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6<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,



***Happy New Year!***

*Everyone at Mereside Primary Academy would like to wish all our families a healthy and happy 2023!*

This week our attendance was...

**92.3%**

Oh no – let's get 96% next week!

**We're performing!**

We have now had confirmation that our School's Alive performance at the Winter Gardens will be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February. I know our School's Alive team have been working hard practising and they'll have a fantastic time performing on stage. Further details will follow soon.

**Mereside Movers "Music & Movement Session" at our Family Coffee Morning:**

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 9am – 9.30am in the Children's Centre, we welcome ALL Mereside Parents & Carers and their toddlers & babies (0 - 4 yrs) to join in with song, dance and stories. Lots of fun for all and refreshments available. We also have some chocolate selection boxes and our donated clothing and shoes to share!

**Mereside Community:**

Please see the attached timetable of what is on offer at Mereside's Boys and Girls Club, including dates and times for junior and senior youth club, warm hub drop-ins, messy play, sensory tots, bumbles and the grocery bus. Please make use of this wonderful resource we have on the estate.

**Ding-a-lings:**

Calling all those parents and carers with children between 0 and 18 months. From Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January a baby sing along will be starting in our Children's Centre from 1.30pm - 2.30pm. This will run for 5 weeks. Why not pop along and try it out!

**After School Activities:**

Our after-school activities will be starting again from Monday. You should by now have received a message on parent app to sign up to our activities, if you haven't, please contact the office who will be happy to help. We would really encourage all children to sign up to at least one club this term as it is a great

opportunity to mix with their friends (and make new friends!) in a more social environment.

### **SENDIASS:**

We have received the following email and attached the leaflet...

Please could we ask if you would kindly share our leaflet to families to advise of our SENDIASS drop ins, these will be running on 6<sup>th</sup> January and 3<sup>rd</sup> February 10am-12pm. All information is on the leaflet provided.

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

**Nursery – Roux** for good talking, good thinking and just for being an absolute superstar this week. Well done Roux!

**RT – Elissa** for fantastic effort with blending to read words and **Chloe** for always being so kind and helpful – Well done both of you!

**RP – Tommy** for being a constant ray of sunshine and **Isabella** for growing in self-confidence and always being willing to try something new. Well done both of you!

**1/2G – Baila** for having a brilliant week and trying particularly hard in Maths, Literacy and P.E and **Sophie** for being so resilient with her work, even when she is finding it tricky. Well done both of you!

**1/2R – Jenson M** for giving 100% effort every day, especially with his writing and **Harvey** for having a positive attitude in every lesson and for brilliant letter writing in literacy. Well done - you are both superstars!

**1/2M – Lanie** and **Enzo** for being superstars with an improved attitude and the making of good choices this week – Well done both of you!

**3/4FB – Jade** for settling into 3/4FB so well and having a fantastic first full week, **Isabella** for an amazing storyboard depicting the eruption of Mount Vesuvius and **Connor** for always taking pride in our classroom and school – Well done all of you!

**3/4P – Arianna** for fantastic planning of her DT project and **Luke** for a great start to this half term. Well done both of you!

**5/6HP – Gabriela** for having a fantastic attitude to her learning and **Lacey May** for always being a good friend to others and for being a positive member of our classroom. Well done both of you!

**5/6JP – Amelia** for fantastic engagement in all lessons and **Riley** for having a fantastic attitude towards his learning. Well done both of you!

**5/6W – Redin** for coming back with a great attitude and supporting others, **Ellie** for being a role model of participation and effort in her learning and finally the **whole of 5/6W** for brilliant class reading of 'The Man with the Yellow Face' in English. Well done all of you!

A big well done to everyone!!

### **Upcoming dates for your diary:**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January** – Family Coffee Morning – Children's Centre

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January** – Primary school admissions close for new reception 2023

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January** – SEND meetings all week

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January** – American Day lunch

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January** – 5/6JP Charity Fundraising

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**– Chinese lunch

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February** – Mental health and wellbeing week

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February** – Valentine’s lunch  
 School closes for half term at 3.15pm

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February** – School reopens

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** – World Book Day

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – Parents Evening

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March** – Comic Relief  
 St. Patrick Day’s lunch

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March** – Year 3/4 production 1.30pm

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** – Year 3/4 production 9.30am

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March** – Easter class swap

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March** – Easter competition day (Early years and KS1 – Easter bonnets; KS2 Egg decorating)

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March** – Easter Service – All welcome

