Headteacher message

I have just had a visit from children who attended the Boccia sports event at the Canons Leisure Centre. They had such a great time taking part in a range of sporting activities. We have also had a wonderful week of dragon adventures across the school. Reception children have paraded around the school as a huge dragon scaring us all and have created some lovely pieces of writing linked to their dragon adventures. Nursery children have been writing their own books and I was lucky to receive a book covered in stars telling me all about night-time. Fantastic!

A gentle reminder if your child has taken a PCR and awaiting results, please do not send your child to school until you have received a negative result. A number of positive cases across the school have been asymptomatic, so please conduct LFDs regularly with your child/ren.



We actively discourage you from requesting leave during term time as it causes disruption to your child's education. Schools must follow the law in this regard and may only grant leave in exceptional circumstances if certain criteria are fulfilled.

The Pupil Registration Regulations (England) 2006 and the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2013 states:

Leave of absence can only be granted at the discretion of the Head teacher (this is **not an automatic right of parents/guardians**).

If extenuating circumstance arise resulting in you having to submit a leave of absence request you must include/attach all supporting documents to your request form. These could be:

Medical certificates

Death certificate of relative

Doctor's note indicating that a holiday will benefit the child as a result of a recent family trauma

Funeral invitation

Leave of absence request forms submitted without supporting evidence will always be unauthorised and could incur a penalty notice warning.





Dates for diary

Class Assemblies:

Week com:	class
24/1/22	Lotus
7/2/22	Jasmine
28/2/22	Рорру
14/3/22	Dahlia

Safer Internet day—Tuesday 8th February 2022

End of half term:

Friday 11th February 2022

Inset day: Monday 21st February 2022

Children return to school:

Tuesday 22nd February 2022

Attendance Stars!



Well done to the following classes for their attendance last week.

KS2 - Protea 99.1%

KS1 - Jasmine 97.1%

EYFS— Purple Butterflies 77%

Whole school- 89%

Our whole school target is 96%

Health and well being

Covid update

Changes to self isolation period for those wo test positive for COVID-19

Changes to self isolation period came into effect in England on Monday 17 January and applies to all positive cases, regardless of vaccination status.

People who are self-isolating with COVID-19 have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with an LFD test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. If this is the case, children can return to school on day 6 following a negative LFD test. Your LFD test results must be reported to NHS Test and Trace. The notification you receive from NHS regarding your negative LFD test results, should be shown to the school on your child's return.

If the result of either test is positive, self isolation must continue until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest. Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10-day period of self-isolation. Further information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19 is available.

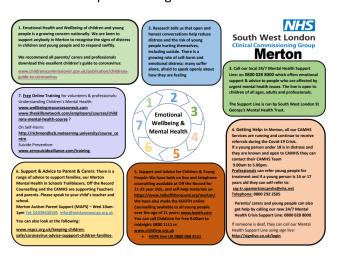
Merton offers a range of services to support both adults and children to maintain healthy physical and mental well being. Many families may well be experiencing trauma, financial hardship etc. during what continues to be a

difficult time. For more information about these ser-

vices visit Merton.gov.uk.



Please do not park in front of the gates outside of the school. Parking in this way compromises the safety of our children and other pedestrians as well as restricts emergency service vehicles access to our school if this was needed.



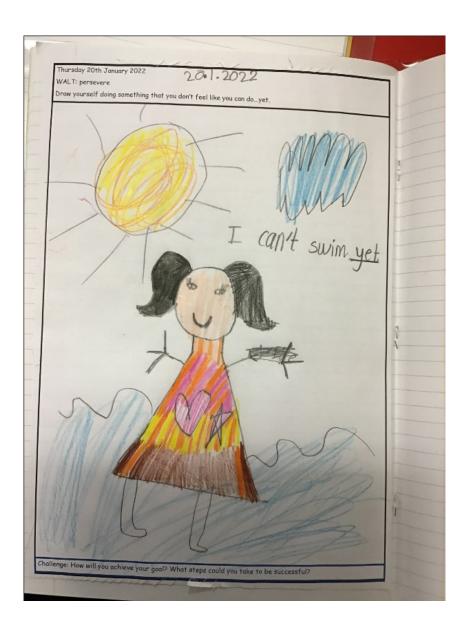
Time on your hands?

Volunteer at Bond

If you have any spare time to support the school with listening to children read, supporting children's learning in class or creating resources, please consider volunteering at our school. Forms can be obtained from the school office.

Key Stage One

In Year 2, we were looking at the importance of not giving up on a challenge in PSHE. We learnt that the word 'yet' is, in fact, a magic word and it makes things we can't do seem possible. We drew ourselves doing something that we can't do...yet but if we work hard at that, we will get better and eventually succeed!



Sports

MSSP Key stage 2 Inclusive Boccia Competition

Year 4 and 5 participated in a MSSP Boccia Tournament against other schools in the Merton TODAY, Friday 21ST January.



The group showed great sportsmanship and team work; they were cheering each other on and taking turns.

Fantastic bowling skills from Lena; she kept knocking the opponent's balls away!



They all worked so hard and received a certificate for participating.