

Spring Term Number 2

Week ending
21st January 2022



Dear Parents and Governors

Learn – Achieve – Enjoy
“Exceptional Pastoral Care” (Ofsted, September 2018)

KEY DATES

24th-28th January – MATHS WEEK

Tuesday 25th January – Dress up for Digits Day

Wednesday 26th January – Buddy’s Key Challenge

HALF TERM Monday 14th – Friday 18th February

Monday 14th March – Parents Evening

Friday 1st April – Term Ends at 1.30pm

EASTER HOLIDAYS Monday 4th April – Monday 18th April

Tuesday 19th April – INSET DAY – Closed to children

Wednesday 20th April – FIRST DAY BACK OF SUMMER TERM



HEADTEACHER’S MESSAGE COVID

Please ensure that if your child tests positive for Covid (from a PCR or LFD test), that you follow the guidance you are given when you get their results. In the case of a positive LFD test, please remember to register their result with the NHS.

It is important that your child does not come back to school before they have completed the necessary self-isolation period. The most up to date government guidance regarding self-isolation can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-homeguidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

If your child tests positive, whether it be from a PCR test or LFD test, please let the school know, by telephoning the school office during school hours, or reporting it via our school email – info@morden.merton.sch.uk

We monitor the number of Covid cases in school and are required to report these numbers to Public Health England.

In school, the children are working in Phase bubbles, are regularly washing and/or sanitising their hands and are working in well ventilated areas, in order to try and minimise the risk of Covid spreading in the school community. Many thanks for wearing a mask when you come to collect your child; please continue to do this so that we can keep each other safe.

SPARE UNIFORM - NURSERY

We are currently running low on the following supplies within our spare uniform stock due to the high number of children still battling with toilet training - *boys’ underpants aged 3 and 4; boys’ jogging bottoms/elasticated waist trousers for ages 3 and 4.*

If you have any of these at home that your children have grown out of, we would be grateful if you could bring them to the school office to help replenish our supplies.

PHASE 3 (Years 4-6) TRIP TO POLKA THETRE

On Wednesday, Phase 3 children had the wonderful opportunity to watch a performance of 'Cinderella: the AWESOME truth' at the Polka Theatre. What a fantastic show! Based on the traditional tale, we learnt some important lessons about body image and social media watching Cindy, Ella, Prince Frankie and his best-mate Danny in a magical adventure through Mertonia. In the end, they defeated the trolls realising that we are all AWESOME just the way we are! We all had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed our trip. As usual, the children made us all very proud with their fantastic behaviour on the buses and in the theatre. A special shout out goes to Beatrix, Zara and Siana for asking such amazing questions in our Q&A with the actors at the end of the show.

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations this week's Learners of the Week

w/e 21st January, Week 3

CLASS	LEARNER OF THE WEEK		HIGH 5 – VALUE WINNER	
	NAME	REASON	NAME	REASON
Yellow	Kyra	For listening well during lessons.	Mason	Teamwork – for working well within a team in the construction area.
Red	Mason	For his amazing model of a 17 th century house.	Tommy	Challenge- always doing his best when completing his writing.
Green	Alicia	For consistently completing her home learning. Well Done	Shakil	Resilience-when learning new sounds this week.
Blue	Jaheim	For his hard work in improving his handwriting – it is making such a difference.	Matthew	Challenge – for enjoying a challenge in maths!
Purple	Tyler	For creating a vibrant design in Art, linked to the Artist Beatriz Milhazes.	Hareni	Responsibility – for taking full responsibility of her Home Learning tasks and completing them to a high standard.
Silver	Bill	For amazing use of figurative language in Literacy this week.	Jayden	Challenge – for producing a detailed, accurate and thorough bird sketch.
Gold	Jibrān	For a very impressive Greek Myth – writing with a great understanding of effective vocabulary and great phrasing.	Aarabi	Respect – in her contributions to our class discussions about positive mindsets and wellbeing.

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS – HAPPIER JANUARY

Happier January 2022

SATURDAY

1
Find three things to look forward to this year

8
Say positive things to the people you meet today

15
Get outside and notice five things that are beautiful

22
Plan something fun and invite others to join you

29
Say hello to a neighbour and get to know them better

SUNDAY

2
Make time today to do something kind for yourself

9
Get moving. Do something active (ideally outdoors)

16
Contribute positively to your local community

23
Put away digital devices and focus on being in the moment

30
See how many people you can smile at today

MONDAY

3
Do a kind act for someone else to help brighten their day

10
Thank someone you're grateful to and tell them why

17
Be gentle with yourself when you make mistakes

24
Take a small step towards an important goal

31
Write down your hopes or plans for the future

TUESDAY

4
Write a list of things you feel grateful for and why

11
Switch off all your tech at least an hour before bedtime

18
Get back in contact with an old friend

25
Decide to lift people up rather than put them down

WEDNESDAY

5
Look for the good in others and notice their strengths

12
Connect with someone near you - share a smile or chat

19
Focus on what's good, even if today feels tough

26
Choose one of your strengths and find a way to use it today

THURSDAY

6
Take five minutes to sit still and just breathe

13
Take a different route today and see what you notice

20
Go to bed in good time and allow yourself to recharge

27
Challenge your negative thoughts and look for the upside

FRIDAY

7
Learn something new and share it with others

14
Eat healthy food which really nourishes you today

21
Try out something new to get out of your comfort zone

28
Ask other people about things they've enjoyed recently

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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HUMMINGBIRD WINNERS – Well done!

Winners this week...

BRONZE: Effy
SILVER: Maida
GOLD: Sama
PLATINUM: Natalia, Elena
HUMMINGBIRD: Zara
BRONZE 2: Jayden P.



Hummingbird Team Point Chart: Spring 1 2022

Gold Class	Rufous	Comet	Zafiro	Xanthus	Firecrown
week 1 & 2	86	88	100	88	102
week 3 w/c 17th Jan	39	16	34	31	33
week 4 w/c 24th Jan					
week 5 w/c 31st Jan					
week 6 w/c 7th Feb	125	104	134	119	135

The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe

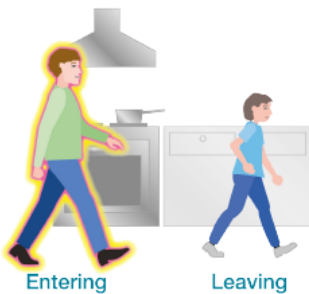
I have recently had the absolute pleasure of teaching in Year 5. For our Whole Class Reading text, we have been studying The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. This show is playing at Wimbledon theatre during the Easter break. Tickets are available to purchase on this website: [The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe Tickets | New Wimbledon Theatre in Greater London | ATG Tickets](#)



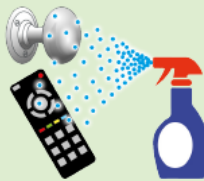
How to reduce the spread of infection with the people you live with if you have COVID-19.

If you have COVID-19, there is a high risk that others in your household will catch it from you. There are several things you can do to reduce the spread of infection in your household.

- 1** Limit close contact with others. Spend as little time as possible in communal areas.



- 2** Regularly clean frequently touched surfaces and shared rooms like kitchens and bathrooms.



- 3** Wash your hands regularly using soap and water, particularly after coughing and sneezing.



- 4** Get help where possible from those you live with. Ask for help with cleaning and being brought food safely to avoid unnecessary contact.



- 5** Use a face covering if you need to spend time in shared spaces.



- 6** Keep rooms well ventilated.



- 7** Catch coughs and sneezes in disposable tissues and put them straight in the bin.



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