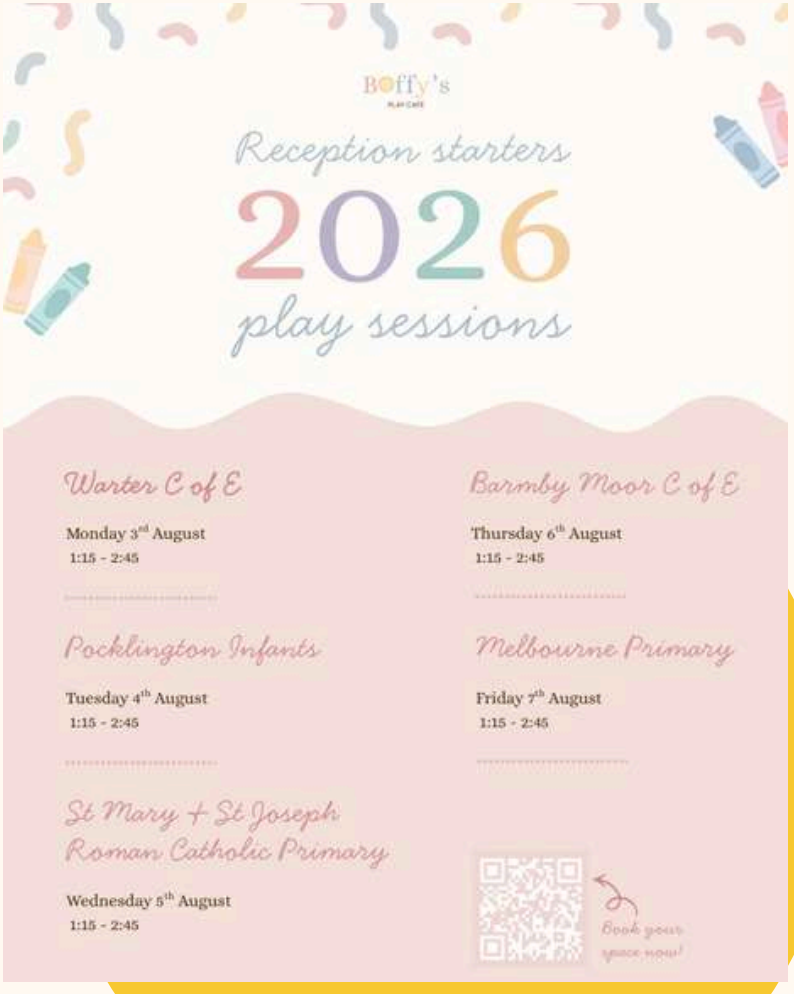
Do you shop at Tesco? Please help Melbourne Primary School win a £1,000 donation! All you need to do is sign up to easyfundraising, then you can raise a cashback donation for us every time you shop online - at no extra cost! Then shop online at Tesco or F&F Clothing by May 31st – every shop equals some extra funding for us AND an entry into the £1,000 donation draw! Thank you so much:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/melbourneprimaryschool/?utm_campaign=pmc&utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=social&utm_content=tesco-5000-wa1

Boffy's Reception Starters 2026 Play Sessions

Starting primary school is a huge milestone, and our Reception Starters 2026 Play Sessions are the perfect way for children to meet their future classmates before September.

Hosted at Boffy's Play Cafe, these relaxed play sessions give local children starting Reception in 2026 the chance to play, explore and build confidence in a friendly, welcoming environment. Parents and carers can also meet other families from the same school and start forming those all-important connections before the school year begins. Whether your little one is feeling excited, nervous, or somewhere in between, these sessions are designed to make the transition into primary school feel a little more familiar, fun and reassuring. Come along, enjoy a play session, meet new friends, and help your child take their first step into school life with confidence on Friday 7th August.



BRANCH AND STEM
GROWING YOUNG MINDS

Bespoke Summer STEM Club in Pocklington

Looking for a summer camp that blends brainpo

wer with active fun? Led by experienced

scientists, our bespoke STEM club is designed to spark curiosity, foster creativity, and build problem-solving skills through hands-on learning.

Who: Curiosity-driven 8–11 year olds

Where: Pocklington School (The Cadet Building, behind little

pips nursery) **When:** 3rd – 7th August | 9am – 4pm daily

Cost: £40 per day (Book just one day, or the whole week!)

Learning through fun: Interactive challenges and team missions keep children inspired and motivated. They'll crack codes, earn rewards, and level up their STEM skills every day. **Expert-Led:** Designed and delivered by James and Tim - both local dads, scientists, and Russel Group lecturers.

Active Brains, Active Bodies: Every day includes integrated physical activities to keep energy levels high and brains refreshed.

