

Autumn Term Number 11
 Week ending
 24th November 2023



Dear Parents and Governors

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

KEY DATES

DATE	EVENT
See the bottom of the Morden Messenger for all Christmas events and special days.	
Fri 1 st Dec	Oral Health workshop focus at coffee morning
Sun 26 th Nov	KS2 children perform at Wimbledon Winterfest – Time TBC
Weds 29 th Nov	Mufti Day – Dress up as a member of staff in return for a donation
Fri 1 st Dec	Oral Health workshop focus at coffee morning
Fri 8 th Dec	Mufti Day – Come to school in your Pyjamas in return for a donation
Fri 8 th Dec	Y5 Class Assembly

HEADTEACHER’S MESSAGE

This week the teaching staff participated in a training session at the Morden Baptist church. Many of the children know Johnathan as he runs a craft club at school on a Thursday and Friday at lunchtime.

As well as running a food bank (which requires a referral to receive a voucher – *please speak to Mrs Blow confidentially if you would like support with this*), the church also offer a free Merton Community Fridge service which can be accessed without the need of a Foodbank voucher.

These are held at the following times:

Wednesdays 4.30-6.30pm

Thursdays: 1.30-3.30pm

The following food is available for free: fresh produce, bread, dairy, fruit and vegetables.

Address: Grasmere Avenue, Morden SM4 5BL.

[Merton Community Fridge: feeding the borough and cutting food waste | Merton Council Newsroom](#)

The Morden Islamic Community Centre also runs a food bank called Food Relief _Food Relief is a food bank operating under the registered charity Morden Islamic Community Centre (MICC), with the support of Merton Council. We serve the most vulnerable members of the entire community regardless of background. [MICC | Morden Islamic Community Centre \(miconline.co.uk\)](#)



WELCOME BACK MRS DANAHER

This week we welcomed back Mrs Danaher who returns from her year maternity leave. Mrs Danaher will be part time until Christmas working across the school in Years 3-6 releasing teachers for their PPA time. In January 2024, Mrs Danaher will resume her post as Y2 Class teacher. Mrs Danaher is also the Phase 2 leader (Years 1-3).



SAY THANK YOU NOW

Send in your thank you message to an amazing teacher or member of support staff!

The Thank a Teacher campaign recognises ALL staff working in UK schools and colleges; school leaders, teachers, teaching assistants, and all support staff such as lunchtime supervisors, caretakers and cleaners. If you're feeling shy you can send a card anonymously!

Use the link below to surprise a staff member!

[Thank a Teacher Form - Thank a Teacher](#)

EYFS POLICE VISIT

Our EYFS classes had a very exciting visit this week. Two local police officers kindly came into school Tuesday morning and spoke to the children about their job; they also brought a police car along with them! The officers spoke about their role, their uniform and then invited the children to ask questions. The children asked lots of sensible questions such as "Do you help people?" and "When do you use the blue lights?". Everyone was very excited when the time came for the children to explore inside the police car. Thank you very much, officers! **Mr Marlow, EYFS Leader**



SAYERS CROFT

Last week, 27 children from Gold and Silver classes spent the week at Sayers Croft. They enjoyed so many wonderful activities while we were away, ranging from woodland ropes (a high-level trim trail with a zipline at the end) to natural art (creating beautiful creations from sticks, stones and leaves and other items found in the woodland). A real highlight were the hikes - both the reflector trail night hike and the surrounding area woodland hike which involved a bit of river walking! Everyone showed the Morden values of resilience and teamwork, which were key words for us all week long, and showed great progress in their independence throughout their week of outdoor learning. We also found time to write and perform some awesome raps to 'Make Some Noise' about anti-bullying week. What a great week!

