

Autumn Term Number 6
Week ending
13th October 2023



Dear Parents and Governors

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

KEY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Mon 16 th Oct	Y4 at Wimbledon Bookfest
Tues 17 th Oct	Y5 and Y6 at Wimbledon Bookfest
Wed 18 th Oct	Winning Hummingbird Team has a MUFTI Day - XANTUS
Fri 20 th Oct	Show Racism the Red Card (Wear it Red) MUFTI
HALF TERM – 23rd-27th October	
Monday 30 th Oct	INSET DAY – Closed for children
Tues 31st October	Deadline for Y6 Parents to apply for a Y7 Secondary Place
Tues 31 st Oct	Spooky Maths Mufti Day
Thurs 2 nd Nov	Maths Dress up Day
Weds 8 th Nov	Mufti Day – Wacky Hair in return for a donation
Friday 17 th Nov	Mufti Day – Bring in a bottle
Weds 22 nd Nov	Mufti Day – Dress as your hero in return for chocolate
Weds 29 th Nov	Mufti Day – Dress up as a member of staff in return for a donation
Fri 8 th Nov	Mufti Day – Come to school in your Pjamas in return for a donation

HEADTEACHER’S MESSAGE

This week you may have noticed some scaffolding being erected around our infamous bell tower. Our school is the oldest in the borough. It moved to its current site in 1910, from its original site on Central Road (St Lawrence’s parish hall!). The Morden bell became a symbol of the school in 1910 and has been there ever since!
The recent storms in the summer term damaged some of the wood and the historical society granted permission for us to have it repaired. It would be great if we could get it to ring again, but this is unlikely. Please see some interesting history indicated below.



Morden Free School was endowed in 1718 under the will of Mrs Elizabeth Gardiner, and the endowment augmented by gift of Mrs Elizabeth Kirby in 1776 (Reports of the Charity Commissioners for Surrey 1809-1836). A committee of management for the school was established by the Vestry in 1818 but no records of this body are known to survive. By the latter part of the century, matters relating to the school seem to have come before the vestry as a whole, and in April 1878 the vestry

decided to introduce charges for education at the school: 2d per week per child (though a fourth child in any one family would not be charged).

The log books of the school declare, as their first entry, 'on this day the Morden Free School became ... the National School of Morden', but it is not clear when the school had first become affiliated to the National Society. It was the inception of charges, probably, rather than affiliation, which caused the change of name.

The school was organised in 1878 in separate boys' and girls' schools, each school catering for children of all ages. In 1883/4 however, the system of organisation was changed, to create an infants and a mixed school. The school remained in its ancient buildings, and under the control of the church, until 1910, when it moved to a new County Council provided building and became a Council School.

The current school building opened in March 1910 to replace the old school in Central Road which had become too cramped for a growing young population. The new school could accommodate 300 children. The Headmaster was Joseph Henry Rewcastle, his wife Head mistress of the infants' department. The couple had previously been in charge at the old school.

In the early 2000's when Merton reorganised its infant and middle schools, Morden became an all-through primary school as we know it now.

HUMMINGBIRD WINNERS – Well done!

Hummingbird Winners for this week:

BRONZE: Alek, Sagun

SILVER: Munira

GOLD: Lyla, Priyal

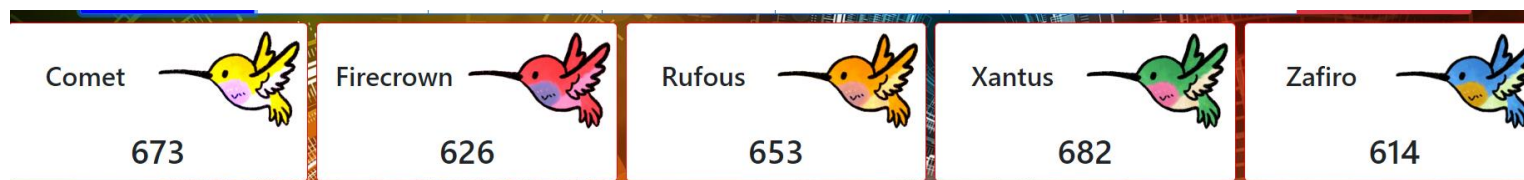
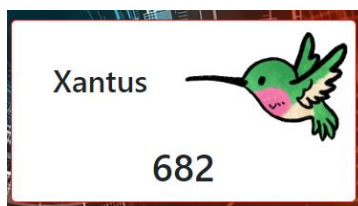
PLATINUM: Justin, Annabel, Freddie, Amy-Grace, Taliah, Alexa

BRONZE 2: Adnan, Davina, Zafurallah, Adam M., Zara A.

