

MERE GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Making a difference'

Deputy Headteacher Update

What a fantastic way to end such a brilliant week in school. The support and care shown at our MacMillan event has been astounding and a true team effort in raising money for a cause so close to our hearts.

This week, we welcomed our reception parents/carers into school for our first phonics workshop of the year and what a success it was. The children are already thriving in their phonics lessons and are becoming familiar with routines of these lessons. We look forward to inviting year 1 parents/carers into school next week.

In assembly this week, we have been focusing on the British value, Tolerance. We have been exploring the demographic of Britain and in particular migration and key moments in British history such as Windrush. We have been celebrating the cultural diversity within our community and the benefits of living in a multicultural city. Why don't you ask your child about the benefits of living in a multicultural community? E.g. music, science, food. This is a great opportunity to discuss your family heritage with your child. You could use this an opportunity to research and explore a different heritage, culture or religion to your own and compare things that are the same and different.

I wish you a happy and safe weekend.

Lucia Thornton
Deputy Headteacher

Respect on School Grounds

We expect parents, carers and visitors to respect the ethos and values of Team Mere Green and to treat all members of the school community with respect using appropriate language and behaviour. It is important that parents and school work together to provide the best education and opportunities for all pupils but to also resolve and overcome any issues. I would like to remind you that we expect all school staff to be spoken to respectfully whether that may be in the office, on the playground or in classrooms.

Year 6 Walking Home

As we approach autumn and the darker evenings, children in year 6 are not permitted to walk home alone from after school clubs. This means that they must be collected by an adult over 16 years old if they attend an after school club or badgers.

Those children who have permission to walk home from year 6 children can continue to do so at the end of the school day at 3.15pm.

Dojo

A reminder that you should expect a dojo response within 3 working days. This is due to teachers being in class as well as running extra curricular activities after school and attending staff meetings. Thank you for your understanding.

European Day of Languages

On Tuesday we celebrated European Day of Languages by holding a special assembly. We shared why learning languages is important to us, and then we learnt some new words in different languages. Thank you to Jess for teaching us 1-5 in Albanian, to Norae for teaching us 1-5 in Japanese, to Zlata for allowing us to share her fantastic video teaching us new words in Ukrainian and to Miss G for teaching us how to say 'I love music' in Bulgarian. It was fantastic to hear such a diverse range of languages here at Mere Green. Well done to all who took part in our competition. The winners were Zlata in y5, Jess in Y4 and Amelie in Y3. Bravo!

| Class | Attendance 06/09/23- 29/09/23 | This Week's Attendance |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| RBM | ★99%★ | 98% |
| RD | 96% | 94% |
| LJ | 98% | 96% |
| 1M | 98% | 94% |
| 2S | 97% | ★99%★ |
| 2W | ★99%★ | 98% |
| 3B | 97% | 93% |
| 3D | 94% | 90% |
| 4H | 94% | 95% |
| 4S | ★99%★ | ★100%★ |
| 5P | 97% | 97% |
| 5S | 96% | 96% |
| 6H | 98% | 97% |
| 6HQ | 96% | 96% |
| 6L | 97% | 93% |
| Whole School Attendance (YTD) | | 97% |



MAD Award

Congratulations to this week's MAD nominees:




These children have been nominated by their class teacher for Making A Difference, this is either through demonstrating our school values or school rules.


Key Dates

Year 1 Phonics Workshop—3rd October 2023

Flu Immunisation— 4th October 2023

Year 2 Phonics Workshop—17th October 2023


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