Newsletter

Friday 18th September

Melbourne Primary School

Grow, Explore and Achieve together

Mrs. Burdett's Weekly Update

What a wonderful start to the term we've had at Melbourne Primary! It's been a real pleasure to walk around school this week and see all the pupils talking about being back into the school routine!

First, I'd like to extend a very warm welcome to our new Nursery children who started on Monday. It's been lovely to pop into the EYFS area and see all the children playing, learning and developing some wonderful friendships already. The children have settled in beautifully, and it's clear they're going to have a fantastic time with us at Melbourne.

As I've moved around the school, it's been brilliant to see our classes so immersed in their learning. This week, Geography has been a real focus across the school, with our pupils exploring locations using atlases and also discovering how to use Digimaps online. It's wonderful to see our pupils developing these geographical skills and understanding the world around them.

I've also been really impressed with the work of our Head students this week. They've been doing an amazing job supporting our younger children, ensuring they feel safe on the playground and helping to direct them towards activities and friends. This kind of peer support is so valuable and really demonstrates the caring culture we're building here at Melbourne.

This week, we've also revisited our behaviour curriculum with all our pupils, focusing on our three key expectations: Be Ready, Be Respectful and Be Safe. These underpin everything we do and help create an environment where everyone can learn and thrive.

Next week is particularly exciting as we'll be sharing our school song, which beautifully reflects our three core values: Grow, Explore and Achieve. Throughout the week, we celebrate the ways our pupils embody these values, and on Friday we hold our Special assembly where we recognise outstanding achievements. It's a wonderful way to celebrate success, and our certificate winners also get the special treat of having lunch with me on Friday – it's a lovely opportunity to chat and acknowledge their hard work.

I'm also delighted to tell you about something new here at Melbourne. We're launching Kidslingo FUN French Clubs for Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. These clubs will run every Tuesday, and I'd encourage you to sign your child up. The KS1 children who've already taken part have really enjoyed the games and the chance to speak in a different language – it's been brilliant to see their enthusiasm and confidence growing.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend!

Vicky Burdett
Headteacher



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

Please see Arbor for available 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

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 92.1%

Swan 95.7%

Mallard: 100%

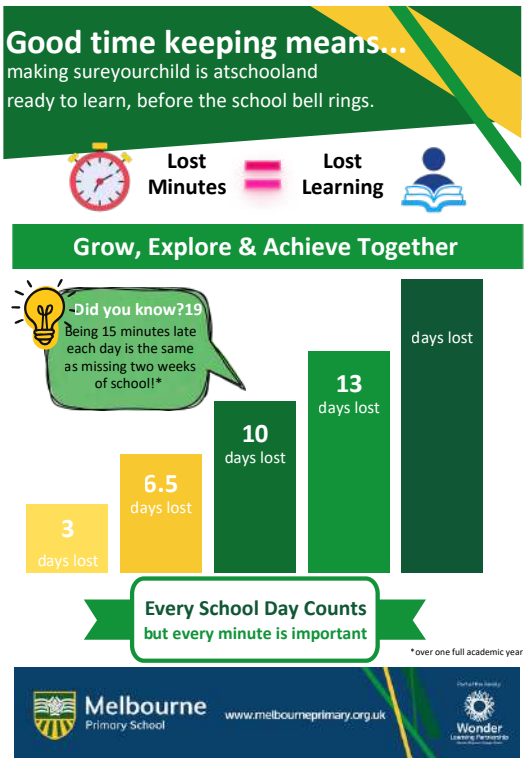
Otter: 100%

Dragonfly: 99.2%

Heron: 96.9%

Kingfisher: 93.9%

Pheasant: 89.2%



Attendance and Awards!

The value award we are focusing on this week is the 'explore' 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 – Bear for being so kind, supportive and helpful to all the new members of our class!

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 – Isabelle, for exploring our new learning confidently and making new friends

KINGFISHER – Isla for your exploration in maths when journalling.

PHEASANT – Henry– for your 'can do' attitude!

