



Mellor News

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Working in Partnership

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Welcome Back and thank you!

We hope that your children are all looking forward to the new academic year! We want to thank parents and carers for supporting the school during this time of change. Please continue to arrive and collect children at the allocated time slots. It is really important to not be too early or late. We also ask that you continue to observe social distancing for the safety of all and again want to thank the large majority of our parents who are actively using the social distancing markings and one way systems on pathways.



Face Coverings

The Local Authority **are now actively urging parents to wear a face-covering when dropping off and picking up children from school.** The wearing of face coverings in congested areas and where individuals are unable to consistently maintain social distancing is seen as an effective measure to reduce the spread of the virus.

Term Dates

This term runs from Monday **7th September** until Friday **16th October**.
The October half term holiday is from Monday **19th October** until Friday **23rd October**.
Children are back in school on Monday **26th October 2020**.

Parent Welcome Meetings

Parent welcome meetings will be conducted remotely this year via Microsoft Teams. **Meetings will take place at 4pm starting the week beginning Monday 21st September.** Year group teachers will be emailing parents with details of how to log on to the meetings next week. We do hope you will be able to join us!

Mon 21 st September	Tues 22 nd September	Wed 23 rd September	Thurs 24 th September	Mon 28 th September	Tues 29 th September	Wed 30 th September	Thurs 1 st October
Year 3	Year 5	Year 1	Year 6	Nursery	Year 4	Year 2	Reception

Universal infant free meals

If your child has just moved to Y3 then they are no longer eligible for the universal infant free meal. If you wish your child to stay for school dinners, these are priced at £11.50 per week unless you are entitled to free school meals. If you think that you might be eligible for this then please apply online at <https://freeschoolmeals.leicester.gov.uk> or contact the school office.

Dress Code

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the dress code policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct dress code, and that it is clean and appropriate for the weather conditions. Head scarves and hair accessories e.g. bands and bows should also be plain and in school colours.

Shoes

Plain, black shoes or trainers (no white / coloured logos, markings, sole or flashing lights) and black indoor plimsolls.

Labelling clothes etc.

It is essential that you label or sew in a tag to your child's clothing and equipment. Lost property is full of unlabelled items which can't easily be returned to you.

P.E. Kits

Outdoor PE kit: jogging bottoms, plain white t-shirt and sweatshirt and outdoor trainers. On days when your child has P.E. please send them to school in their outdoor P.E. kit. They will stay in this kit all day.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
YEAR 1			✓	✓	
YEAR 2				✓	✓
YEAR 3	✓				✓
YEAR 4		✓	✓		
YEAR 5		✓		✓	
YEAR 6	✓				✓

Reception times will be made available once they have started.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring sleepers in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. No stud ear-rings please. We ask the children either to remove these objects during PE and games, or to cover them with a plaster. School staff are not responsible for the safe keeping of jewellery and cannot be held responsible if items go missing.

TikTok

We wanted to make you aware that there is a particularly nasty viral post going round on TikTok. The company are dealing with the situation and it should be cleared within the next few days. We do not recommend children use TikTok and encourage you to talk to your child about what they should do if they see something that is concerning or upsetting online.

Privacy Policy

Mellor Community Primary school is a data controller for the purposes of the Data Protection Act. We collect information about children and young people who attend Mellor and may receive information from your previous school and the Learning Records Service. The full policy is available on our school website.