



# Headlines

Spring Term 1, Week 5

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The end of the week and I've had the joy of watching Year One's assembly to parents this morning. Our assemblies to parents are always a super reminder of how amazing our children are; how brave and confident and creative Meltham CE children can be. So it's set me up for a wonderful day and weekend. I hope you all enjoy your own weekends and I'll see you all on Monday, bright and early (and on time please).

### Reporting your child's absence

If your child is absent from school please contact the school office to report their absence and the reason for their absence. Registration closes at 09:00 so it's important that all children have been accounted for as soon as possible.

If your child is ill, please provide brief details of the illness - this helps us monitor any rise in illnesses which may be contagious. The office number is 01484 850671.

### Late arrivals

Please remember how important it is to arrive at school on time. So much happens in the first part of the day and if children miss the start of the day, they can miss learning that is difficult to recover. It is also harder for children to settle into their day comfortably when they don't come in with their peers, settle and find out the plan for the day.

### School day timings

School gates open: 08:45  
School gates close: 09:00  
Registers close: 09:00  
Daily morning: 09:00 to 12:15  
Daily afternoon: 13:15 to 15:15

If your child is late, they must be signed in at the school office. Children should not be signing themselves in without a parent or guardian present.

### RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch

Thank you to everyone who took part in this year's RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch. We had a fantastic effort this year with over 70 children taking part. Everyone who took part has helped the RSPB with monitoring UK wildlife. This week we drew a winner from Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Well done to Theodore and Florence who both received a bird card game and an RSPB bird stuffed animal. Everyone who took part will receive a certificate from the Eco Committee. Thank you again to everyone who took part.

**ATTENDANCE**  
Our whole school target is:  
**96%**  
This week our whole school attendance was:  
**96.52%**  
Congratulations! Our attendance winners for the week are:  
**Class 1**

### Do you work in a 'green job'?

Earth Day is approaching fast. To celebrate we are looking at 'green jobs' to inspire us. If you work in an environmental job, keeping our streets clean, marine biology, environmental photographer, green architect, clean energy supplier, etc, we would love to hear from you. If you would like to share your important role please contact Miss Ingham: office.meltham@kirkleeseducation.uk

### Christian Values

A big thank you and a special mention to Marley in Year 4. We are replacing our balance trail in Key Stage 2 after half-term. To fund this very expensive project, we are applying for grants, we have help from our PSA and we have a donation from Meltham School's Out. We are also undertaking a sponsored event in the summer term! This week, Marley has baked and sold her produce, raising the very first £20 for the project (before fundraising has even begun!). Well done Marley. We've banked your money this week!

### 2025-2026 Term Dates

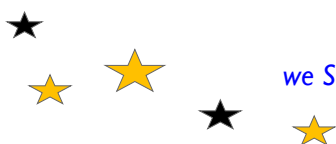
These are available to view on the school [website](#).

### Meltham Shouts Out!

Auditions are being held in the first week back after half-term (24th February).

Day	Date	Year Group Auditions
Monday	24th Feb	6
Tuesday	25th Feb	5
Wednesday	26th Feb	4
Thursday	27th Feb	3
Friday	28th Feb	1 & 2

Successful acts will be involved in semi-finals in school assemblies during the two weeks from Monday 10th March, and the lucky finalists will be invited to the grand final (along with parents) on the evening of Thursday 3rd April at 6pm.



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## School PSA Valentine Disco

Our next school disco is on Thursday 13th February - £3 on the door please.

**EYFS & KS1** from 6:00-7:00pm entering via the front door and collecting from the hall.

**KS2** - from 7:15-8:15pm, entering by the kitchen servery door and collecting from the hall.

Please send children with their own bottles which will be filled with juice or water. They will receive a treat to take home. We will be asking for help nearer the time.

## Internet Safety

Tuesday 11th February is Safer Internet Day 2025. During the week each class will complete a lesson helping children to be safer online in an age appropriate way focusing on this year's theme "To good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online." Please also find attached to headlines a guide for parents from Parentzone.

## Children's Mental Health Week

This week has been Children's Mental Health Week. All children have been addressing it in class. It ties in with lots of work we do in school in the taught curriculum of PHSE and with our BE RULER emotional regulation programme. Here's a flyer Mrs. Myers has asked me to include.

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## Maths Tuition

Mayall Maths 2025 classes have started again! With limited spaces available please enquire now for more information or to book a place [info@mayallmaths.co.uk](mailto:info@mayallmaths.co.uk)

## A plea from the residents of the Carlile Housing Complex

We have been approached by residents of the Carlile Housing Complex. Parents who are parking/walking through the Carlile Car Park have allowed children to run into the complex and press the buzzer. Please be aware that this is housing for the elderly and some have physical disabilities, and they have found this distressing. The complex is, of course, private property and there is no access, other than for the residents, to Clarke Lane. There is access through the Coop Car Park and Car Park at the side of Clarke Lane. Please try to keep children away from the complex in future. Thank you.

# TIPS FOR FAMILIES

**Place2Be's CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**

- 1 Encourage journaling**  
Just like Riley, encourage your older children and young people to express their emotions and thoughts through journaling. It can be less confronting than speaking out loud and is a helpful way to process what is going on.
- 2 Make space for reflection**  
When children and young people reflect on their different emotions, it can help them better understand themselves and what they need. Go for a walk, drive, or try some mindful colouring or baking together.
- 3 Be visual**  
Use Imagery, such as emojis or flashcards to help children and young people recognise and label their feelings.
- 4 Practice mindfulness**  
Try mindful activities, and quiet family time, to enjoy being in the present moment. This can help children and young people be aware of their thoughts and emotions and learn a useful new coping technique.
- 5 Communicate**  
Feedback is crucial for helping us see our blind spots and gain greater insight. Children and young people are no different. Creating safe and supportive ways to share your own experience with your child can help them understand themselves and their impact on the world around them.