How to Book: Spaces are limited to ensure high-quality, hands-on experience.
Contact Tim: **Tel/WhatsApp:** 07749789093
Email: tim.STEMclub@proton.me
Website: branchandSTEM.co.uk (currently under construction)

Summer at Acorn Hollow



Seedlings Holiday Club

Children Aged 5+
Tuesdays and Wednesdays
5 Aug - 3 Sep 2026
Forest School Skills



Saplings Art and Craft

Children Aged 7+
Tuesdays
4 Aug - 1 Sep 2026
Nature Art and Wood Craft



Roots Campfire Skills

Children Aged 10+
Fri 7th August 2026
Fri 21st August 2026
Space for Tweenage and Teens to Explore



More Info:

Acorn Hollow,
Goodmanham Dale, YO43 3NA
www.acornhollow.co.uk
Rebecca - 07753881655

Department for Education

HAF Holiday Activities & Food

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Save the environment whilst saving money and supporting Friends of Melbourne School.

Friends of Melbourne School now has an on-line second hand school uniform shop on the platform Uniformd. Please head along and have a look.

It's easy to see what we have in stock, and simple to place an order. Most of the items are listed with a zero price tag, so you are free to make a donation to Friends of School and receive the items of school uniform in return. Garments will be sent home from school with your child within seven days of you placing the order.

We have to pay an admin charge per transaction for us to use the platform, so we kindly ask that you make a minimum donation of £2 per item, and if possible, purchase more than one item at a time. If you are a uk tax payer, please tick the relevant box on the order form, and we will be able to claim gift aid on your donation.

Our stock list will be updated regularly, so if you don't see what you are looking for, please look again in a few days, or send us an enquiry using the "contact us" button on our page on the web-site.

Please pop along and have a look:
https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/melbourne-primary-school





New Technology Enhancing Teaching and Learning

One of the Wonder Learning Partnership's leading priorities is to ensure our staff, pupils and students have state of the art technology to enhance and improve teaching and learning. We are excited to share that each of our schools had a new interactive whiteboard installed in every classroom and we are thrilled with the impact these are having in engaging pupils in both primary and secondary education.

Our school teaching colleagues have also received new flip laptops providing more flexibility for delivering in-class teaching, screen sharing and interaction with the teaching and learning taking place.

We would like to say thank you to our Technology Project Group team for delivering on our strategy and who continue to research opportunities for our children's future learning.



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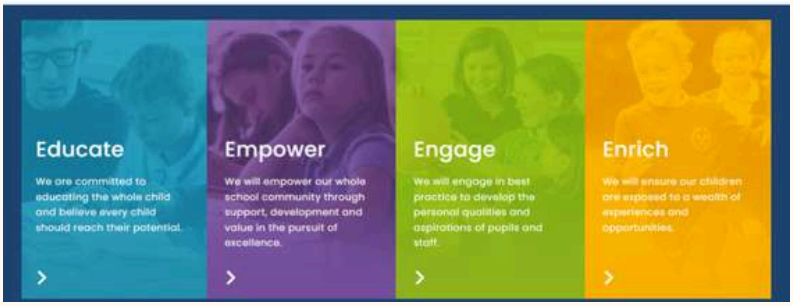


We are part of a wider family of schools in the Wonder Learning Partnership. The Trust is passionate about working in partnership to provide the best education for our children along with ensuring colleagues are supported in career development.

Our Trust is child centered, driven by an absolute desire, to know and care for each child as an individual. To nurture their individual talents and to create within them a love of learning. Exposing them to the true majesty, awe and wonder of creation. We take pride in:

- Recognising locality, rurality, community.
- Respecting the foundation, history and identity of each school.
- Ensuring every child can attend an exceptional local school.
- Providing every school who shares our mission a choice and home.
- Serving the greater good, the needs of others and our vocation as Servant Leaders.
- Being an advocate for those who we serve.

Learn more about our Trust: www.wlp.education




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Wonder Priority: Wonder Culture

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A Collaborative Culture

As part of a family of schools one of the many benefits is collaboration. Our Trust schools work together for the benefit of pupils, colleagues and the community.

Our collaboration goes beyond the classroom to provide opportunities for colleagues to share knowledge and expertise in leadership, operations, finance and more.

For example, our Big Conversation, a Trust-wide consultation led to three project groups working across some of our priorities. Together, these groups have made a huge impact across our Trust:

- Technology
- Culture, Health and Wellbeing
- Education beyond the Curriculum

We regularly bring together colleagues with the same job role from across our schools to share best practice and collaborate on future work or implementation of new processes. These meetings go a long way in allowing for smooth transitions and supporting colleagues.

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