



Melling News

AUTUMN TERM 2nd OCTOBER 2026



Well, where did September go? Here we are in October, which means that we will be thinking about Harvest. You will all have received a letter about harvest donations and the assemblies that will take place. It fits in so well with our golden value: 'Giving is more important than receiving'. Please do support our Rainbow of Food donations.

GENTLE REMINDERS FOR PARENTS

1. **FLU IMMUNISATION** – Please ensure that you have visited the link – this is an



opt out service, so if you do not want your child to have the vaccine you must tell them.

ACHIEVEMENT

SO PROUD OF OUR MELLING CHILDREN

I am delighted to inform you of the incredible results achieved by our children in the last academic school year:

- * At the end of Y6 100% of our children achieved the standard in Maths; 90% in Reading; 90% in Grammar, Punctuation and spelling and 84% in Writing.
 - * 70% of Y4 children scored 25/25 in the Multiplication Check
 - * 97% of our Y1 children met the standard in Phonics Screening
 - * 77% of children in YR achieved a Good Level of Development
- All of these results were above National average – we couldn't be more proud!



**WE ARE SUPPORTING
HELLO YELLOW DAY
FRIDAY 9th OCTOBER**

Look out for the letter from Mrs Grainger children can wear something yellow or add a yellow accessory to their uniform (bobble, socks, hairband etc.)

DATES FOR DIARY

- WK BEG 5th OCT Y5 BIKEABILITY
- THURS 8th OCT 2.15 KS1 HARVEST ASSEMBLY
- FRI 9th OCT 9am KS2 HARVEST ASSEMBLY
- THURS 15th OCT FLU VACCINATIONS WHOLE SCHOOL
- FRI 24th OCT BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
- MON 2nd NOV RETURN FROM HALF TERM HOLIDAY
- WED 4th NOV – FRI 6th NOV Y4 CHET
- WED 11th NOV AFTER SCHOOL CLUB CLOSED
- THURS 19th NOV CHILDREN IN NEED DAY
- FRIDAY 20th NOV SCHOOL CLOSED FOR ONLINE PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS
- WED 25th NOV – FRI 27th NOV Y5 CHET RESIDENTIAL

COMMUNICATION FROM SCHOOL

A more environmentally friendly way

Whilst we wait for our new app to be up and running, we will be trialling a paper-free alternative to newsletter communication. As always, this fortnightly newsletter is on our website on a 'quick-link' on the front page, but rather than send a paper copy home we email it to you via the parentmail system (so the next newsletter will be emailed). Please ensure that we have an up to date email address for you. We will also put an enlarged copy of the newsletter in the noticeboard outside school.



HARVEST ASSEMBLIES

YR Y1 Y2 THURSDAY 8th OCT 2.15pm

Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6 FRIDAY 9th OCT 9am

Please note 1 adult per child and we cannot accommodate prams in the hall due to limited space. Thank you for supporting Water Aid and the local Food Bank with your donations.

STAFFING UPDATE

I informed you in the last newsletter that Mrs Maria Graham was covering for Mrs Freeman in the Finance Office on Wednesdays and Thursdays. We now have Mrs Du Coudray, who will be covering for Mrs Doyle on a Wednesday (many thanks to Mrs Doyle for giving up her Wednesdays whilst we were organising cover for her on her day off).

I am also delighted to inform you, that whilst Mrs Jones is absent, Mr Cleaver will take on the role of Acting Assistant Head in KS2. Mr Cleaver will be a great support to myself and Mrs Hargreaves – KS2 parents/carers, Mr Cleaver will be able to support you and your children if the need arises. **CONGRATULATIONS MR CLEAVER!**

ATTENDANCE MATTERS - FIRST WEEK BACK

CLASS ATTENDANCE %			
YR	97	Y3	96
Y1	96.9	Y4	96.5
Y2	97.5	Y5	95.5
Holidays of 5 days or more will incur a penalty fine.		Y6	96.2

Missing a few days of school here and there may not seem a big deal, but research shows that it can have a significant impact on children's learning. Children who miss a substantial amount of school fall behind their peers, and struggle to catch up. Most of the work they miss is never made up, which can lead to big gaps in their learning. Poor attendance often starts at primary school, and children who fall into this pattern are likely to underachieve at secondary school.

MELLING PRE-SCHOOL
CONTACT DETAILS

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BREAKFAST CLUB AND DOLPHIN (AFTER SCHOOL) CLUB BOOKINGS: MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE WITH PAYMENT

ALL BOOKINGS MUST BE MADE USING PARENTPAY – BOOKINGS CAN BE MADE FOR BREAKFAST CLUB UP TO 3pm ON THE DAY BEFORE A PLACE IS REQUIRED; BOOKINGS CAN BE MADE FOR AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BEFORE 2.30pm ON THE DAY

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



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