

Headteacher message

We had the pleasure of welcoming the Mayor of Merton, Councillor Sally Kenny, to our school this week. In recognition of the hard work that those in education have provided during the last twelve months, the school was awarded with a certificate to acknowledge our 'committed dedication, professionalism and resilience' in educating our children during the pandemic.



Parent Review meeting

Next week we will be running parent review meetings. Please check your child's class dojo to ensure you know how to book your appointment. The meetings will be held virtually so you are able to use your mobile phone or other device to see and speak with your child's class teacher. Each session will last for 7 minutes and will automatically end when the time is up. If you have more than one child in the school, the booking system makes it easier to book appointments to avoid clashes.



Dates for diary



Week beginning 22nd March	Parent Review week
Friday 26th March	EYFS and KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade
Wednesday 31st March	Last day at school
<u>Thursday 1st April - Friday 16th April</u>	
<u>Easter Holiday</u>	
Monday 19th April	School reopens to all pupils

Secondary Schools

A reminder— If you wish to appeal against Merton Council's decision not to grant a place for your child at the community school of your choice you should visit the website below where the appeals process is explained:

<https://www.merton.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/admissions/school-admission-appeals>

Please note the deadline for appeal submission is 28 days after offer date.

Devices

We still have a high number of laptops and tablets that have not been returned to school. Please ensure that you return these items so that they can be used by pupils to support learning at school .



Your child must arrive to school on time.

Year group	Start time	Finish time
Nursery (all day)	08:30 (am session also)	3:30 pm (all day) 3:30pm(pm session)
Reception	8:45am	3:05pm
Year 1		
Year 2		
Year 4		
Year 6		
Year 3	9:00am	3:30pm
Year 5		

Birthday Celebrations

We have had number of parents ask about bringing in cakes/sweets for the children to have at school to celebrate a child's birthday. Cakes and sweets will not be given to children during the school day. Items individually wrapped or in party bags can be given out at the end of the day.

**Nut Free**

A gentle reminder that we are a nut free school. We are noticing items particularly in packed lunches that may contain traces of nuts. For some of our children, the slightest exposure to nuts could cause a severe allergic reaction.

NO PARKING

Please do not park or drive in our school's drive way unless you have permission to do so. In the event of an emergency that is the only vehicle access we have to our school site. It could be detrimental to a child or adult if emergency services were unable to get to the site due to parking of cars.

**EYFS AND KS1****EASTER BONNET PARADE**

**TIME TO GET CREATIVE!
BRING YOUR BONNET ON
FRIDAY 26TH MARCH!**

If your child is unwell

Please note the following absence period for specific sickness:

Vomiting	48 hours from last episode
Diarrhoea	48 hours from last episode
Chicken pox	until all vesicles have Crusted over

It is of the utmost importance that we have your full co-operation to comply with these recommended periods advised by Public Health Agency. This allows us to have better infection control within our school. It may be inconvenient for many of you however this is for the benefit of our entire school community.

Useful links

Information for parents and carers: coronavirus (COVID-19)

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/information-for-parents-and-carers-coronavirus-covid-19?utm_source=17%20March%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Useful website to support parents with managing family and work life during the coronavirus.

<https://www.parentkind.org.uk/Parents/Handy-resources-and-links-for-parents>

Year 4

In science, we investigated which liquid is the worst and best for our teeth. We used: water, cola, energy drink, vinegar, squash [very sugary] and milk for our test. We left the eggs for 48 hours. Once we look the eggs out of the liquid, we discovered that vinegar was the worst, because it corroded the shell all together. Then shell was porous and the egg could bounce. We concluded that vinegar would corrode our teeth in the same manner. The next in line was the energy drink, then cola and squash equally and milk and water are equally good for our teeth because it didn't do any damage to the egg shells.

The children thoroughly enjoyed this investigation and were able to write about it in their science books.

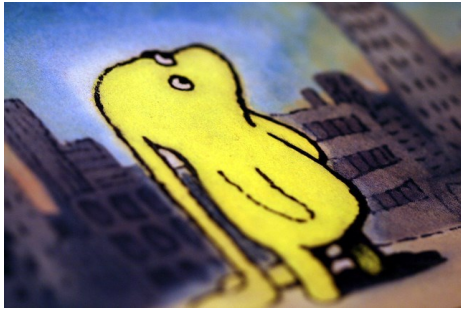


We created models of teeth, using marshmallow...

Here we are some photos showcasing our models and our healthy teeth!



RECEPTION



Both Orange and Purple Butterflies have been busy drawing beautiful pictures of Beegu, the alien who was lost from outer space. Beegu then came to visit Bond yesterday and the children helped her to talk about her feelings.

The children have also been working very hard consolidating their number knowledge of 10 by ordering the numerals, matching cubes and even Numicon!

All the adults are super proud of them all.

NURSERY

You may have noticed that we have been developing our outdoor learning areas in nursery and reception. Nursery children have been enjoying their new logs and campfire!



Year 2

Guess Who??



Year 2 have worked incredibly hard this week! On Friday we enjoyed our well-earned Golden Time out in the sun playing different games, reading books and drawing fantastic pictures. Our favourite game was "who's under the parachute?", where the children had to guess which child (or adult!) was hidden under the parachute. Here we have Miss Cook hiding underneath!

