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Meltham School's Out

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What's happening at

Meltham School's Out

Welcome back to Meltham School's Out!

The new term is now in full swing and it's lovely to see some familiar faces, some new faces, and we said farewell to our outgoing Year 6s, who have now started new adventures in high school.

This year we've welcomed a lot of new starters from Foundation Stage, who have now all settled really well. It's like they've always been here!

Children's Belongings

Please make sure that your child/ren's belongings have their names on. This includes coats, cardigans, jumpers, hats, gloves, water bottles, and so on.

Along with the fact that the room is used by school during the day, sessions recently have been incredibly busy, and so to avoid (possibly brand new!) items from going missing, they need to be as easily identifiable as possible.

MSO Activities

Our craft activities begin again in October, and we have lots of lovely things planned, including painting pumpkins, paper trees with real leaves, autumn cooking (cake and apple crumble) and we'll once again be doing pointillism leaves, since it was so popular last year.

We've also already planned paper Christmas trees and reindeer decorations as part of our festive celebrations this year. Keep your eyes peeled for other Christmas crafts!

Wear Your Wellbeing

We will also be taking part in 'Wear Your Wellbeing' day on Friday 13th October along with school, so you may see our staff wearing their comfiest clothes (or even pyjamas!) when you drop off or collect your children.

Updating Details

GDPR and Ofsted require the club to hold relevant, up-to-date information of all registered children. Over the next few weeks we will be asking all families to check the details we have, and make any changes, if needed.

Policies

We have recently had a full review of all our policies, which you can now find on the Meltham School's Out page of the school's website. To keep fully updated with club policy and procedure, please familiarise yourselves with these.

Summer Fete

During the last week of term we held a summer fete at the club, where we had traditional fairground games, like Hook-a-Duck, Splat the Rat and Tin Can Alley. We made use of the school hall and were also lucky enough to have weather on our side, so we had some of the games out in our courtyard.



Food Served

As most of you have probably now noticed, we now all sit down and eat breakfast together, between 7.45am and 8.15am. Children dropped off after this time are offered a cereal bar and fresh fruit and will eat breakfast in the main club room. Other breakfast food provided include toast, a variety of cereals and a small cup of fruit juice.

At after school club, the food offered is a snack, rather than a meal. Food provided at the club must comply with Ofsted's requirement to promote healthy eating and lifestyles.

We aim to provide food that meets the dietary requirements of all children so please contact us if your child has any food intolerances, allergies, cultural or religious food requirements. Further information is available in the club's Food Policy.

Wellbeing

If you feel you need support with any concerns you may have, please take a look at the following resources:

- www.nhs.uk
- www.mind.org.uk
- www.nspcc.org.uk
- www.minded.org.uk

The school has links to these websites, as well as further information in the 'Wellbeing' section on their website.

Remember to look after yourselves!

Notable Dates

Tuesday 10th October: World Mental Health Day

Friday 13th October: 'Wear Your Wellbeing' day in club and at school

Tuesday 17th October: November invoices issued

Friday 27th October: the club and school closes for half term

Tuesday 31st October: November invoices due

Monday 6th November: club and school re-open

Thursday 16th November: December invoices issued

Friday 24th November: Teacher training day (club and school closed to pupils)

Thursday 30th November: December invoices due

Friday 15th December: January invoices issued

Friday 22nd December: Teacher training day (club and school closed to pupils) and club and school close for Christmas

And Finally...

This newsletter will be available via email and on the 'School's Out' page on the school website, however if you wish to have a printed version, please ask a member of the team, who will be happy to print one for you.