

# MERE GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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'Making a difference'

## Deputy Headteacher Update

The festivities have officially begun at Team MG. Our fabulous choir performed at Lichfield Cathedral on Tuesday evening and filled the congregation with plenty of joy and Christmas spirit. Thank you to all of our parents and carers who came along to support the event.

Thank you for all your continued efforts to get children into school on time. I have noticed that some children are arriving after this time and whilst I appreciate the morning rush can be busy, I would be most grateful for continued efforts to get children in school by 8.45am. Classroom doors close at this time and any children arriving after this time will need to be signed in at the main office.

I am pleased to inform you that the KS2 hall floor has now been complete ahead of schedule is looking excellent. It will be great to welcome you in school in the coming weeks to enjoy our Christmas performances. Please note that all Christmas performances are ticketed events and bookings will go live this evening at 6pm. Each parent is entitled to 1 ticket and must bring their ticket along to the allocated performance.

Next week, our year 5 children are off on their residential to Aberdovey. I wish them a restful weekend ahead of an exciting week of adventurous activities.

A reminder that we have a training day on Friday 1st December and school is closed to all pupils.

**Lucia Thornton**

**Deputy Headteacher**

## Safeguarding

There is a going concern nationally around children's mental health. Talking about mental health to children is sometimes hard. To the point that we can put off raising the subject, not wanting to unearth problems or raise overwhelming subjects that we perceive our child is too young or not ready for. But rather than keeping children in the dark, we want to share some useful tips to help you talk confidently about mental health with your children so that feel comfortable talking about their own worries and end any stigma before it begins. See the poster below for more details.

Thank you to those parents who attended the NSPCC workshop last Thursday discussing online safety. It is vital that we work together to keep children safe online. For further support and guidance please follow the links below:

For general online safety:

For starting conversations about online safety:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>

For setting parental controls:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>

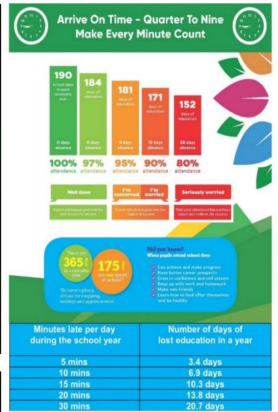
For Childline support with online bullying:

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/>

If you are worried about the safety or welfare of a child, then call the NSPCC helpline on [0808 800 5000](tel:08088005000) or email [help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk)



| Class                                    | Attendance<br>06/09/23- 24/11/23 | This Week's<br>Attendance |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>RBM</b>                               | <b>★ 98% ★</b>                   | 98%                       |
| RD                                       | 95%                              | 96%                       |
| 1J                                       | 97%                              | 97%                       |
| 1M                                       | 96%                              | 94%                       |
| <b>2S</b>                                | 97%                              | <b>★ 99% ★</b>            |
| 2W                                       | 92%                              | 89%                       |
| 3B                                       | 96%                              | 98%                       |
| 3D                                       | 95%                              | 94%                       |
| 4H                                       | 93%                              | 91%                       |
| 4S                                       | 97%                              | 94%                       |
| 5P                                       | 97%                              | 95%                       |
| <b>5S</b>                                | 96%                              | <b>★ 100% ★</b>           |
| 6H                                       | 96%                              | 93%                       |
| 6HQ                                      | 95%                              | 91%                       |
| 6L                                       | 97%                              | 98%                       |
| <b>Whole School<br/>Attendance (YTD)</b> |                                  | <b>95.5%</b>              |



## Christmas Fair—Donations

Donation dates:

**Wednesday 29th November - Teddies**

*\*We are still accepting chocolate, jam jar and bottles donations.*

## Key Dates

Year 5 Aberdovey Residential—Monday 27th  
November—Friday 1st December

Year 6 Nutcracker Trip—Thursday 30th  
November 2023


School Closed Training Day—Friday 1st  
December


## 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.


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