

# Melsonby Methodist Primary School Newsletter

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## Afternoon Tea

The weather was not with us for the planned Sports Day but it could not spoil the fun for Afternoon Tea. We had a delicious spread organised by the Friends of the School comprising of a lovely selection of sandwiches, scones with jam, strawberries & cream, cakes, juice tea and coffee. It was a really well attended event, from which £80 was raised, and thank you to everyone who came to join us. I would also like to thank the Friends of the School whose enthusiasm, time and commitment made it a very enjoyable and successful event.



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## Sports Day

On Wednesday afternoon we finally managed to hold our Sports Day and a super afternoon was had by all. There were a range of sporting events to compete in, including: the long jump, egg & spoon race, long distance races, sprints, football dribbling and throwing. We had a nail-biting final event, of bean-bag throwing to find the overall winner of which was Ellis Hepper.

Congratulations Ellis and well done to all of the children who participated.



## Melsonby Village Show

The organisers of the Melsonby Village Show which will be held on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, would like to encourage the children to put in entries for the show, especially the photography class. Details are on the village website [www.melsonbypc.com](http://www.melsonbypc.com). If you are away from the village on that date, you can ask a friend to bring your entries or leave them in the church, which is open during the day now.

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## Groundforce Days

We are looking for some willing or even un-willing volunteers to help us out on our Groundforce Days during the summer holidays. We are hoping to find people who can spare a couple of hours between 10.00am and 3.00pm over 3 days (August 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>) to undertake a range of task / jobs including: power washing, adventure garden maintenance and cleaning, external fence painting and general help & assistance (or lifesaving tasks like making some tea).

Anyone interested or able to come along on any of these dates and between the times (even if only for 1-2 hours - it's much appreciated) then please contact our newly appointed Chair of Friends of Melsonby School Scott Stewart by text, email or phone at 07841900169 / 07872829442 or [scott.stewart@firstport.co.uk](mailto:scott.stewart@firstport.co.uk). So please spread the word, come along and help and hopefully have some fun into the bargain.

## Year 6

Following a superb assembly lead by our remarkable Year 6 pupils I would like to say goodbye and the very best of luck at your new schools. Don't forget to come back and tell us all about your new experiences.



As the year comes to an end I would just like to remind you all of some of the things that will be happening in school from September 2015. We have appointed an enthusiastic teacher, Miss Watson, for Class 2. We have also taken on an equally enthusiastic teaching assistant apprentice, Miss Gibson, to start in September.

We look forward to seeing you at the quarterly Parent Forum meetings and do let us know of any topics you would like to discuss.

We have also organised for a Wider Opportunities Music scheme for the whole school, delivered by teachers from the North Yorkshire Music Service. We will also be offering a range of after school activities including the continuation of the very successful coding club (new members welcome).

As well as this we will be able to offer our peripatetic music lessons (keyboard, string and woodwind) and please let us know if you would like to sign your children up to one or both of these.

We will be working closely with an author at the beginning of next term and there are also, as mentioned earlier in the year, opportunities to work closely with Barton and Ravensworth on pupil centred activities.

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To close we wish everyone else who is moving on to a new school the very best of luck for the future. We hope you all have a safe summer holiday and that you return to school in September refreshed and raring to get started on the challenges ahead.

This has been an eventful year and we wish you all a relaxing and/or action packed holiday and look forward to seeing you fully refreshed and ready to face a new school year in September!

### Dates for Diaries

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September - Training day  
(no children in school)

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September - autumn term starts

