

Summer Term Number 8
 Week ending
 14th June 2024



Dear Parents and Governors

Learn – Achieve – Enjoy

“High levels of pastoral support are at the heart of the school community.” (March 2024)

KEY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Mon 17 th – Fri 21 st June	Collecting 'Bric a Brac' for our Summer Fair – see list for items required
Weds 19 th June	Collection for Clothes bags collection day – PTA fundraiser
Thurs 20 th June	CLASS PHOTOS TAKEN
Mon 24 th – Fri 28 th June	Y6 Bikeability Course
Fri 28 th June	Bring in Finger Food for our Summer Fair
SATURDAY 29TH JUNE	SUMMER FAIR – 11.30am – 2.30pm
Weds 3 rd July	Y7 Induction Day
Mon 8 th July	Y6 class trip to Chessington
Tues 9 th July	Nursery Sports Day
Weds 10 th July	Rec – Y6 Sports Day

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE:

It's only two weeks until our annual summer fair and it's looking like it will be one of our best ever – hopefully we will have a day of sunshine for the event! Please start collecting up your 50p and £1/£2 coins to spend at the fair.



A lot of the stalls will be 50p-£1 a turn. Our food stalls will be priced between £2-3.50. Entry will be free for children under 11. Those over 11, including adults, will be a bargain entry of 50p. Most other local schools are charging £1 entry – so it's a BARGAIN to come to Morden 😊



Some of the stalls you can look forward to are: a Fun Run, a giant slide, a bouncy castle, the popular chocolate tombola (and for the adults a drinks tombola), Freemann's pocket money stall, a visit from Gerry the Giraffe from Sutton United Football and lots more! The weather is currently looking dry, so keep your fingers crossed for a sunny day.

The summer fair is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we use to money raised to buy all those extras for the children that are not available through the main school budget. As ever, we cannot do these events without your help and donations so thank you. On that note, we still have a couple of stalls that we need people to supervise. Can you spare an hour or two to help out? If so, please let the office staff know and I will be in touch. We have lots of ideas for new stalls, but without extra helpers, we can't run them. A huge thank you to all the staff members and parents who have already signed up 😊

HUMMINGBIRD WINNERS – Well done!

Hummingbird Winners for this week:

PLATINUM: Alessio



SUMMER TWO RESULTS SO FAR.....

Comet 255	Firecrown 302	Rufous 287	Xantus 228	Zafiro 260
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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 – Ellie**
- **Y3 & Y4 – Borislav**
- **Y5 & Y6 – Faraz**
- Well done everyone and keep reading!
- **Mrs Danaher, Literacy Leader**
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Improved Speed	Name
1 st	Yuliia
2 nd	Esa
3 rd	Cleo
Improved Accuracy	Name
1 st	Viola
2 nd	Danilo
3 rd	Kayleigh
Most Correct Answers	Name
1 st	Devonae
2 nd	Vihaan
3 rd	Aurora

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



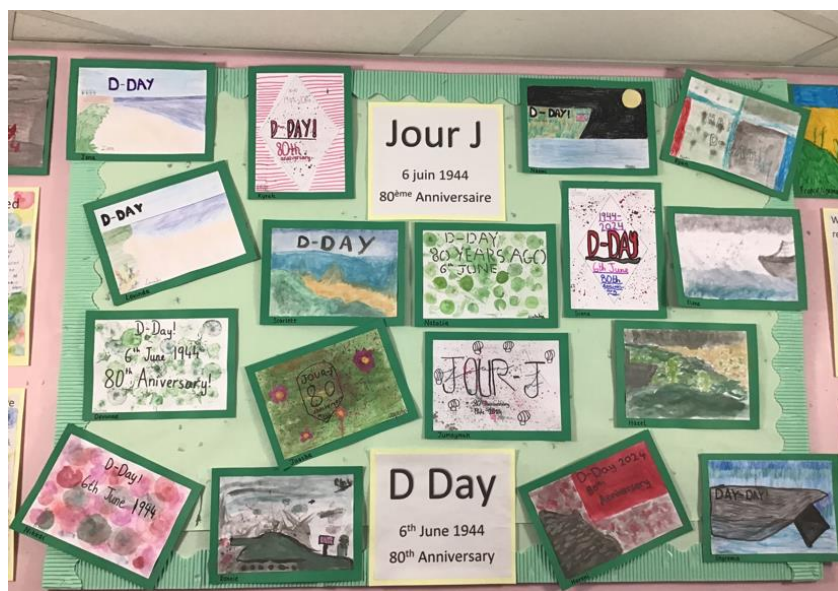
LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations this week's Learners of the Week

