



Meltham School's Out, Meltham CE Primary School, Holmfirth Road, Meltham, Holmfirth, HD9 4D

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Meltham School's Out

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What's happening at

Meltham School's Out

Happy New Year from Meltham School's Out!

From everyone at Meltham School's Out, we'd like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and hope that you all had a peaceful and restful break over the festive season.

Christmas Activities

In the run-up to Christmas, we had a huge variety of Christmas crafts and activities, including reindeer gift bags, papercraft Christmas trees, reindeer tree ornaments, 'design your own bauble' and reindeer hoopla.



MSO Activities

This half term we have lots of wonderful wintery-themed activities planned, like making snowmen, penguin pictures and bread making.

Help with Childcare Costs

We always aim for the service the club provides to be affordable and accessible.

Options available to families to pay for childcare costs include tax-free childcare and the childcare portion of Universal Credit.

Tax-Free Childcare: If eligible, for every £8 you pay into your account, the government will pay in £2 for you to pay your childcare provider. Over a year, this may add up to £2000 for each of your children. For more information and to find out if you're eligible, please visit:

www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare.

Universal Credit: If you are in receipt of Universal Credit, you may be able to get up to 85% of childcare costs paid back to you. You pay the upfront cost, then report it to Universal Credit, and you will get the money after the childcare has happened. To find out more information, please visit:

www.gov.uk/guidance/universal-credit-childcare-costs

Please Drive with Care



Following reports the club has received over the past couple of weeks, this is a direct request to anyone who drives into the school car park:

Please reduce your speed to a walking pace when entering the car park to drop-off or collect children for Meltham School's Out.

This request also includes reversing. Please take the time to make sure your path is clear before manoeuvring.

This is important at any time, but especially when it is dark in the morning or after school as children or adults may not be visible as they cross the car park.

Please leave enough time for your journey to the school so that you do not need to rush and also pass on this message to anyone else who has authority to drop-off or collect your children from the club.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep everyone safe.

Child Absences

We'd like to remind families to please let the club know directly if your child will not be attending one of their sessions, or if they are taken home from school during the day. You can either call, text or email using the details at the top of this newsletter.

Children's places are payable regardless of absence. Refunds (by way of credit for future sessions) may only be given in exceptional circumstances, such as if the club had to close due to adverse weather.

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

Monday 22nd January: Breakfast Week begins

Wednesday 31st January: February invoices are due

Monday 5th February: Children's Mental Health Week

Friday 9th February: The club and school closes for half term

Thursday 15th February: March invoices issued

Monday 19th February: The club and school reopens

Thursday 29th February: March invoices are due

Thursday 7th March: World Book Day

Friday 15th March: April invoices issued

Friday 22nd March: The club and school closes for Easter

Sunday 31st March: April invoices due

Monday 8th April: The club and school reopens

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.