



Melling News

SPRING TERM 13th FEBRUARY 2026



LAST DAY OF SPRING 1 - HAPPY HALF-TERM!

Well, here we are at the mid-way point of our school year when hopefully we can begin to look forward to lighter nights and warmer days. We break up today Friday 13th February and return to school on Monday 23rd February.

DATES FOR DIARY

Mon 23rd February start of Spring 2

-Tue 24th Feb – Y3 Museum trip

-Wed 25th Feb Y2 trip Imagine That

WEDNESDAY 25th FEBRUARY – AFTER SCHOOL CLUB CLOSED

-Tues 3rd March NSPCC Assembly KS1

-Wed 4th March NSPCC Assembly KS2

-Thurs 5th March WORLD BOOK DAY (no need to spend money on costumes, we will have alternative ideas!)

-Wed 11th March Y5 Parent-teacher meetings online

FRIDAY 13th MARCH – SCHOOL CLOSED PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

-Wed 25th March KS1 Easter Assembly 2pm

-Thurs 26th March KS2 Easter Assembly 2pm

-Friday 27th March break up for Easter 1.30pm

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT WRITING?

In our Autumn questionnaire, you asked for more information on the expectations of writing in your child's year group. Today, each class teacher has sent home an information sheet on the expectations of writing for their class. If the terminology needs an explanation – do look on the class page on the website. There are some hints as to how you can help support your child with writing.

SMART TECH – SAFE CHOICES



In an ever-changing high tech society, we must all work together to keep our children safe online. Whilst at school we try to reinforce the 'Be safe online' messages, it is vital for you as parents/carers to be as up to date as you can be. This week we have been exploring AI – the benefits and the pitfalls. Please do speak to your children about what they have been chatting about this week.



THE GOLDILOCKS EFFECT OF READING ALOUD

-Audio alone is "too cold" because children's brains don't fully engage.

-Video is "too hot" because it decouples vision, language, and imagination.

-Reading aloud from books with images is "just right."



This week we have enjoyed reading aloud with others



Happy reading over half term!!!

TERM DATES FOR YEAR 2026 – 2027 WILL BE ON THE WEBSITE FROM MONDAY 23rd FEB

NEW WEBSITE

Just to let you know we are in the process of moving from one website platform to another. The migration will hopefully be complete by the end of next half term. In the meantime, there maybe some slight glitches or omissions as we move from the old to the new.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

CLASS ATTENDANCE % SPRING 1			
YR	94.8	Y3	94.7
Y1	94.5	Y4	96.2
Y2	95.4	Y5	97.2
Holidays of 5 days or more will incur a penalty fine.		Y6	94.2

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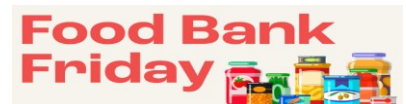
MELLING PRE-SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS

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WE WILL BE SAYING 'GOODBYE' TO MRS TOBORNE Y4

It is with a very heart that I inform you that Mrs Toborne will be leaving us at the end of the Spring term (Wed 25th March). She has decided it is time to enter into a new challenge and a new chapter of her educational career. Mrs Toborne has worked in Melling Primary for just under 13 years and has been an inspirational teacher to generations of children. We, of course will be celebrating her time here at Melling before she leaves, but we know we need to make the most of her last half term with us.

After Easter, Mrs Grainger will be teaching in Y4 all week. In Y5, Miss Cant will teach on Mon and Tues, with Mrs Jones teaching Wed to Fri.



Thank you for your continued support with our Food Bank collection.

BREAKFAST CLUB AND DOLPHIN (AFTER SCHOOL) CLUB BOOKINGS: ALL BOOKINGS MUST BE MADE USING PARENTPAY – BOOKINGS CAN BE MADE UP TO 3pm ON THE DAY BEFORE A PLACE IS REQUIRED

BE THE BEST THAT YOU CAN BE...BE PROUD



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