



# Headlines

Spring Term 1, Week 6

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It's the end of the half-term, and as I wrote a lot in last week's Headlines, I'll keep it brief. I'd like to wish you all a super half-term, whatever you're doing, on behalf of the staff and myself. Please stay safe and I'll look forward to seeing you all on Monday 24th February.

## Safer Internet Use

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

## Spring Term 1's Shining Stars

The year's third batch of Shining Stars are being celebrated today. A very big well done to:

Orlaith and Journee in EYFS  
Hugo and Lyra in Year 1  
Maddie and Molly in Year 2  
Oskar and Mary in Year 3  
Lucie and Freya in Year 4  
Dylan and Amelia in Year 5  
Josh and Abigail in Year 6

I wonder who it will be at the end of next half term?

## Next Half-Term

Please check the dates at the end of the newsletter for upcoming events.

## Parents Evening

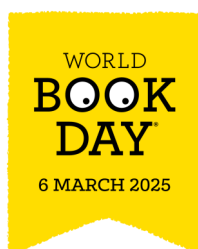
Parents Evening will be w/c 10th March. Slots will be released after half term. Further information to follow.

## World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 6th March. We always mark the occasion in school of course, but this year we will be broadening our celebrations.

This year we are inviting children to dress up as a character from one of their favourite books, or in a way that relates to their favourite book.

It is not compulsory, and any child who does not feel comfortable doing this can wear their school uniform.



## ATTENDANCE

Our whole school target is:

96%

This week our whole school attendance was:

96.54%

Congratulations! Our attendance winners for the week are:

Class 6

We aren't asking for any money, but are offering a prize for one child in each class who comes in the best **home made** costume. I hope that creating a costume can be something families might do together either in the upcoming weekends or over the half-term holiday.

As an Eco School, we are focussed on sustainability, reusing and recycling, so these things will be taken into consideration when a winner is chosen. I'm afraid that Amazon bought costumes won't be winners this time around.

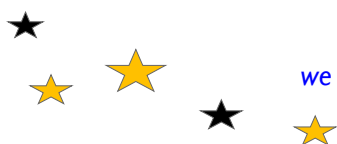
We'd also like to invite children to take pictures (with a little help from you) of themselves reading in unusual places. If you could email these to the class teacher, or print them out to bring in during World Book Day week, the winner from each class will get a sneaky afternoon hot chocolate and an extra playtime with a friend. During the week, we will be undertaking lots of book-based activities and hope it will be a wonderful day for the children and staff to enjoy together.

## Considering Academy Status

As a Church of England School, we are required to regularly carry out due diligence around joining an academy trust. This process involves meeting with academies which are church school led, talking to the local authority and considering if, and how, joining might benefit the school, its children and the community. The school's governing body and I will keep you updated if there are any development.

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

This one we'll keep in, hoping for a few more responses... Earth Day is approaching fast. To celebrate we're 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](mailto:office.meltham@kirkleeseducation.uk)



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## Book Fair

### Wednesday 5th March – Tuesday 11th March

Please come along and support this event, which can raise a considerable sum of money towards books for the school library and classrooms.

The children will get a chance to look at the books during the day on Wednesday 5th March and they will be available to buy from 3:25pm until 4:15pm daily from Wednesday 5th March to Tuesday 11th March.

Any orders need to be sent to Mrs Widdop by Monday 10th March, with full payment, to ensure a Wednesday delivery. If you have ordered on line you will need proof of payment to collect your order.

## Community News

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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)

## Dates for the Term

Please be advised some dates may change.

**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** - Y5 Assembly to parents (9:15am)  
**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  
**Tues 22nd April** - School reopens for Summer Term

## 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 \(kirklees-keep-in-mind.nhs.uk\)](http://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](#)



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## 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.*

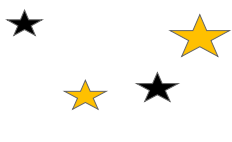
- A plain white t-shirt (no logo).
- Plain dark shorts and/or jogging bottoms.
- A plain dark hoody.
- Black Trainers/pumps.
- No sports kits, branded clothing or cropped tops

### 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.**

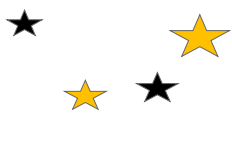
#### Suppliers.

- <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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