PARENT PAY COMMUNICATION

Please can we remind parents not to hit reply on messages on Parent Pay. These do not go to the office and are therefore not received. Please send all email communication to

info@morden.merton.sch.uk

Thank you

This week our MUFTI Day was "Come as your hero." We had police officers, nurses, doctors, teachers, grandparents, parents, footballers, Disney characters, Superheroes etc etc

We would like to send a special shout out for one of our parents who got into the spirit of the day and dressed up for the children too! You looked fabulous!

Thank you everyone for supporting the PTA's fundraising efforts and we look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Fair on the 9th December!!!



HUMMINGBIRD WINNERS – Well done!

Hummingbird Winners for this week:

SILVER: Aayan

GOLD: Gabriell

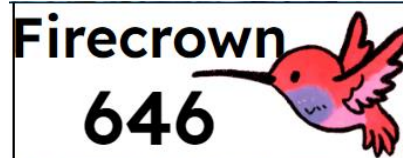
PLATINUM: Talvin, Alfie

HUMMINGBIRD: Yumna

SILVER 2: Cleo

SILVER 3: Hazel – AMAZING WORK Hazel!!!

This week's winning team:



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations this week's Learners of the Week

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CLASS	LEARNER OF THE WEEK		HIGH 5 – VALUE WINNER	
	NAME	REASON	NAME	REASON
Yellow	<u>Khaliyah</u>	For her creative owl after reading 'Owl Babies' this week.	Daisy	Resilience and challenge- when writing new words in phonics this week.
Red	Isaiah	For trying really hard during Phonics and remembering his 'Grow the code' sounds.	Myles	Responsibility – always being responsible in class.
Green	Viola T.	For giving great answers and constantly showing good presentation.	Teddy T.	Responsibility – For taking responsibility over his home learning including making a <u>snowglobe!</u>
Blue	<u>Dunya</u>	For engagement in lessons and clear explanations	Justin	Responsibility. For following instructions and being ready to learn.
Purple	Hannah	For answering questions using the correct scientific vocabulary, in Science.	Mason	For being the water bottle monitor at lunchtimes.
Silver	Huzaifa	For making an excellent effort to learn in maths this week.	Zafarullah	Teamwork – For showing lots of care and support when helping others in need at Sayers Croft.
Gold	Natalia	For a wonderful letter to Jared (group leader) after our week at Sayers Croft.	Tyler	Resilience – great progress in handwriting and presentation.

READING KINDLE WINNERS

Every child in Y1-Y6 who has 5 adult signatures Wednesday to Wednesday, has their name entered into a raffle. Three winners are selected in assembly to win our Kindles for a week. This week's winners are:

- **Y1 & Y2 – Myles**
- **Y3 & Y4 – Frankie**
- **Y5 & Y6 – Devonae**



Well done everyone and keep reading! **Miss Diamant, Acting Literacy Leader**

MATHS TIMES TABLE ROCK STARS CHAMPIONS

Each week in assembly, we celebrate children on the TT Rockstars leaders' board. Children in Year 2-6 compete in this competition. **All children In Y2-6 are expected to complete a minimum of 30 minuter PER week and this is checked every Wednesday ready for our celebration assembly on Thursday.** This week's winners are:

Improved Speed	Name
1 st	Justin
2 nd	Stanley
3 rd	Alfie

Improved Accuracy	Name
1 st	Olirini
2 nd	Taliah
3 rd	Justin

Most Correct Answers:	Name
1 st	Nomana
2 nd	Gabriell
3 rd	Adel



Well done everyone! **Mrs Green, Maths Learning Leader**

TEDDIES FOR SCHOOL

Do you have any teddies that need a new home? Next week we are collecting Teddies for our Teddy Tombola stall at our Christmas Fair. Team points will be given for any teddies donated. Thank you.



EASYFUNDRAISING – LINK ON THIS BEFORE ANY ONLINE PURCHASES – it doesn't cost you anything and the school gets a donation. It's our easiest form of fundraising!

Let's celebrate, it's
Donation Day!

Thousands of good causes have
been paid!

Morden Primary School - Surrey has
received

£67.91

easyfundraising has paid out over £1.3 million in donations this quarter.