CLASS	LEARNER OF THE WEEK		HIGH 5 - VALUE WINNER	
	NAME	REASON	NAME	REASON
Yellow	Louise	Working so hard in phonics this week. What a superstar!	Harry	Resilience and Teamwork when working with a friend to build a train station.
Red	Jawad	For trying his best to complete all the work in class.	Red Class	Challenge – for being very focussed when completing the Phonics screening check.
Green	Green Class!	For their fantastic attitude during their tests this week.	Theo-James	Challenge – for always taking on a challenge in maths.
Blue	Lyla	For her dedication and enthusiasm in all writing lessons. <u>Well</u> done!	Joel	Respect-towards his friends and others. <u>Well</u> Done Joel!
Purple	<u>Shanbi</u>	For understanding the different ways to pay for things, in PSHE	All of Purple Class	RESILIENCE – for working hard during our tests.
Silver	Davina	For beautiful singing, performing her solo from the musical to the class.	Adam	Resilience – For showing a good stamina to keep going during our assessments this week.
Gold	<u>Nikkai</u>	For a fantastic opening to her modern-day version of Aladdin	Ronnie	Challenge – shown in our art workshop at The Wallace Collection

YEAR 6 D-DAY

Last week, Gold Class learnt about D-Day or Operation Overlord in WWII. This coincided with the 80th Anniversary of this event. We took part in a history discussion lesson, watched a newsround special and reflected on this moment in history. The children then created some wonderful artwork expressing their thoughts and feelings about D-Day and their creations are now on display in our cloakroom area.



YEAR 6 TRIP TO THE WALLACE COLLECTION

On Monday 10th June, Gold Class took a trip to The Wallace Collection - a beautiful collection of European Art. We enjoyed looking around the museum but most importantly took part in a workshop with Nicki, an artist who works closely with The Wallace Collection. We created our own landscape, inspired by the forests of France, the canals of Venice and the farmland of Belgium. As you can see, we have some very talented artists in year 6!

Mrs Torreiro – Y6 Class Teacher





ECO WARRIORS

Next week Friday, the Eco Monitors have planned a 'lights off' day at school to raise awareness of the importance of conserving energy. The Eco Monitors are continuously reflecting on ways in which we as a school can reduce our carbon footprint and take care of our planet. We are looking forward to a day at school with no lights on to reinforce this important message. A big thank you to the Eco Monitors for all their hard work this year raising awareness of the importance of being an eco friendly school!

Mr Marlow – Phase 1 Leader



CRICKET SUCCESS

This week, 10 pupils from year 5 and 6 travelled to Old Ruts to take part in a Merton cricket competition. The children had a smashing time, playing against 5 other primary schools in their group. Morden showed excellent batting, bowling and fielding skills to win three of their matches, draw one and lose one. They finished second in their group! It was really lovely to see how much fun the children had, and how quickly the really quick progress they made in their cricketing skills. Well done!

Mr Carrington – Assistant Headteacher



CRICKET TRAINING AFTER SCHOOL

Mr Carrington will be running after school sessions on Mondays (3.10-4.10) until the end of term. Please let the office know if you would like to attend

SUMMER FAIR RAFFLE

Raffle tickets for the Summer Fair are now available for purchase! This year, we have some amazing prizes, including a £75 Sean Hanna voucher, £50 One4all vouchers, tickets to Bocketts Farm, a family season pass for Sutton United, and many more. To order your tickets, please fill out and return the order form that was sent home in book bags this week.

MUSICAL TICKETS

This year's summer musical is "Super Stan," and performance tickets are now on sale! Our musicals keep getting better each year, and this one is going to be incredible. Don't miss out—order your tickets today from the school office.

CLOTHES COLLECTION

The PTA is putting together a Clothes Collection to help raise funds for our school. Bags went home this week but you can use any bag. Fill them up with any clothes and shoes you no longer need and bring them to school on Wednesday, June 19th in the morning. Please note that we can't accept donations before or after this date. Thanks a bunch for your support!