HUMMINGBIRD: Borislav, Areesha

HUMMINGBIRD 2: Nomana

This week's winning team is:



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations this week's Learners of the Week

CLASS	LEARNER OF THE WEEK		HIGH 5 – VALUE WINNER	
	NAME	REASON	NAME	REASON
Yellow	Sydney	For her amazing bear painting. Well Done.	Ciaran	Resilience-when completing his learning tasks. Well Done.
Red	Isla	For her fantastic description of Barnaby on her Lost poster. Well done, Isla.	Loida	Teamwork – being a kind friend to everyone in Red class, including the adults.
Green	Aveza	For learning and practising her routine at home for P.E.	Theo	For working independently when needed. He was able to spot several verbs!
Blue	Alec	For following instructions promptly in Science lesson.	Andrew	For being super brave when starting at new school.
Purple	Arthur	For explaining how an electrical switch works, in <u>Science</u> .	Charlotte	Teamwork – always seeing the best in everyone.
Silver	Callum	For making an excellent bread product in Design and Technology.	Prival	Teamwork – for supporting her learning partner in all subjects.
Gold	Eshan	For super effort writing in character in literacy.	Ryan	Teamwork – for making sure that everyone was included in group work.

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 – Maisie**
- **Y3 & Y4 – Cleo**
- **Y5 & Y6 – Eshan**



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. We have 3 leagues for Improved Speed, Improved Accuracy and Most Correct. Children in Year 2-6 compete in this competition. **All children across the school 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	Nomana
2 nd	Callum
3 rd	Elena

Improved Accuracy	Name
1 st	Elsie
2 nd	Amy-Grace
3 rd	Boe

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



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

Recycling week

Next week, we will have a specific focus on recycling during PSHE lessons. Classes will be discussing the importance of recycling and engaging in activities that highlight it's importance. Please do be thinking about how you can recycle at home. Feel free to use the link below to check out how you can engage with this at home with your child. <https://schools.recyclenow.com/resources/>

FREE HAF CLUB FOR HALF TERM FOR PUPIL PREMIUM CHILDREN

If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, Mr Smith will be running FREE HAF (Holiday Activity & Food) sports camps during all holiday periods at the school! [The next camp will commence this October half term from Monday 23rd Oct - Thursday 26th Oct.](#)

Merton have teamed up with Holiday Activities to deliver the booking facility for these clubs, and parents of Pupil Premium children will receive an email from HolidayActivities.com which contains links and information on how to book your child on to these activities directly online.

Spaces are being taken up very quickly so if you would like your child/children to take part, please book on via [HolidayActivities.com](#)

Cultural Capital

Today, a Physiotherapist, Katie, came into Nursery to talk about her job at our local hospital, St Helier hospital.

The children sat and listened very carefully as they learned about the role of a physiotherapist and how they help people. The children asked questions about patients, the hospital and shared their experiences of the hospital. The children were really excited when Katie brought out her stethoscope, we practiced saying the word together, and then took turns in using the stethoscope.



Mufti days (non-uniform)

Friday 20th Oct

- **Show Racism the red card**
- **Come to school wearing red in return for a donation**

Maths Mufti Days

- **Tues 31st Oct – Spooky Maths Mufti**
- **Thurs 2nd Nov – Maths Dress up Day**

Christmas Fair

- **Weds 8th Nov – Mufti Day**
Wacky Hair in return for a donation
- **Fri 17th Nov – Mufti Day – Bring in a bottle**
- **Weds 22nd Nov – Mufti Day**
Dress up as your hero in return for chocolate
- **Weds 29th Nov – Mufti Day**