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Morden Primary School - Surrey



Help us get November off to a great start for Morden Primary School - Surrey

by signing up to support us for FREE on #easyfundraising. You can raise donations whenever you shop online with over 7,500 brands including John Lewis & Partners, eBay, Argos, M&S and more. This will make a real difference to us during this busy shopping month! Plus, sign up today and you'll also give us an entry into their latest giveaway to win a BIG donation prize: <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/mordenprimary/3AO5CU/c2s/06CJMi03/CR054/facebook/>
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/mordenprimary/>

I am writing to you to ask for your help. I'm Laura Boylan, Programmes Leader at Merton Music Foundation.

Our Royal Albert Hall Concert

On the 11th March 2024 we will be taking 1500 Merton Children to The Royal Albert Hall. At this exceptional event, these young musicians from across The London Borough of Merton will present a collective performance entitled 'Change is Coming': a celebration of outstanding arts provision. We need your help to make this extraordinary event happen. Just opening the doors of this prestigious venue is a huge financial commitment for a small charity. This concert requires equipment, staffing, workshops and rehearsals. Your help will contribute to not only covering the necessary costs but ensuring that every note played and sung is a celebration of accessibility and inclusivity.

Your support is not just a contribution; it's an investment in the young people of Merton.

How You Can Help Us

We have developed this fundraiser to help with the costs of this amazing opportunity, but also to support our families in Merton. It is vital to us, that every child deserves to have their loved one in the audience watching them perform. Understandably, even the lowest priced tickets at The Royal Albert Hall may be a barrier for some families. It is our priority to make this as accessible as possible by covering some of the costs to allow for all Merton families to see their child on stage.

I'm asking for your help to spread the word! [Please click here to access our Crowdfunder.](#)

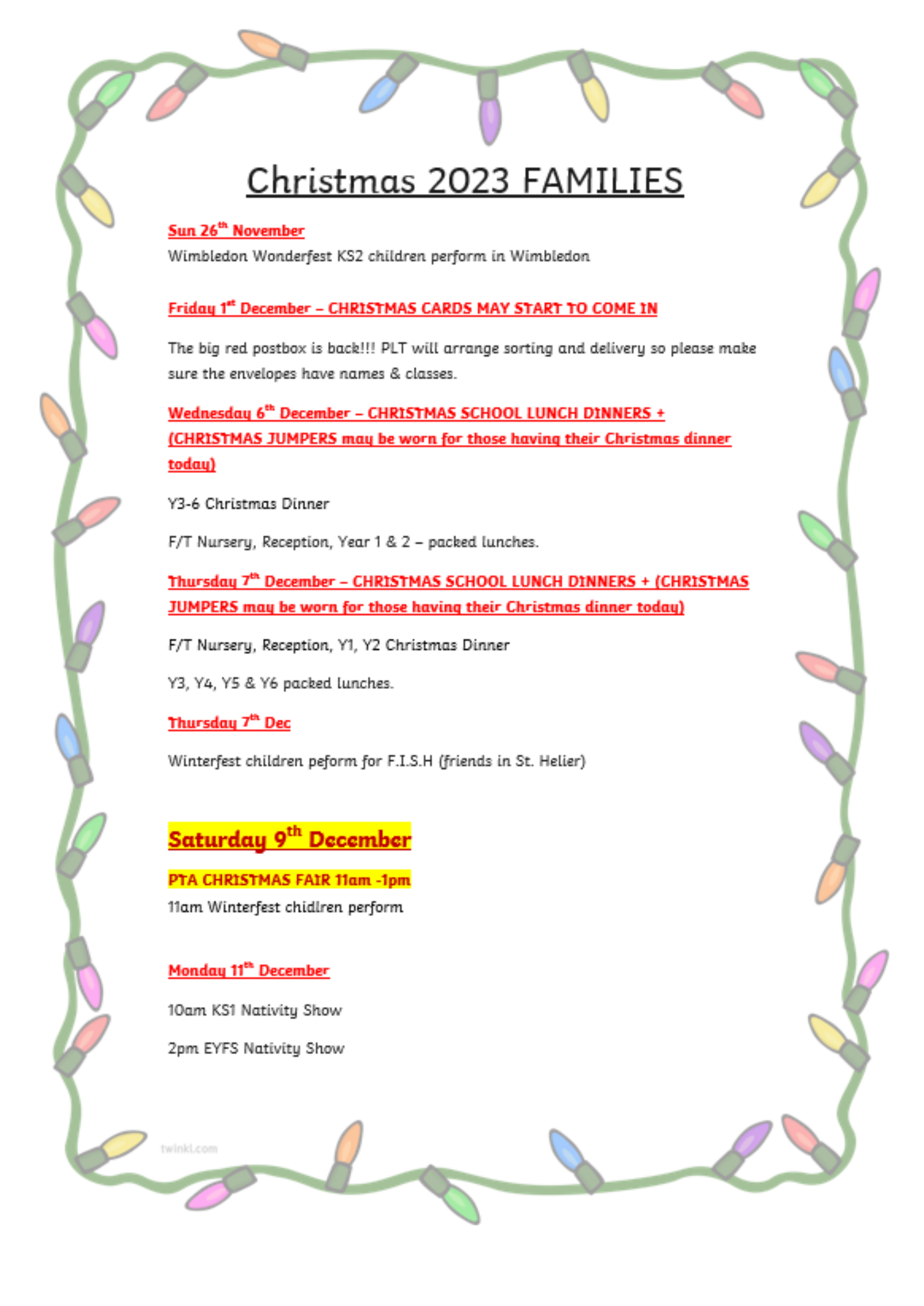
This has gone live today! I'm asking you to please provide any help and support you may be able to, and to share this in any capacity you have. This might be on social media, amongst your local connections, wider afield to colleagues or wherever you feel appropriate.

