

MERE GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Head Teacher Update

This last week has certainly felt like the Summer Term, the sun has been shining, Sport's Day practice has been underway and we have been busy planning for the Summer Fayre.

Thank you to all of the parents who have signed up to support the Summer Fayre and Sports Day events, if you are able to volunteer a little of your time it would be greatly appreciated.

Kristal Brookes
Headteacher

Whole School Update

Area Sports Competition

Last week, children from Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 represented the school in the first Area Sports Competition in three years. The afternoon's events saw countless schools across North Birmingham compete in a range of track and fielding events. Our children were amazing; they showed excellent team spirit as they cheered on each other and approached their events with real determination and enthusiasm. Mere Green came 3rd overall in the middle sized school category which is a phenomenal achievement having not competed for so many years. We are so very proud of all of our children and incredibly thankful for all the parental support we had in making this event possible. We hope this will be the start of many more competitions and events to come across school.



Sports Day

The weather is looking promising for next week and so it looks like we are all systems go. Timings are still the same for next week with parents invited onsite for the morning events from 9:30-11:30 and then the afternoon races starting from 12:45 for Key Stage 1 and 13:45 for Key Stage 2.

If you plan to attend the day please ensure that you have logged your attendance so that we can cater accordingly.

<https://forms.office.com/r/JuiB4fPN3T>

Further details will be sent out next Tuesday to confirm your child's starting group and the itinerary for the day.

Big Issue Day

Please be aware that our last Big Issue Day, focusing on 'Identity' will now be on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th July. We have made this move in order to ensure sufficient time is given to this without compromising Sports' Day.

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Mere Green Summer Fair

Our summer fair is taking place this Wednesday 22nd June from 3-4.30pm on the KS2 playground. This will be a non-uniform day in exchange for a £1 donation which will grant entry to the fair.

Just a reminder a lot of our stalls at the summer fair will be cash only.



*most stalls are cash only.

Parent Voice - Tuesday 28th June (9am - 10am)

We would love for you to join us to reflect on the last academic year. The focus of the parent forum is to identify our successes and future development points. We will also discuss priorities for next year. If you would like to join this session, please email admin@meregrn.bham.sch.uk.

Staffing Update

At the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to Miss Wright. Miss Wright had taught in Key Stage 1 for the last 3 years, however she will be leaving us to relocate in Cornwall. I am sure that you will join me in wishing her the best of luck on her new adventure.

Mr Morgan will be leaving us on the 15th July. Mr Morgan joined us 6 years ago as a Sports apprentice and has been a member of the pastoral team for the last 4 years. Mr Morgan will be leaving us to begin a new career in car sales, we wish him the best of luck with his new job.

Classes

Next Tuesday we will share the details of classes and class teachers for next year along with the details of the transition events.

Year 6 Leavers Hoodie

Year 6 leavers hoodies are now available to pre order from SK Uniform at a cost of £14—£16.

Location:
44-46 Chartwell,
Tamworth
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New Staff Welcome

Mrs Haque

Hello there, my name is Mrs Haque and I will be joining the Mere Green Family in Year 4 this September.

I too, share your learning ethos and wish to encourage my pupils along with myself to Make a Difference within the school and wider community. Together we will learn, laugh and let our imaginations run wild!

Fun facts:

*Creativity runs through my veins and applying it within the curriculum is invaluable.

*I am familiar in five languages, as challenging myself is a true passion of mine!

*Finally, I believe being a class teacher is a two-way street. I pride myself in not only teaching, but also learning from you and everyone around me.

Being in school is a special chapter in every child's life and it's my absolute pleasure to be a part of your story!

Keep smiling and see you in September.
Mrs Haque



Mrs Harders

Hello everyone! I'm Mrs Harders and I will be joining Mere Green Primary in September. I'm originally from Sutton Coldfield but my 21 years of teaching experience, have taken me on a journey far and wide. Education is my passion and I strive to create lesson that excite but also challenge. I have held responsibilities for many subjects in my teaching career and I look forward to being the humanities lead at Mere Green.