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** – School closes for Easter at 1.30pm

Stay safe and thank you for your continued support,  
 Ms S Upton  
 Headteacher

**Coming up next week...**

Date	Event	Time
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January  P.E. - 1/2M 1/2R 1/2G	Bingo – Years 1/2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Choir – Years 3/4/5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Sing and Sign– Reception/1/2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Commando Joes – 3/4/5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Manga drawing – 3/4/5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> January  P.E. - 5/6HP (Double Session) 5/6JP 5/6W 3/4FB 3/4P	Football Club - Years 3/4/5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Recycled Marble runs – Years 1/2/3/4/5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Drawing Club – Reception	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Dance/cheerleading Club – Years 1/2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Reading Rebels Book Club – Years 5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> January  P.E. – 5/6JP 5/6W	Mini Sports – Reception	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Yoga Club – Years 1/2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Craft Club – Years 5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm

	Learn to Crochet – Years 3/4 Rugby – Years 5/6 Family Coffee Morning	3.15pm – 4.15pm 3.15pm – 4.15pm 9am
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> January P.E. – Early Years 1/2G 1/2M 1/2R	Schools Alive – Existing members only	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> January P.E. – 3/4FB 3/4P	Wood Work – Years 3/4/5/6 Tower Building – Years 1/2	3.15pm – 4.15pm 3.15pm – 4.15pm

# SENDIASS DROP-IN SESSIONS

**FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH**

**10 AM – 12 NOON**

**NORTH FAMILY HUB**

**GRANGE PARK CHILDREN'S CENTRE 31 DINGLE AVENUE**

**BLACKPOOL FY3 7NX**

The Special Educational needs and Disability Information, Advice Support Service (SENDIASS) support and empower you with the information and advice you need to make informed choices about your own, or your child or young persons special educational needs and/or disability.

**OUR NEXT DROP-IN WILL BE ON FRIDAY 6TH JANUARY 2023 AND WILL FOCUS ON:**

**SUPPORT APPLYING  
FOR YOUR CHILD'S  
SCHOOL PLACE FOR  
SEPTEMBER 2023**

**INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT IS  
AVAILABLE IN BLACKPOOL TO  
SUPPORT YOUR CHILD OR YOUNG  
PERSON WITH SEND**

**HELP TO UNDERSTAND SEN  
SUPPORT AND WHAT TO  
EXPECT FROM YOUR CHILD  
OR YOUNG PERSONS  
EDUCATION SETTING**

Blackpool SENDIASS Service work with parents, carers and young people to offer Information, Advice and Support on all aspects of SEN and Disability relating to children and young people aged 0-25... So why not join the Blackpool SENDIASS team to find out more!



**01253 477083**

Can't join us but need support? then contact a member of our team. Please be aware that during busy times you will reach our voicemail. Please leave a message and a member of our team will respond within 48 hours

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Blackpool  
**SENDIASS**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WARM HUB 9AM-1PM DROP IN FOR TEA AND COFFEE	WARM HUB 9AM-1PM DROP IN FOR TEA AND COFFEE	WARM HUB 9AM-1PM DROP IN FOR TEA AND COFFEE	WARM HUB 9.30AM-11.30AM DROP IN FOR TEA AND COFFEE	WARM HUB 9.30AM-11.30AM DROP IN FOR TEA AND COFFEE
	MESSY PLAY UNDER 5'S SENSORY TOTS 10.30-11.30 STARTING 17/01/2023 RUNNING FOR 4 WEEKS	10.30-11.30 STARTING 22/02/2023 RUNNING FOR 4 WEEKS		11-1 GROCERY BUS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO DO YOUR SHOP.
				11.30-1.30 BABY ROVER
				11.30-1.30 BUMBLES BABY AND TODDLERS UNDER 5 STAY AND PLAY SESSION
JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB SESSION 5.30-7.30PM IS YOUR CHILD 7 YEARS OLD AND IN SCHOOL YEAR 3?	JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB SESSION 5.30-7.30PM IS YOUR CHILD 7 YEARS OLD AND IN SCHOOL YEAR 3?	SENIOR YOUTH CLUB SESSION 6.30-8.30PM DOES YOUR CHILD ATTEND HIGH SCHOOL?	WARM HUB 3.30-5.30PM FAMILY DROP IN SESSION WITH TEA AND COFFEE	WARM HUB 3.30-5.30PM FAMILY DROP IN SESSION WITH TEA AND COFFEE