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This week our attendance was... 93.7%

Oh no – Let's get to 96%

3rd May 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Just a reminder that school will be closed this coming Monday, 6th April, for bank holiday Monday. School will reopen at 8.35am on Tuesday 7th April. Have a lovely long weekend!

Well done Eco-Club:

A special shout out by Mrs Lydon this week. As many of the children know, Mr Lydon hasn't been in school this week as he's been on Jury Service. However, Mrs Sunderland's Eco-Club have been little superstars and stepped up to the mark. The club have been out with litter pickers and collected 3 bin bags full of rubbish on the school playgrounds, the field and the MUGA. Well done Eco Club – we are so proud of you!

Peanut Allergies:

Could all parents and carers please ensure that children do not bring into school any food or drink item that contains peanuts. We currently have both children and staff who are allergic to peanuts and the presence of peanuts could cause a reaction that would require medical assistance. Thank you for your support with this as the safety of everyone is paramount.

Dodgeball:

This week it was year 3 and 4's turn to represent school so well in a dodgeball tournament. They matched the year 5's last week for being little superstars and showing great teamwork and sportsmanship. Well done #TeamMereside!

Staffing Changes:

This week we have had a few staffing changes in school. Mrs Walpole, our assistant head and safeguarding lead is unfortunately going into hospital next week and won't be back this academic year.

We are delighted that Mrs Thomas was successful at interview to be seconded into this role during Mrs Walpole's absence. Therefore, if you have any safeguarding concerns or need advice Mrs Thomas is the person to see/ask for and she will be happy to support you. Miss Delaney, who the children already know well, has been successfully appointed to take over the running of RT. At this time, Mrs Meeks will step up to become Early Years Lead.

And finally, this week's superstars are...

Nursery – Theo S for settling in really well and **Ram** for always showing interest in activities and using his words for the first time this week. Well done both of you!

RT – Arthur for fantastic listening and enthusiasm in PE this week and **All of RT** for being absolute stars and coping really well with the changes in class this week. Well done all of you!

RM – Victoria for really standing out this week for trying really hard during carpet time – Mrs Meeks has been so impressed! **Mason** for bringing his stories to life in his writing. Well done both of you, you are both shining stars!

1M –Rico for a fantastic start at Mereside and **Theon** for his fantastic work in maths

1/2G – Kaiden for a big improvement in his writing. **Amelie** for her efforts to improve her reading by using BugClub and reading her book more and **the whole of 1/2G** for really embracing the 'Eat well, move more' programme and for starting the daily mile. Well done all of you!

2B – **Alexis** for a fantastic effort and achievement in writing about Rossie the Engineer, **Skylah** for having a fantastic attitude in all areas and being a general superstar and **Jimmy** for an amazing first week at Mereside and settling into life in 2B. We are so proud of you all – Well done!

3B – Jayden for pushing himself to be more independent with his work and **Corey** for a massive improvement in confidence during class discussions. Well done both of you!

3/4D – Amelia, Eliza and **Aniyah** for being all round superstars all of the time. Well done both of you!

4FB – Jaxon for being a brilliant coach to others in PE and **Meka Rose** for a fantastic to learning this week. Well done both of you!

5W – Lucas for an astounding 3D model of the Titanic and **Nikkita** for being an all-round superstar and always being a model pupil. Well done both of you! **6HP – Lacey** for always coming into school with a big smile and a positive attitude and **Brianna** for always trying her best and being an excellent role model. Well done both of you!

6D – Leah for always having a smile on her face, being ready to learn and trying really hard. And **Jayden** for contributing all the time, working really hard and being resilient

A big well done to everyone!!

Upcoming dates for your diary:

(Please note this will be updated with new dates as the term progresses)

Monday 6th May – School Closed - Bank Holiday Monday Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May - Year 6 SATs Thursday 23rd May – Year 5 trip Friday 24th May – School Closes for half term at 3.15pm Thursday 6th June – Reception vision screening Tuesday 11th – Thursday 13th June – UKS2 Edinburgh Trip Monday 17th June – Start of Sports Week / Long distance run Tuesday 18th June – Sports Carousel Wednesday 19th June – Sports Day – All welcome – Early Years and KS1 am KS2 – pm Thursday 20th June – Year 3/4 Gulliver's World Trip Friday 21st June – House winners announced for sports week World Music Day Monday 1st July - Themed Week - 'Blackpool and I' Wednesday 3rd July – End of year reports to be sent home Thursday 4th July/Friday 5th July – Year 6 high school transition days Friday 5th July - Whole school moving up day to meet next years teacher Tuesday 9th July – Year 5/6 Production – 2pm Wednesday 10th July - Year 5/6 Production - 9.30am Monday 15th July – UK Parliament visit into school Monday 22nd July – Nursery Graduation Tuesday 23rd July – End of Year Awards Ceremony 9am – Invitation only Wednesday 24th July - Leaver's Celebrations after school Thursday 25th July - Leaver's Assembly - 9am School closes for the Summer Holidays – 1.30pm

Any questions or queries then please don't hesitate to ask; thank you for your continued support,

Ms S Upton Headteacher

Coming up next week...

Date	Event	Time
Monday 6 th May	SCHOOL CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY	All day
Tuesday 7 th May P.E. – 3B	Seasonal Crafts – Years 1 and 2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
3/4D 4FB 5W	Cheerleading – Years 1 and 2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
6HP 6T	25 times table club – Year 4	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Wednesday 8 th May	Mini Choir – Years 1 and 2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
P.E. – 5W 6HP 6T	Gardening Club – Years 3 and 4	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Thursday 9 th May	Games – Reception	3.15pm – 4.15pm
P.E. – Early Years	Bingo – Years 1 and 2	3.15pm – 4.15pm

3B 3/4D 4FB	Dance Club – Year 3 and 4	3.15pm – 4.15pm
ΠD	Choir – Years 3/4/5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Bench ball – Year 6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	SATs revision – Maths – Year 6	8am
Friday 10 th May	Football – Years 3 and 4	3.15pm – 4.15pm
P.E. – 1M 1/2G 2B		