Outside of school I enjoy running, travelling, exploring new places and eating out. This year I ran my 7th, 10km run but I'm hoping to run a half marathon soon. Having lived in east Asia, my cuisine of choice is always Asian fusion, with a spicy ramen always being at the top of my list! My final passion is cars. I've had the opportunity to take part in many track days and I'm really looking forward to attending the Goodwood Festival of Speed, this summer.

I'm really excited to part of the team at Mere Green and I'm already looking forward to September. See you all soon!



Mrs Sproson

I have recently completed my teacher training course at Mere Green School in Year 2 and I am very excited to be joining Team Mere Green permanently in September. I have my own two children, aged 7 and 8, who keep me busy outside of school. I graduated from University in 2004 but spent 17 years working in Sport, ranging from working in schools to being a member of a Senior Leadership Team for the Football Association. I have always had a desire to be a teacher and the home-schooling of my own children during lockdown sparked me to finally make the career change. I am thrilled to be starting at Mere Green School and look forward to meeting my new class and working with them next academic year.



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Miss Moss

My name is Miss Moss, I am a twenty-four-year-old teacher training student and I have just finished my Postgraduate Certificate in Education with the Arthur Terry Teaching School. As part of my PGCE, I have completed a placement with Year 3 at Mere Green. I have always been passionate about becoming a teacher, and I love feeling enthusiastic about passing on my knowledge to younger individuals. I love to see students learning and getting that real buzz when they are proud of the work they have produced. I am incredibly passionate about children pursuing their ultimate capabilities. My favourite subject to teach is English as I love to hear the creative flair that a child's imagination can bring to lessons. I want to my classroom to be a happy, welcoming, and safe place for all my pupils so I can really promote a love for learning. I am very excited to see all the wonderful things that we can achieve through our collaboration, mental strength and determination to thrive. I look forward to the positive year ahead with my first class at Mere Green.



Mr Gordon

My name is Mr. Gordon and I will be the Forest School Teacher. I have always loved teaching and have previously been a Year 2 and Year 6 teacher, for almost 10 years now. My favourite subject is Forest Schools so I am really looking forward to teaching this to the children at Mere Green Primary. I have taught in Burton, Walsall and Sutton Coldfield throughout my career at various schools. I recently got married in 2021 and I also have a 1 year old girl called Bonnie, we love walks in nature and playing in the park! I am also a big sports fan, I support Aston Villa (apologies to any Birmingham City fans).



Mrs Matthews

Hello, my name is Sarah Matthews and I am really looking forward to being a teacher at Mere Green in September.

I have been a teacher for the last 13 years and have experience of teaching in Reception, Year One and Year Two. I have a real passion for Early Years and early reading, and I enjoy seeing the progress and love of learning that children develop during the start of their education. It is a privilege to be a part of this.

You may have seen me around school before as I am also a very proud parent of two girls who are currently at Mere Green. I am really excited to continue my career as a teacher here and to support your children on their learning journey.

I'm looking forward to meeting you and your children very soon and being a member of Team Mere Green.



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Parking

Please can we politely request that you consider our neighbours when parking near school. There is ample parking available at Sainsbury's and Lidl, and the additional pedestrian crossings that have been recently installed makes it even safer to park and cross the Mere Green Road. Please be considerate of our neighbours with smaller car parks and leave their car park spaces for their staff and customers.

The school car park is strictly for staff, visitors, and authorised users. We are aware that some parents are entering the car park, via the open exit car gate, to park on site at school. Please consider the safety of other drivers and refrain from driving onto school site via the one way exit gate. Let's work together to keep everyone safe.

Thank you

Food Allergies

We have some children in school who have severe allergies to anything that contains nuts. Therefore, we politely remind you and request that children do not bring food items into school that contain nuts (including any 'Nutella' based products).



Reporting Absence

Parents are required to inform the school office by 8.45am if their child is absent by voicemail or email to:

absence@meregrn.bham.sch.uk


Dates for your Diary



Summer Fair	Wednesday 22nd June 2022
Recycling Day	Friday 24th June 2022
Parent Voice Meeting	Tuesday 28th June 2022
Sports Day	Wednesday 29th June 2022
Training Day	Friday 1st July 2022

Thank you for your continued support and for helping us strive to
'Make a Difference' to every child in school.

Mrs Kristal Brookes and Team Mere Green


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