Our Readers of the week are:

CYGNET AND SWAN CLASS – Polly for writing independently and with care when completing your morning writing task.

MALLARD – Libby for working so hard to edit her writing and producing a lovely piece of work!

OTTER – Noah for showing confidence in writing and using his own innovations.

DRAGONFLY – Alex for your effort and dedication during writing lessons.

HERON – Ava-Rose for a HUGE progress in her recent star quiz.

KINGFISHER – Theo for your choice of language to draw the reader in and create an image in their mind.

PHEASANT – Jessica- for your contributions in lets think in English lessons

Family Help School and Community Practitioner's

Hello, my name is Adele and I am your Family Help School and Community Practitioner in the North area. I will be working in your school and within your community to offer a range of advice and support to families with any worries or questions they may have.



Visit our drop-in session for a range of advice, tips, and resources to support you and your family.

- Understanding your child's feelings and behaviours.
- Supporting your child's emotional health
- Find out about other services that are available to support you.

We are here to offer support early, before worries grow and become harder to manage

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The third Friday of the month:

18th September
16th October
20th November
18th December

13:00 - 15:00

If you are unable to attend the drop in's please speak to the school office to make alternative arrangements or for the details of the community drop in's.

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OUR GOAL

Our aim is to provide support at the earliest opportunity, helping families address concerns before they become more difficult to manage.



OUR TEAM

Our Teams are based across East Riding and are linked to every school. They have built relationships within their communities to ensure you are getting the best support possible from a wide variety of early help professionals.

They are approachable, relational and reliable. They help understand what is going well, what might be difficult, and what support could make things easier for your child and family.



FEEDBACK

We value your feedback and would be grateful if you could take a few moments to share your thoughts about the support you have received. Your feedback helps us to continually develop and improve our service, ensuring that we are meeting the needs of families and providing the right support at the right time.

CONTACTS

You can speak to your school to find out how to get in contact with us.

FAMILY HELP SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY TEAM

We are here to listen, offer guidance, and help connect you with the right support at the right time.



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TENNIS AND MULTISPORTS

OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMP

PLAY TENNIS | TRY NEW SPORTS | MAKE NEW FRIENDS | STAY ACTIVE & HAVE FUN!

OCTOBER HALF TERM DATES:

MON 26TH – THURS 29TH OCT

TUES 3RD – WED 4TH NOV

9am – 4pm

HALLOWEEN SPECIAL
THURS 29TH NOVEMBER



SUITABLE FOR AGES 4+

- Half Day Camp: 9am – 12 noon or 1 – 4pm (£25)
- Full Day Camp: 9am – 4pm (£35)
- Early Drop: 8.30am (£5)
- Late Collection: 4.30pm (£5)

BOOK 3 OR MORE DAYS IN ONE WEEK AND RECEIVE:

10% DISCOUNT | FREE EARLY DROP OFF | FREE LATE COLLECTION

07772 151545 | Sean@pocklingtontennis.com

More than a camp... a healthier, happier half term!

UNIFORMD

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.



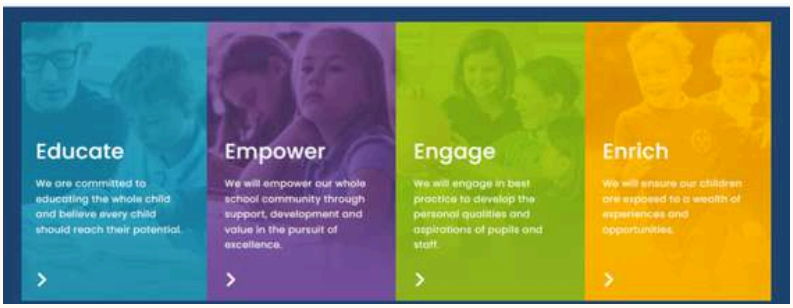


We are part of a wider family of schools in the Wonder Learning Partnership. The Trust is passionate about working in partnership to provide the best education for our children along with ensuring colleagues are supported in career development.

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

The health and wellbeing of colleagues and pupils



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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