

Melsonby Methodist Primary School Newsletter

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Melsonby Digital Leaders Work

I would like to thank Paul Denning for giving his time to work with some of our children on their photography and digital imaging skills. Between them they have produced a super set of photographs which highlight the main areas of the school.

But we did not stop there! James Slater and Mrs Stansfield then worked together to produce a plan to organise the photographs onto a slide show. James then planned and wrote a narrative for each photograph and finally a catchy instrumental piece of music was uploaded to run during the slide show. The presentation was then uploaded onto the school's website. Please take the time to have a look.

Welcome to Curtis Southern

I know you will all join me in welcoming Curtis to our school. He will be starting with us after the half term holidays. Curtis will be joining Class 3 as a year 4 pupil.

Engineering Week

During this week the whole school have been involved in the design, manufacture and testing of vehicles. We have been assisted by Brian Rodgers, who is an engineer by profession, who has come into school to work with the children. Each class has a different design brief of working in pairs to make a vehicle. For instance the pupils of class 3 have to work to a specification which will allow their finished model to travel a distance of 3m including climbing a ramp. Many thanks to Miss Murphy and Miss Baites who organised the project and a special thank you to Mr Rodgers for sharing his time and expertise with us. We would also like to thank Melsonby Parish Council for giving us £300 to buy the resources for the project and giving us the initial information which alerted us to the Primary Engineers course.

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E-safety

There is an E-safety presentation organised for parents at Ravensworth at 4.00pm on Tuesday 24th of February 2015 and everyone is welcome.



Facebook

A new Melsonby School Facebook page has been constructed during the Christmas holidays so please have a browse. If there is anything that you think we can add to it please let me know. I would like to thank Mrs Jackson who gave some of her time and a lot of her knowledge and experience to assist in fine tuning our page for us. The page is **Melsonby Methodist Primary School**. You can also access the page from the school's website. There are more photographs connected with the trip on the schools facebook page.



Training Days

Please find the dates of the three remaining training days for this academic year as well as the usual dates for diaries. These dates are also available on the school's website.

- Monday 13th April 2015
- Monday 1st June 2015
- Monday 20th July 2015

MSA and Wrap Around Care Position at School

We currently have a vacancy at school for a midday supervisor and Wrap Around Care supervisor. This is for a few hours per week and if anyone is interested or knows someone who may be interested please contact the school for further information.

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After School Club!

• Monday – Dodge ball or Games Club

Choose to either join sports coach Scott for dodge-ball or play a selection of games in games club

• Tuesday – Netball or Art Club

You can join sports coach J.D to master your netball skills or express your creative streak in art club



• Wednesday – Arts and Crafts Club

Get crafty with a range of art and craft activities



• Thursday – Cooking Club

Bake a selection of delicious sweet and savoury snacks



• Friday – Games Club (3.30 – 4.30)

Have fun with lots of different types of games from board games to ball games and even computer games!

Regarding Monday and Tuesday clubs – please be aware that children cannot decide on the day which of the two activities they will be participating in. It must be stated at the time of booking if children will be participating in the sport activity or the alternative activity.

ACTIVITY SESSION £5.00 PER SESSION TIMES: 3.31- 4.30pm (only option Friday)

FULL CHILDCARE INCLUDING ACTIVITY SESSION £9.00 TIMES: 3.31-5.30 (Available Monday to Thursday)

New Dance Club

On Tuesday afternoons from 3.30pm to 4.30pm there will be a dance club. It will be held on the 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th of March. It will be run by Mrs Coleman who is an experienced dance teacher from Richmond. The club will be open to all ages.

Welcome to our new Governors

I would like to introduce you all to our new school governors. They are:

- Richard Slater Co-opted governor
- Candida Rodgers Foundation governor
- Malcolm Cundick Foundation governor

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome them to Melsonby School. We hope to see them regularly around school and hope they enjoy their time working with us.

Class 2's trip to Kipling Hall

First we went on the bus from our school. When we got on the bus I sat next to Ellis. After that we got to Kipling Hall and it was massive. But inside it looked like I was in World War 2. Then we went with a lady we looked at pictures and we made a letter for our mum and dad. After that we went up the stairs to the kitchen and we looked at the food that they had in World War 2. But before that we looked at the bathroom after that we went back to the hall and had lunch we had ham or spam we had to bring a pack lunch. But Eva, D and Ben had a school lunch. Then we went with a lady she was in World War 2 when she was 7. She told us about herself and her dad and mum and sisters and gran. She got a picture from King George the 6th and the lady photocopied it and we got one each. Then we went to the shop to buy stuff.

By Minnie

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Class 1's Trip to Kipling Hall

The children in Class 1 had a great time at Kipling Hall on Thursday. They spent their time looking at the differences between Victorian families and families of today. They also looked closely at Victorian toys and how they compared to the toys of today.



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Dates for Diaries

Monday 16th February to Friday 20th

February Spring half term

Monday 23rd February new term begins

Monday 23rd February Swimming for
Class 2 and 3

Wednesday 25th February - Peripatetic
Keyboard lessons in school

Thursday 26th February - Peripatetic
woodwind, brass and string music lessons
in school

Wednesday 4th March - Peripatetic
Keyboard lessons in school

Thursday 5th March- Peripatetic woodwind, brass and string music lessons in school

Monday 9th March Swimming for Class 2 and 3

Tuesday 10th March - Cross Country at Catterick (Year 3 to 6)

Wednesday 11th March - Peripatetic Keyboard lessons in school

Thursday 12th March- Peripatetic woodwind, brass and string music lessons in school

Friday 13th March - Red Nose Day (watch this space for further information)

Monday 16th March Swimming for Class 2 and 3

Tuesday 17th March - Parent's evening

Wednesday 18th March - Peripatetic Keyboard lessons in school and a 7 aside football
match against North South Cowton

Thursday 19th March- Peripatetic woodwind, brass and string music lessons in school

Monday 23rd March - Last swimming for Class 2 and 3 and Raise online training for
governors at 6.00pm

Thursday 26th March - Easter activities afternoon

Friday 27th March - Easter service at St James's Church at 10.00am.