If you're a parent or teacher, you'll find loads of useful advice to help you support the brilliant young people in your lives - from FAQs to downloadable packs. [Here4You.co.uk](https://www.here4you.co.uk)

## Community News

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## Dates for the Term

Please be advised some dates may change.

**Thurs 30th Jan**- Eco committee working with Kirklees Recycling

**Fri 7th Feb** - Year 1 Assembly to parents (9:15am)

**Thu 13th Feb** - PSA School Disco

**Fri 14th Feb** - Shining Stars in school at 2:25pm

**Fri 14th Feb** - School closed for half-term 3:15pm

**Mon 24th Feb** - School reopens

**Wed 26th Feb** - Class 5 to Colne Valley Museum

**Fri 28th Feb** - EYFS assembly to parents

**Wed 5th Mar** - Class 6 to Colne Valley Museum

**Thurs 6th Mar** - World Book Day

**Mon 10th Mar** - Parents Evening Week

**Mon 10th Mar** - Year 5 bikeability programme begins

**Wed 19th Mar** - EYFS Welly Day

**Thurs 20th Mar** - Sing up! Assembly in school at 2:25pm

**Thurs 27th Mar** - Clothes Swap event in the hall (3:15—4:00)

**Fri 28th Mar** - Clothes Swap event in the hall (3:15—4:00)

**w/b 31st Mar** - EYFS health screening begins

**Fri 4th April** - Shining Stars & Christian Values Assembly  
Assembly in the hall at 2:20pm

**Fri 4th April** - School closed for Easter

## Help with parenting links

[Family Lives online parenting courses](#)

[Thriving Kirklees \(Locala\)](#)

[Triple P parenting courses](#)

[Strengthening Families](#)

[The Spark Blog](#)

[The Sleep Charity-supporting children to get better sleep](#)

[CEOP advice and support](#)

[The Dad Pad—support for new fathers](#)

Gov.uk—[Financial help if you have children](#)

## Wellbeing Links

[My Happy Mind](#)

[Smartphone Free Childhood](#)

[Kirklees Keep in Mind \(kirklees-keep-in-mind.nhs.uk\)](#)

[Meltham CE Primary Wellbeing website page](#)

[NHS](#)

[Kirklees Mental Health Support](#)

[Thriving Kirklees \(Locala\)](#)

[Mind](#)

[Anna Freud—Children & Young People's Mental Health Support](#)

[Young Minds](#)

[Kirklees Cost of Living Support](#)

[The Welcome Centre](#)

[Crossroads Centre](#)



## Meltham C.E School

### Our School Uniform.

*At Meltham CE Primary we wear our uniform with pride. It gives us a sense of belonging to our school and creates an identity for our school in the community. We are very lucky because we are given a choice of 3 colours for our sweatshirts – red, blue and black. We can also wear shorts, trousers, a skirt or a dress – whatever we feel most comfortable in.*

A uniform prevents children from having to worry about peer pressure and what clothing they should wear. When everyone wears the same clothes this acts as a social leveller with children wearing the same uniform no matter what their family background or income.

If you need support with school uniform or other items, please get in touch and we will do our very best to help.

### Uniform

- A red, black or royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan, plain or embroidered with the school logo.
- A plain white polo shirt.
- Plain grey or black trousers, shorts or skirt.
- Shoes must be practical and should be plain and black.
- Socks or tights should be school colours.
- In the warmer weather children may choose to wear school-style summer dresses in either blue or red.

### P.E Kit.

*Children should come to school wearing their P.E kit on the day of their P.E lesson.*

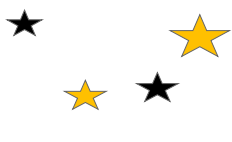
- A plain white t-shirt (no logo).
- Plain dark shorts and/or jogging bottoms.
- A plain dark hoody.
- Black Trainers/pumps.
- No sports kits, branded clothing or cropped tops

### Forest School and Welly Days.

- Dark Plain clothing suitable for outdoor work depending on the weather that day.
- A change of footwear. Clean pair for indoor, wellies/old trainers for muddy outdoor work with a plastic/kit bag to take dirty footwear home in.

### General information.

- Foundation stage/KS1 need a school book bag.
- KS2 children can bring a small rucksack style bag.
- Long hair must be tied back at all times and no jewellery other than watches and earrings for pierced ears are allowed.



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**Eco-Schools**

- If worn, 1 pair of earrings must be small, plain and flat which must be removed by the child before PE. Plastic retainers may be worn. In exceptional circumstance staff will provide children with tape to put over their studs. (all earrings must be removed before swimming in Year 4).
- If children have their ears pierced, we recommend it is done at the beginning of the summer holiday to allow them to heal.
- Children are not permitted to wear make-up or nail varnish
- No cropped tops to be worn in school (inc non-uniform days, forest school, clubs)
- **Please make sure all your child's belongings are clearly named/labelled.**

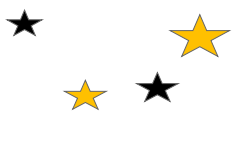
#### Suppliers.

- <http://www.termtimewear.com>
- <http://koolskools.co.uk/productcategory/meltham-cofe-primary-school>
- Free pre owned uniform available from <https://www.uniform-exchange.org/>
- Plain school uniform is also available from most supermarkets
- Labels for all clothing and belongings available from <https://www.stikins.co.uk/>

#### Daily Footwear



#### PE Kit, Forest School



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