

# MERE GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

‘Making a difference’

## Head Teacher Update

This week is national storytelling week and children have been enjoying reading across school. We believe that reading is the gateway to future success and a skill that opens doors to endless possibilities. Our aim is to create a love of reading of all children and we ensure that reading is central to our curriculum. Why not celebrate National Story Telling Week by enjoying a story with your child, visiting the library or enjoying a fun reading activity together? I have listed some useful websites below:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/reading-tips/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zv48q6f>

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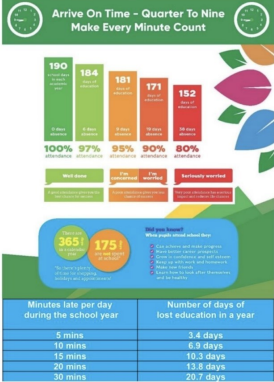
## Admin Team Update

To help reduce the number of phone calls that we receive during the school day, please can you send your messages through ClassDojo.

As the Admin Team are currently short staffed, please can you help alleviate the footfall into the Reception area and reduce phone calls unless they are urgent.

Many thanks for your support with this and a grateful thank you from the Admin Team.

Class	Attendance WC - 30/01/23
RB	96%
RM	94%
1M	93%
1BM	94%
2J	95%
2S	90%
3L	96%
3D	96%
4H	95%
4SB	95%
5H	★ 97% ★
5S	94%
6B	94%
6P	93%
Whole School Attendance	
94.4%	



## 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.

## School Day Timings

Thank you to all of the families who arrive on time each day. Gates open at 8.30am and doors open at 8.40am. The school day begins at **8.45am** and therefore doors will be closed at this time to allow a prompt start to learning. If you arrive after this time, you will need to sign your child in via the main office. Arrival after 8.45am will result in a late mark. We understand that at times you may run late due to unforeseen circumstances, you do not need to call the office to report late arrival.

The school day ends at 3.15pm. Gates will open at 3.05pm and you are welcome to wait on the playground until doors open at 3.15pm. Please ensure that your child is collected on time, we have recently seen an increase in parents collecting children after this time. If you are going to be late, due to exceptional circumstances, then please inform the main office at your earliest convenience. If you are late to collect your child, they will be supervised by the Badgers Wrap Around team until your arrival and there will be charge of £5 per child. If you require Badgers wraparound, please book via the usual channels.

## Key Dates

Year 5 Bikeability	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February
Year 6 Art Days	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> and Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February
Year 1 DT Days	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February
Safer Internet Day	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 2 Music Technology Workshop (Chrome Music Lab Experiments)	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February
Well being week (Children's Mental Heal	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February
4H Swimming	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February
Key Stage 1 Gymnastics Competition	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 5 Art Days	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February



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