



MELTHAM MOOR  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th December 2022

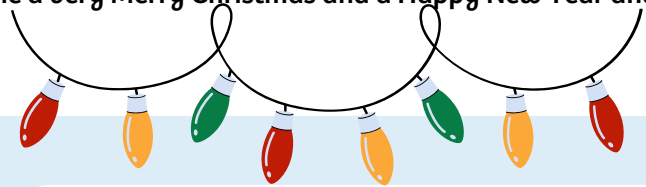


## Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

As this is our final newsletter of this term and 2022, may we thank all parents, carers, grandparents and friends for their support over the year.

After a challenging couple of years, it has been nice to have a year of normality again and the children continue to make great progress personally, socially and academically.

We feel very lucky to have such wonderful and supportive parents and carers. Your support, working with us in partnership, has been crucial to the continuing achievement and progress of the children and the school. We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and look forward to 2023.



## Goodbye & Thank You

At the end of this term we are unfortunately saying goodbye to Mrs Noble (who has unfortunately had long-term absence from school), Miss Shaw (Year 4) and Mrs Bryce (Reception). We thank them all for their hard work and wish them well for the future. They will all be very much missed at Meltham Moor!

THANK  
YOU

## Year 3 Visit to Meltham Methodist Church

Year 3 visited Meltham Methodist Church on Thursday 8th December to take part in an interactive journey through the Christmas story. Many thanks to the staff and some of the congregation of the church, who made the morning so memorable.

## Christmas Concerts

Huge congratulations to all the children for performing so well in all of the Christmas Concerts that have taken place over the last few weeks. We are sure you'll agree that everyone sang and performed beautifully. The children have shown great confidence and enthusiasm in the way they have practised and performed – making us all very proud. Thank you to parents, grandparents etc for attending and also for ensuring your children came back to school for evening performances and were collected safely. Finally, a huge thanks to our PTA for organising the raffles and helping at the door. A reminder that all the money from ticket sales goes towards costs relating to the concerts and other enrichment activities.

## Carol Singing at Morrisons

Our choir had their first performance yesterday at Morrisons, spreading some festive cheer to shoppers and raising funds for Forget Me Not Children's Hospice.





## Year 4 Christmas Visit to the Baptist Church

On Tuesday 6th December, Year 4 walked down to the Baptist Chapel on Mean Lane. The congregation welcomed us and were thrilled to have us there. There were Christmas activities for us to do (juice for the children, coffees for the adults) and an array of Christmas treats for everyone. After spending time talking to the congregation, doing the activities and exploring the features in the building, we sat together and listened to the Christmas story. We then sang 'Away in a Manger' and joined in prayers of thanks led by Rev. Tom. Everyone really enjoyed themselves and we are looking forward to returning for an Easter celebration in March next year.



## School Council Visit to Meltham Town Council Chambers

On Tuesday afternoon, our School Council were lucky enough to visit the Meltham Town Council Chambers at the Carlile Centre where they met the Meltham Mayor, Cllr. Richard Noon, and other members of Meltham Town Council. The visit was also supported by Democracy Friendly Schools, with whom we will be working in the New Year. The two councils discussed the positives of Meltham, and how it also could be further improved. The Mayor was delighted to receive a number of persuasive letters written by Year 4 which outline their ideas for improvements to the Robert Ashton Memorial Park. The children were also shown the road safety signs, designed by our Year 3s, which will be placed around Meltham. Following a question-and-answer session, the children (and Mrs Woodfield) all had the opportunity to wear the mayor's chains, worth £250 000! They also enjoyed refreshments and left with a tasty treat.

## Carols in the Park

On Sunday 4th December, it was the annual Carols in the Park event at Robert Ashton Memorial Park. Thanks to all those children and families who turned out to join in. As always it was a lovely, if a little cold, festive evening.



## Christmas Hamper Winners!

Thank you to everyone who both contributed to the hampers and bought raffle tickets this year. The hampers were very well stocked and looked amazing! The winners have been told the good news and have collected their hampers!

The raffle has raised a grand total of £299 for PTA funds, which will all benefit our children in school.



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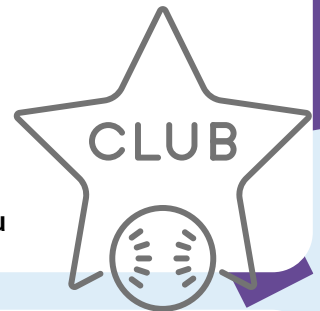
## Family Links Course

I am pleased to say we are hosting a Family Links course at our school in the New Year. A number of parents and carers have already expressed an interest in this following a post on Dojo. This is a popular and effective course which I am sure would benefit any parent/carer - after all, children don't come with a manual and nobody can say that parenting is easy! It concentrates on supporting emotional health, raising self-esteem, developing communication and social skills, teaching positive ways to resolve conflict, providing effective strategies to encourage co-operative responsible behaviour and managing challenging behaviour in children. It is also an opportunity to meet and chat with other parents who may be going through a similar experience to you. Refreshments will be available. The course will take place on a Wednesday morning 9.30 -11.30 from 18th January to 29th March (no session in February half term). There will be a welcome session on the 11th January to introduce you to the trainers and complete the course paperwork. If any other parents or carers are interested, please get in touch with Mrs Woodfield or the school office. You would be more than welcome!

## After School Clubs

After school clubs will continue to run in the Spring term, after the Christmas break. They are as follows:-

Multiskills (Reception, 1 & 2)	Monday – 9th January to 27th March
Streetdance (4, 5 & 6)	Tuesday – 10th January to 28th March
Football (3, 4, 5 & 6)	Wednesday – 11th January to 29th March



Please ensure that payment is made via Parent Pay before the first session. Thank you

## Dates for your diary

Tues 3rd Jan  
Teacher training  
day (school  
closed)

Wed 4th Jan  
School Open

## Meltham Food Bank

Just a reminder of Meltham Food Bank's contact details if any families are in need over the Christmas period - 01484 854400 or 07564 764137

## Christmas Holiday Activity Days @ Meltham Complex

Mr Jacobs of Legacy Sports will be running activity days during the holidays, 9 am to 3 pm, as follows:-

Monday 19th December	Multisports
Tuesday 20th December	Bootcamp
Wednesday 21st December	Multisports
Thursday 22nd December	Dance Academy
Friday 23rd December	Christmas games and party

£20.00 per session

Please contact Kirk to book a place on 07525 370437 or e-mail [kirk@legacysport.co.uk](mailto:kirk@legacysport.co.uk)