

Mellis Church of England Primary School

Well, a busy term at Mellis - but then, they all seem to be! We've had a succession of special days and guests into school, as well as the continuation of some longstanding Mellis traditions. The whole School took part in the annual pancake races to mark the start of Lent - you can see the Year 1s giving it their all across the playground, and the medallists from Year 4!. On a slightly more stomach churning note, the Year 3s were also practising their mummification skills as part of their history topic; I am reliably informed that the child mummified on the table apparently made it thorough without lasting damage, and was even quoted to say that he quite enjoyed it. Each to their own...then came the snow, and an unprecedented school closure - the first time in 27 years! Not before we had good fun though, and you can see here the traditional igloo that the School builds when we get a decent load of snow. The previous headmaster even trudged across fields to join in and indeed supervise the construction! Once normality had returned, or what passes for it at Mellis, we then were in a position to ship our 'Pilgrim's Progress' artwork installation to Bury Cathedral for the Respect Lent exhibition. Aside from the regrettable fact the headmaster of the School had missed the requirement for it to be all in white (!), we were rather proud of it; every child from Reception to Year 6 contributed to it. On a sporting note, the Netball team covered themselves in glory with a place at the County Finals, and the whole School enjoyed the visit of an Olympic Judo athlete. The School also supported charitable events such as Sports Relief with a whole School sponsored run around the grounds, and of course World Book Day with a celebration of reading and some of the best costumes we have yet seen. Toward the end of term, the Year 4s attended an Interfaith Day at a local church, where they had the chance to meet, talk with and learn from representatives of many different faiths. Finally, the School also celebrated Science week with a special space day - we all had enormous fun taking a Virtual Reality tour of the Solar System. It was difficult to say who was more excited - the children or the staff!



Visit from Olympic Judo & Interfaith Day



Whole school sponsored run, School Netball Team - Gold Medallists and off to the County Finals! & World Book Day - Year 6 reading to Reception pupil



Pilgrim's Progress whole school art work at Bury Cathedral for Respect Lent exhibition & The snow - and traditional igloo building



Mummification at Year 3 & Annual Pancake races for Lent!



Easter service at church took place at the end of the term. The Year 3s did a mini-project on the Stations of the Cross, where they dressed up and re-enacted the 14 stations (15 if you include the Resurrection) and took photos. We used these in the service to have the whole School walk around the church following them in order, before having hot cross buns in the church yard.