WHOLE SCHOOL PROJECT & EXHIBITION

Please look out for the letter sent home this week about our exciting home school project. Parents and families will be invited to view their projects as an exhibition at the end of the term.

When is it due?

We will be holding exhibitions for your parents/carers and therefore your projects **need** to be in school the week before –

Class	Project due in by	Exhibition to parents/carers	Time of exhibition to parents/carers
Nursery	Monday 8 th July	Friday 12 th July	11.15am/3.15pm
Reception	Friday 12 th July	Thursday 18 th July	2.50-3.10pm
Year 1			
Year 2			
Year 3	Thursday 11 th July	Wednesday 17 th July	2.45-3.10pm
Year 4			
Year 5	Monday 15 th July	Friday 19 th July	2.50-3.10pm
Year 6			

COMMUNICATION FROM SCHOOL

All communications from the school office are sent via email. To ensure you don't miss any important updates about your child or school activities, please check your emails regularly. If you have changed your email address, notify the school office immediately. Do not reply to emails sent through Parent Pay, as these do not reach the school office. For any inquiries, use the email address info@morden.merton.sch.uk.

WEATHER

Given the unpredictable weather, please ensure your child has a light coat at school, as children are allowed outside even in light rain. Additionally, continue to apply sunscreen to your child before school and make sure they bring a named hat to wear outside. With the high pollen count, if your child suffers from allergies, please ensure they take their allergy medication each day before school. Thank you for your cooperation!

NO DOGS IN SCHOOL

No dogs, even carried ones, are allowed on school premises or near any entrances.

MORDEN MARVELS – OUR NEW AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



The poster features the Morden Primary School logo at the top center, flanked by 'BOARD GAMES' and 'TOYS' icons. Below the logo is a red box with the text 'MORDEN MARVELS FEES'. Underneath, it states: 'Starting in September 2024, our new after-school club Morden Marvels will be available every school day until 6pm.' A green box lists 'Payment Options are:' with two bullet points: '£15.50 per session until 6pm.' and '£17.00 per session for all ad-hoc bookings (subject to availability)'. A yellow starburst icon says 'Free Sports Clubs Included!'. Below this are logos for 'ALWAYS', 'X', and 'M'. A blue box contains the text: 'Exciting News! Children enrolled in our after school club can now enjoy Mr Smith's sports clubs for FREE! To take advantage of this offer, simply book in advance through Multisports to secure a spot. hsports4all@outlook.com. All bookings have to be for the full term and are subject to availability. Please remember, you'll still need to book the after-school club separately. Please note that this offer excludes ad-hoc bookings. Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity for your child to explore various sports activities.' At the bottom, it says: 'To secure your place please complete and return a registration form to mordenmarvels@morden.merton.sch.uk'.



**Bike
Raffle**



**Bike Raffle tickets will
be on sale at the summer
fair for £2**

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10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

FAIR PLAY AND FRIENDLY COMPETITION

In school sports, fair play and friendly competition are important for character development. Fair play embodies respect and integrity while good-natured competition balances rivalry with camaraderie. This guide addresses powerful challenges – like the pressure to win – and offers practical tips on reaching a balance of fair play and cultivating a positive sporting environment for young athletes.

