Melling St Wilfrid CE Primary School

For the love of learning, friendship and faith

March 2026

Dear families,
Welcome back for the Summer Term, we hope you enjoyed a lovely Easter break with your families. We are delighted to welcome Mrs Greenall to our team this term, she will be supporting children in our Infant class. We also welcome Mrs Parker back from maternity leave, she will be teaching the Infant class on Wednesdays/Thursdays & Fridays, Mrs Ablett continues to teach the class on Mondays & Tuesdays.
As always, we have lots happening this term so keep an eye out for updates via School Spider
Yours truly,
Fiona Ip

School Photograph Orders
Just a reminder that the closing date for orders with free delivery back to school is Sunday 19th April.

New Menu
Our new Summer menu starts next week, children will be bringing a copy home today.

Gem Winners
The overall Gem winners last term were the Blue & Yellow teams! Their prize is a non uniform day next Friday, 24th April.

Library Van
The Library Van will visit school on Friday 1st May.

PTA Update
The PTA have been busy coming up with fun events & ways to raise funds to help support the school with resources and experiences for the children.

Great news, we've registered Melling St Wilfrid's CE Primary School PTA with #easyfundraising, which means over 8,000 retailers will now donate to us for FREE every time you use easyfundraising to shop with them. These donations will help SO MUCH, so please sign up to support us – it's completely FREE and doesn't take long. Sign up here:
https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/melling-st-wilfred-ce-primary-school-pta/efg0dh/ca/1yUpvjwa/A2303/facebook

Swimming Lessons - Tuesdays
Children in all years continue to take part in swimming lessons on Tuesdays at Hornby pool.
We have a lot of boys changing at the same time & some of the younger children need a little help so going forward there will be a (female) member of staff in the boys changing room to help children if needed.

Summer Uniform
Children are invited to wear their summer uniform this term. Please could all children also have a sun hat & sun cream (named) in school, thank you.

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Boys
Grey shorts or long trousers White Polo Shirt
Burgundy V Neck Jumper
Girls
Red or burgundy & white striped/checked dress
Burgundy V-neck jumper or cardigan

Nut Free School Reminder
Just a reminder that we are a nut free school. Due to a member of staff having a serious nut allergy we ask that nuts are not brought into school. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

After School Club
Bookings for After School Club can be made in the 'Booking & Payments' area of School Spider.
Tuesday - Club - dance with Ashleigh
Wednesday - Club with Becky
3.15pm - 4.30pm
£3.00 per session / child

Isle of Man 2026
We are delighted to have secured the booking for the 2026 Isle of Man residential! This trip is open to children in years 5 and 6.
Monday 8th to Friday 12th June 2026

The School Day
8.45am - 3.15pm
Please ensure all children are here for a prompt start for the first lesson.
Children can be dropped off between 8:35 and 8:45 am and come straight into class. Before school childcare (no food served) is available every day from 8am and does not need to be booked in advance, just bring your child along. This is charged at £1.50 per child/day.

****PE****
This half term children will have:
Dance on Monday (PE kit not required)
Swimming on Tuesday (Y1 - 6)
PE on Friday (Reception - Y6)
PE kits can be kept in school for the week.

School Spider App
Please ensure you have downloaded the 'School Spider' app so you can make bookings/payments, complete surveys & permissions and receive messages from school. We use School Spider most days so it is important that you are able to access your parent account. Please contact the school office if you need any help logging in.

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Dinner Money

If your KS2 child has school dinners the cost from September is £2.70 per day.
If you believe your child is eligible for free school meals, please go to the Lancashire County Council website: Free school meals and pupil premium
All balances are now available to view and pay via School Spider. If you are experiencing difficulty paying your invoice, please speak to Rebeca in confidence.

Please check your parent account for outstanding invoices. Thank you

Absence Reporting & Attendance

Absences can be reported via School Spider
If your child is going to be absent from school please leave a phone message or email bursar@melling.lancs.sch.uk before 9am on the day of each absence. Absences can also be reported via School Spider. If a phone call/email is not received we will need to call you during the morning to find out where they are as part of our safeguarding responsibility. Please see our updated attendance policy on the school website.