



# Measham C of E News

## 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Love your  
neighbour as  
you would  
yourself.

Mark 12:31

Dear Parents and Carers



### Remembrance

Last week the children were reflecting on Remembrance- in class, children have learned about the events that led up to the war and thought about all those who have fought and died so that we may live freely today; they have thought about why we wear poppies and have decorated the school and their classrooms. On Thursday, the school gathered for a whole school assembly to show their respect with a two minutes silence, followed by the Last Post. We were privileged that one of our Y5 boys was able to play the Last Post and Reveille for us in school, a very moving experience. The children were a credit to their parents and to the school- with even our youngest children joining in. We sold out of Poppies this year- all the monies raised going directly to the British Legion Poppy Appeal. Thank you for your donations.



### Children in Need- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November

It's Children in Need on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November and we are asking for everyone to come to school in their Pyjamas or onesie for a £1 donation. As a school, we will be taking part in the Joe Wicks special live workout, 'Pudsey' will be out on the playground at break time for anyone who wants to do the 'Pudsey Mile', children can have a go at the 'Name a Bear' competition. This will be brought round to each class and we are asking for a 50p donation to have a go. A winner will be drawn at the end of the day. Each class will enjoy a story with Pudsey in the library. It should be a fun day, raising money for a great cause.



### Reading Volunteers

We would welcome back any volunteers who have a little bit of time free in their week who would like to come into school to listen to children read. Please contact the school office.

### Y5/6 Football team

Our football team have recently played two matches against other schools. We had a great win over Ellistown but unfortunately lost against Hilltop. We have our final match against Belvoirdale this week. Everyone has played brilliantly with great team spirit.



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## Christmas Celebrations!

With five weeks to go until the end of term, our thoughts are very much on celebrating Christmas with the children. Traditionally, the children in EYFS and KS1 perform a Nativity and we are looking forward to being able to do this again this year.



We are still planning to invite parents to these events, however it is very important to us that our families are able to enjoy their Christmas without running the risk of contracting Covid-19 a few days beforehand, so we will continue to monitor the number of local cases nearer the time.

The children will be performing 'A King is Born' on -  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – EYFS and Pre-School parents only  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – Y1 parents only  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – Y2 parents only

There will be 2 tickets per child for each performance. Please only attend on the correct performance. If you are unable to attend on the correct day, please contact the school office.

In order for all of our youngest children to be heard, it is preferable for younger siblings not to attend. Please make alternative arrangements for them if you possible can. Thank you!

## PFA

The Movie nights have been re-arranged so that Christmas films can be shown. Letters will be coming out this week for you to sign up.

Rather than having a Christmas Fair this year, we are going to celebrate the '12 days of Christmas' in the last couple of weeks of term. There will be something festive on each of the school days in December. The PFA are trying to raise money for our children without hosting a 'Covid super spreader'. We value your contributions and encourage you to support the PFA by joining in with as much as you can.

Activities include: Movie nights, children making Christmas decorations for you to buy, choir to sing on the playground, tombola, lucky dip, festive sweet cones, lucky number games and lots of other fun things!

If you feel that you are able to offer a hand to help with the PFA, please email [pfa@measham.leics.sch.uk](mailto:pfa@measham.leics.sch.uk). They always welcome extra pairs of hands, even if you aren't able to support with all of the events. Thank you!

The PFA are having a 'new introduction' coffee morning to welcome any new parents who would like to help, on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 8.45am in the mobile classroom. Please just turn up!

## School Holiday Closure for Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Schools have been given an additional bank holiday to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of the Queen- the official bank holiday is 3rd June 2022. As this is within the school half term, legislation has been passed to reduce the number of school days for 2021-2022 from 190 to 189. This is to enable relevant schools to close for the additional bank holiday (announced on 12th November 2020). The date we have chosen is **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July**. This means our school will finish for the summer holidays on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022** at 3.15pm.

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## New School hoodies

We have bought some new school red hoodies which can be worn on PE days only. They are very warm and comfy (so I'm told!). They are £15 for the smaller sizes and £18 for the larger ones. They can be bought from the school office. We just have a few of each size starting with 28" (suitable for Y1) to see what the uptake is.



## Apply for a Primary School Place

The deadline for applying for a Primary School place is **15th January 2022**. The simplest way is online at: <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools-colleges-and-academies/school-admissions>

If you need any further information, please call our school office.

## Covid

***If your child has symptoms they must get a PCR test and isolate until they get the result.***

***If your child is identified as a close contact via NHS Test and Trace, you should book a PCR. They do not have to isolate unless the PCR test comes back positive.***

During this time, we continue to have the following control measures in place:

- Ensuring good hygiene for everyone
- Maintaining thorough cleaning regimes
- Keeping occupied spaces well ventilated

We would encourage parents with any concerns to book a PCR test for their child.

If you have any questions about this or anything else, please telephone school or email [office@measham.leics.sch.uk](mailto:office@measham.leics.sch.uk)

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Sylvie Newman'.

Sylvie Newman  
Executive Headteacher

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## Diary Dates – New Term Dates are available on our website

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Forest School
	Y5/6 Football match vs Belvoirdale (Away)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	BBC Children in Need
	Y6 swimming (afternoon)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	EYFS Space Inspiration Day – more details to follow
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Y4 Forest School
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Y6 swimming (afternoon)
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Movie Night EYFS, Y1 and Y2
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Forest School
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Y4 Drumming Performance for parents 2.45pm
	Y6 swimming (afternoon)
	AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FINISH UNTIL AFTER CHRISTMAS
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity – EYFS and Pre-School parents only
	Movie Night Y5 and Y6
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity – Year 1 parents only
	Y4 Forest School
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity – Year 2 parents only
	Governor's AGM – all welcome
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
	Y6 swimming (afternoon)
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Movie Night Y3 and Y4
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Y4 Forest School
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas service in church at 9.30am
	Christmas lunch
	PFA AGM via Zoom – time TBC
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Pantomime in school
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Y6 swimming (afternoon)
	Break up for Christmas
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	School re-opens 8.45am

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