- LEAD BY EXAMPLE**
Parents, coaches and teachers should try to exemplify fair play. Demonstrate respect for opponents, coaches and officials. Celebrate friendly sportsmanship and behaviour. In competing to win, fair play with a powerful presence for teams to follow. Fair play is an end in itself.
- EFFORT OVER OUTCOME**
Encourage children to focus on giving 100% rather than winning. Praise and encourage an attitude of effort and care. This includes good effort, when the outcome is not the goal or achievement. Encourage children to be proud of their effort, not just the result. It also means the pressure to 'win at all costs', which can be a harmful attitude in some situations.
- SET CLEAR EXPECTATIONS**
Establish clear guidelines and expectations for behaviour before, during and after sporting events. Having a clear expectation of what is considered acceptable conduct helps prevent misunderstandings and promotes a positive, respectful atmosphere.
- HIGHLIGHT COOPERATION**
Emphasise the value of teamwork and cooperation in achieving success. Encourage children to share their experiences, both good and bad, and the team's responsibilities. Encourage children to work together towards a common goal. A strong focus on cooperation helps children to build trust and respect in sport.
- DISCUSS ACCEPTING DEFEAT**
Help children to understand that they will not always win. It's important to encourage children to be resilient and to learn from their losses. Encourage children to be proud of their effort, not just the result. Encourage children to be respectful to their opponents and to accept defeat gracefully.
- ENCOURAGE INCLUSIVE PARTICIPATION**
Encourage children to participate in sport, regardless of their ability. Encourage children to be inclusive and to support their teammates. Encourage children to be respectful to their opponents and to accept defeat gracefully.
- FOSTER CONFLICT RESOLUTION SKILLS**
Teach children how to resolve conflicts peacefully. Encourage children to be respectful to their opponents and to accept defeat gracefully. Encourage children to be inclusive and to support their teammates.
- TEACH RESPECT**
Emphasise to children the importance of respecting everyone involved in the game, regardless of the outcome. Respect for your teammates, opponents, coaches and officials helps to create a positive, inclusive sports environment where everyone can feel valued and appreciated.
- GIVE CONSTRUCTIVE FEEDBACK**
Offer feedback that focuses on areas for improvement rather than criticism. Praise what is done well and encourage children to be proud of their effort, not just the result. Encourage children to be respectful to their opponents and to accept defeat gracefully.
- CELEBRATE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP**
Praise children for good sportsmanship, not just for winning. Encourage children to be respectful to their opponents and to accept defeat gracefully. Encourage children to be inclusive and to support their teammates.

Meet Our Expert
Catherine is a qualified primary school teacher with over 10 years of experience. She has worked with children with autism and has a passion for helping them to reach their full potential. She is currently a member of the National College's Autism Specialist Group.

Wake Up Wednesday **The National College**

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Talk Autism is a forum for parents and carers of children, young people and adults with autism.

Next event
Monday 17 June 2024, 10am – 12pm

Location
In-person at the Chaucer Centre, Canterbury Road, Morden SM4 6PX

Merton Family Information and Support Hubs (FISH)

We will be joined by Early Help Support Co-ordinator Kavi & Silvia who will be giving advice and guidance to help parents to find and access the supportive information and services that you need.

The workshop will comprise:

We can help parents with any aspect of family life, including:

- ✓ Your child's development
- ✓ Behaviour and emotions
 - ✓ Relationships
 - ✓ Money
- ✓ Training or work
 - ✓ Benefits
- ✓ Finding childcare
- ✓ And more Our Early Help Co-ordinators
- ✓ Questions and answer session

The session is appropriate to parents and carers of children, young people & adults with autism.

Register now to attend this free session by contacting Maria Solari:

By email: maps_coordinator@mertonmencap.org.uk
Phone: 07709 715206

DANCE IN THE PARK



Get ready to celebrate! You are invited!

**Join us in celebrating Learning Disability Week 2024
& have some fun!**

**This activity is accessible to people with any ability
(including those with accessibility needs)**

Friday 21st June 1pm-2pm at Morden Hall Park

**Contact Maria Solari to register your free place on
community.engagement@mertonmencap.org.uk or call 07709 715206**



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**Do you love swimming? Dive into free swimming at one of
our three leisure centres!**



**All three Better Leisure centres, in Morden, Wimbledon and the Canons in
Mitcham, offer timetables of specific sessions each week when kids aged
16 and under can go swimming for free! Check out the timetables below
and find out your local slot!**

Canons Leisure Centre, Mitcham

- Every Weekend: 1.30-3.30pm
- Term time: Wednesdays 4-6pm
- School holidays and public holidays: Monday-Friday 9-10am and 1-3pm

Morden Leisure Centre

- Every Weekend: 1-3pm
- Term time: Monday-Friday 4-5.30pm
- School holidays and public holidays: Monday-Friday 9-10am and 1-3pm

Wimbledon Leisure Centre

- Every Weekend: 1-3pm
- Term time: Fridays 4-6pm
- School holidays and public holidays: Monday-Friday 9-10am and 1-3pm

**If swimming isn't your thing, scan the barcode to find
another sport near you! #findyourboroughsport**



Scan me!


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P. Blow, Headteacher