

Melsonby Methodist Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 12th February 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to begin this week by thanking you all for the warm welcome and support you have shown me over the past six weeks. I feel very privileged to have joined such a wonderful school with fantastic children, dedicated staff and supportive parents and community.

Celebrating the partnership between parents and school is really important to us and the feedback you have provided so far on remote learning has been crucial to the adaptations of our remote learning offer. We continue to reflect on our approaches and adapt practice where possible. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the survey this week.

Whilst the start of the year has been a challenging one for so many, I think it is important to take the time to reflect on the many successes of this term. Collectively, we have all risen to the challenges that Covid has thrown at us and have found ways to upskill ourselves with technology and the many complexities that go with this. Although you would think after nearly a year of the pandemic, we would all remember to take ourselves off Mute! Critical workers have continued to dedicate their time to keeping the country going. Parents and carers trying to do the impossible job of teaching their child at home whilst balancing their own virtual meetings and family circumstances have continued to show immense resilience. And these are just some of the achievements!

Children's love and enjoyment of reading has continued to thrive during this period of lockdown and it has been lovely to hear about the wonderful stories that have been shared at home and in school. The high-quality writing outcomes produced have been very impressive!

KS2 Residential Visit

As it stands, the Summer residential is still planned in for June this year. We are awaiting advice from the government on plans for the Spring and Summer terms. Once we have this information, we can then make an informed decision about whether or not this can go ahead. We will keep you updated.

Contact Tracing

During half term, school continues to play an important role in contact tracing for those children who have been attending school. If a child or staff member who has been attending school tests positive to coronavirus (Covid-19) within 48 hours of being in school, you will need to inform us so that we can advise anyone who has been in close contact to self-isolate. Please contact the school via admin@melsonby.n-yorks.sch.uk

We hope that you all have a lovely half term holiday and a well-deserved rest. Take care and stay safe!

Kind Regards,
Helen Robinson