Team MMF really appreciate you taking the time to help not just us, but the families and young musicians of Merton. Any gift is greatly valued.

Thank you for supporting us to keep Moving Music Forward in Merton.

Mrs P. Blow, Headteacher





Christmas 2023 FAMILIES

Sun 26th November

Wimbledon Wonderfest KS2 children perform in Wimbledon

Friday 1st December – CHRISTMAS CARDS MAY START TO COME IN

The big red postbox is back!!! PLT will arrange sorting and delivery so please make sure the envelopes have names & classes.

Wednesday 6th December – CHRISTMAS SCHOOL LUNCH DINNERS + (CHRISTMAS JUMPERS may be worn for those having their Christmas dinner today)

Y3-6 Christmas Dinner

F/T Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & 2 – packed lunches.

Thursday 7th December – CHRISTMAS SCHOOL LUNCH DINNERS + (CHRISTMAS JUMPERS may be worn for those having their Christmas dinner today)

F/T Nursery, Reception, Y1, Y2 Christmas Dinner

Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 packed lunches.

Thursday 7th Dec

Winterfest children perform for F.I.S.H (friends in St. Helier)

Saturday 9th December

PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR 11am -1pm

11am Winterfest children perform

Monday 11th December

10am KS1 Nativity Show

2pm EYFS Nativity Show

Tuesday 12th December

10am EYFS Nativity Show

2pm KS1 Nativity Show

Wednesday 13th December

Christmas Discos

Rec - Y2 3.15 - 4.15

Y3-Y6 - 4.30 - 5.30

Thursday 14th December

Pm KS2 PANTO at Wimbledon Theatre - Cinderella

Monday 18th December

2pm KS2 Carol Concert at St Lawrence's Church

Tuesday 19th December

Nursery last day

Tuesday 19th December - CLASS PARTIES

Contributions of food will be asked from parents. We may even get a special visitor too!

Wednesday 20th Decemeber

End of term for all children 1.30pm

Best wishes

Mrs Blow

Headteacher