Dress up as a member of staff in return for a donation

- **Fri 8th Dec – Mufti Day**

Come to school in your Pyjamas in return for a donation

AUTUMN TERM CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Throughout the Autumn term, each class presents a class assembly for their parents. These are held at 9am and entrance is via Door B (the carpark door) Please see below the dates each of these will be held:

Friday 20th October – Blue Class

Friday 3rd November – Green class

Friday 10th November – Gold Class (Remembrance Assembly)

Friday 17th November – Purple Class

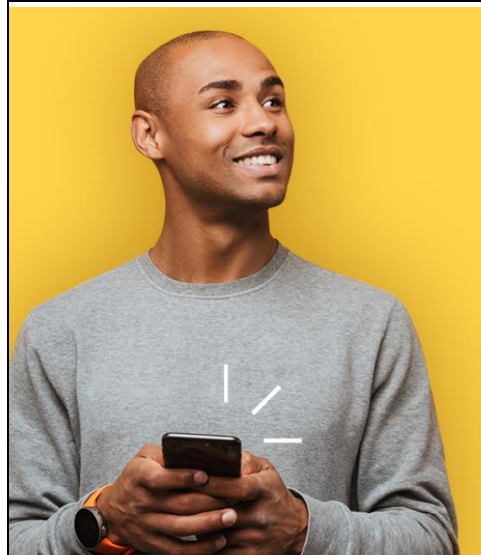
Friday 1st December – Silver Class

Reception will have an assembly in the Spring term to give them time to settle into Big School!

BLACK HISTORY MENU

To celebrate Black History our school caterers are offering a menu to celebrate this. If your child normally has packed lunch and would like this meal please email

info@morden.merton.sch.uk



GET STARTED

How to support Morden Primary School - Surrey

- 1 Sign up
Provide us with a few details to set up your profile with easyfundraising.
- 2 Download our browser extension
Our Donation Reminder plug-in pops up automatically when you shop to let you know when a donation is available.
- 3 Track your donations
You'll be able to see how much you've raised in your account and we'll send updates on when Morden Primary School - Surrey gets paid.

Sign up and support this cause

EASYFUNDRAISING – Please do sign up – it's easy. We only have 74 supporters at present.

Any time you use the internet for shopping, please consider using easyfundraising to help raise a BIG donation for Morden Primary School - at no extra cost to yourself! If you're not supporting us on easyfundraising yet, sign up here:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/mordenprimary/>

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RED
DAY²³**
SHOW RACISM
THE RED
CARD

**CHANGE HEARTS
CHANGE MINDS
CHANGE LIVES**

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**FRIDAY
20TH OCT**

#WRD23

Children's Events at WIMBLEDON BOOKFEST

12-22 October 2023

Scan to book



Ed Vere

Saturday 14 October 10am

Merton Arts Space at Wimbledon Library

The sword-winning and New York Times bestselling author and illustrator celebrates his beautiful new picture book *The Artist* in this colourful story time and live drawing event. Ed shares how he creates his characters and shows you how you can be an artist too.

Limited Offer

Merton Residents
CR4 CR7
SM3 SM4

Free tickets*

£2.50

booking fee

*Subject to availability



Sophy Henn

Saturday 14 October 11:30am

Merton Arts Space at Wimbledon Library

Step into the pages of author and illustrator Sophy Henn's playful picture book series featuring Lifesize illustrations of some of the world's smallest and largest animals. Learn some incredible facts and draw along with Sophy in this fun-packed, informative and interactive event.

**Appearances from
the Wombles!**



**The Marvellous
Myth Hunter**

Saturday 14 October 11:30am

Rutherford Theatre, Wimbledon High School

Love heroes, monsters and mythical tales? Then bring your best adventure outfit and join us for daring escapes, sword fights, weird creatures, interactive games and the chance to become an honorary member of The Myth Hunter Academy.

Venues: Wimbledon High School, Wimbledon Library & New Wimbledon Theatre

Book Now at wimbledonbookfest.org

ONLINE PARENT/CARER WORKSHOPS

Jointly run by Off The Record and Croydon Drop In

Join us online for the following workshops. Sign up via Eventbrite by scanning the QR code below. Cameras and microphones can be turned off.



