

# MERE GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

‘Making a difference’

## Head Teacher Update

This week we have focused on ‘Wellbeing’ which has been an opportunity for all children to develop the knowledge, skills and tools to manage their own mental health and wellbeing. Wellbeing is a state of being comfortable, happy and healthy and activities this week have included opportunities to develop physical, mental and emotional health.

The NSPCC website has a range of information to help parents and carers support their child’s mental health. Here are some of their top tips for talking to your child about their mental health.

- Choose an appropriate time when others aren’t around or where you won’t be interrupted.
- Actively listen to how your child feels.
- Be patient and let your child talk in their own time.
- Make it clear that you support their child.

If you are concerned about your child’s wellbeing or mental health , please speak with a member of the Pastoral Team who will be able to direct you to the relevant support or maybe able to offer support within school.

**Kristal Brookes**  
Headteacher

## Apple Distinguished School

We are delighted to inform you that we have been awarded ‘Apple Distinguished Schools’ status. This is an incredible achievement, which recognises our continuous innovation in teaching, learning and the school environment.

*Apple distinguished schools are centres of leadership and educational excellence, that demonstrate Apple’s vision for learning and technology. Apple believe that these schools are some of the most innovative schools in the world!*

If you would like to find out more about our journey and vision please watch the short video:

Education Technology at Mere Green

We will be hosting a launch event after half term and further details will follow.

## 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.

## Parent Voice

During the summer term, we sent out a parent feedback form to gain your reflections on the school’s successes and areas for improvement. We collected 34 responses, these responses were very positive and identified a few things for us improve:

You Said	We Did
Communication could be better	Introduced Class Dojo to ensure that all communication was on one platform. This also provides all parents with the opportunity to communicate directly with class teachers and teams within school.
A consistency with the number of trips and visits across the school, allowing all children to access a range of trips.	We have evaluated our trips and visits offer and have ensured that all year groups get at least 3 trips per year and have included a range of residential visits in Key Stage 2.
A variety of after school clubs for all phases	We have created a termly overview for extra curricular activities. This has been shared on Class Dojo and further information is available on our <a href="#">website</a> .  50% of children are accessing an extra curricular activity.
More rewards and recognition	We have edited our rewards and recognition policy. A copy is attached.

## Attendance

The class with the highest attendance this week is:

Class 5H with 98%


The most punctual class this week was:


Class 1BM

## Key Dates



Event	Date
Year 1 Coventry Transport Museum	Tuesday 18th October
Individual and Sibling School Photos	Wednesday 19th October
Autumn Child Progress Meetings—Option 1	Wednesday 19th October
School Closed Training Day	Friday 21st October


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