



Mellor News

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Audio Newsletter

If you would prefer to listen to an audio version of this week's newsletter this can be accessed [HERE](#). The newsletter is read in both English and Gujarati.

Parking

Please can we remind all parents to avoid parking on the pavement outside the school or blocking residents driveways in the surrounding streets.

Free School Meals

Free School Meal voucher codes for **£25 for each child** to cover the Easter holiday period will be emailed out to eligible parents on Monday 22nd March. Please note all codes need to be redeemed to a voucher by **13th April** as they will be cancelled after this date. The voucher itself has a much longer expiry.

Test & Trace Support Payment

The Test and Trace support payment for people self-isolating as a result of a positive contact is now available and includes eligible parents/guardians of children who are asked to self-isolate by a school. Further details are available on the [council's website](#) and there is an [online form](#) for parents to complete. If you think you are eligible but require further support please contact the school office.

Census 2021

The census is a survey about all the households in England and Wales. The next census takes place on Sunday 21 March 2021. Everyone must complete the census and provide accurate information. It helps decide how services are funded in your area. You can complete the census online at [Census 2021](#)

Holidays during term time

It has never been more important to avoid taking holidays during term time. Children have missed a significant amount of face to face schooling already over the last 12 months. In addition, most overseas travel requires a period of 10 days quarantine on return to the UK adding to your child's time out of school. Therefore, we would urge all parents to avoid taking holidays in term time.

Help keep our school open

Do not send your children to school if anyone in your household has COVID symptoms or is awaiting test results. This reduces the risk of transmission, helps to keep our school community safe and avoids us having to send children home from school to self-isolate unnecessarily.