Helping your Child's Behaviour (Primary age)

Wed 1st November 1-2 pm

Helping your Child with Anxiety and Worries

Wed 8th November 1-2 pm

Looking After Yourself for Parents

Wed 15th November 1-2 pm

Introduction to Autism

Wed 22nd November 1-2 pm

Introduction to ADHD

Wed 29th November 1-2 pm



Off The Record also run workshops for parents for support with **Self Harm** and **Emotionally Based School Avoidance** scan the QR code to the left to find out dates, times and how to sign up.



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Merton Hockey Club



Hockey for all ages and abilities since 1893!

Come and join us for free taster sessions and very affordable membership.

No need to pre-register and we have plenty of sticks you can borrow.

Just need a mouth guard, shin pads and a passion to play!



Juniors (10 teams for 6 to 16 year olds) – all welcome to any or all of the following:

Tuesdays: 5-6:30pm @ Harris Morden (SM4 6DU)

Thursdays: 5-6pm @ Raynes Park High School (SW20 0JL)

Saturdays: 9-10:15am (boys), 10:15-11:30am (girls) @ Harris Morden (SM4 6DU)

Sundays: Surrey League matches and friendly fixtures available to all

Adults (3 men's teams and 2 women's teams):

Thursdays: 8-9:30pm @ KCS Sports Ground (KT3 6JA)

Saturdays: London Area League matches and friendly fixtures available to all

Home Pitch: Harris Academy Morden, Lilleshall Road, Morden, SM4 6DU

Clubhouse: John Innes Recreation Ground, Cannon Hill Lane, SW20 9ES

For more details, contact Chris Walker on 07801 817808

or info@mertonhockey.co.uk or visit www.mertonhockey.co.uk



FOOTBALL TRAINING RECEPTION - YEAR3

BOYS & GIRLS INCLUSIVE SESSION

**EVERY WEDNESDAY
13TH SEPT - 18TH OCT (6 WEEKS)
4:15PM - 5:15PM**

**MORDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL
LONDON RD, MORDEN
SM4 5PX**

**£7 A SESSION
OR
£30 UPFRONT FOR THE TERM**

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 www.multisports4all.co.uk

 General Enquires: Msports4all@outlook.com



FOOTBALL TRAINING YEAR 4 - YEAR 6

BOYS & GIRLS INCLUSIVE SESSION

**EVERY THURSDAY
14TH SEPT - 19TH OCT (6 WEEKS)
4:15PM - 5:15PM**

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OCTOBER HALF TERM SPORTS CAMP AGED 4-11

There will be an additional £10 charge, per child, for an early 9am drop off

10am - 3pm

COST £50.00

Activities

- ✓ Football
- ✓ Dodgeball
- ✓ Basketball
- ✓ Arts & Crafts
- ✓ Swedish Handball
- ✓ Tournaments/Prizes

Mon 24th October - Thurs 27th October

Morden Primary School

London Rd, Morden
SM4 5PX

Registration Link
www.multisports4all.co.uk

More Information: 07568481994




Coffee Mornings



Come for a cuppa and a chat with friends and staff from the Wellbeing team

This is a great chance for you to talk about your children's daily routines or answer any questions you may have and to meet other parents.

There will be toys and activities available for younger children.

Don't forget our PTA sell our preloved uniform during coffee morning.

Everyone welcome

On Fridays in the studio between

8:45am until 10:15am



PTA EVENTS

On Friday 20th October our PTA will be selling **Spooky themed cakes** and **Spooky pocket money treats** to raise money for our school.



We would welcome any donations of shop bought or homemade cakes to sell.

All donations can be brought to coffee morning on Friday 20th October. Please remember to list ingredients if your donation is homemade.

Preloved Christmas Jumper Sale!

The PTA would love you to kindly donate your preloved Christmas jumpers, for a Christmas jumper sale in aid of the School's PTA fund. We are grateful to accept both child & adult jumpers in any sizes that you may have 😊



Jumpers will be sold during week commencing 20th November, each day in either the playground or the studio (should the weather catch us out!).

Grab a bargain! The sale will end on Friday at the weekly coffee morning, in the studio from 9:00am.

Start donating now! You can pass the jumpers onto the office, a member of the PTA or at the weekly coffee morning.

Mrs P. Blow, Headteacher

