

MERE GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

‘Making a difference’

Head Teacher Update

I can't believe that I am writing to you again so quickly. The weeks are certainly flying by and Christmas is now fast approaching. Christmas performance rehearsals are well under way and the children are working hard to learn songs ready for their performances which are scheduled for the last week of term. More information regarding tickets for the event will be on dojo this evening. Please note that following on from the newsletter which was sent on the 4th November, we have added some additional dates to ensure that all parents are able to attend a performance.

This week we were thrilled to welcome parents in for our remarkable doll drum and steel pan concert. I'm sure that if you were able to attend, you will agree that the children's confidence and ability throughout the concert was inspirational and we are extremely proud of the progress the children have made in music. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss G for her efforts in making this a success.

Teresa from Hope Food Bank joined our MAD assembly today and shared with the children how she is supporting families in need in our local area. We are delighted to be launching our reverse advent calendar next week and would welcome any donations that you are able to provide.

A reminder that school is closed on Monday and we look forward to seeing you back in school on Tuesday 29th November.

Lucia Thornton
Deputy Headteacher

Children's University

Last week, all children finally received their Children's University passwords and logins. Thank you to those parents that have already set their child up on their account. It's great to see some hours are being logged. All staff who currently offer before, lunch time and after school clubs are in the process of creating their groups so that children will start receiving stamps for the hours of enrichment they are doing in school. Can we please encourage you and your child/ren to approach other learning destinations (outside of school clubs) that they attend to also sign up? Please note, Mrs Haque has more postcards if your child needs them. Our goal is to have as many children as possible 'graduate' this academic year either at Arthur Terry School or at Birmingham University.

Big Issue Week

This week, our children have shown great maturity and empathy when exploring our current 'Big Issue' topic. In Key Stage 1, children thought deeply about how they could help to lower costs both at home and in school. Higher up the school, children in year 5 and 6 have been looking at the 'Cost of Living Crisis' and have tracked the price increase of key groceries and looked at the impact on families because of inflation. They were introduced to terms such as income, outgoings and disposal income and applied this knowledge to real life situations. We hope that you are able to further support these discussions at home and can see the value of children taking time out of their normal timetable to learn about these local, national and global issues

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.


Attendance

The class with the highest attendance this week is:


Class 5H with 98%

The most punctual class this week was: Class 6P

Key Dates



Event	Date
Reverse Advent Calendar	1st—16th December
Christmas Tree Decoration	Thursday 1st December

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