

## Headteacher message

### EYFS open Day

A reminder for dates for open days for prospective parents/carers to our nursery and reception: Tuesday 10th and Tuesday 17th October at 9:30am. Please contact the office if you or someone you know would like to attend.

### Celebration Assembly

Today our assembly focused on celebrating learning in science. Children articulated very well the importance of learning about science and the impact that it has on our everyday lives. We have some budding engineers and archaeologists in our school. Well done to all of the children who received awards today. We're all very proud of you.

### Helpful Children

Bond is a diverse multicultural school and we are always welcoming to new members to our school community. This term has been no different as we have welcomed a number of new children to our school, some of whom have arrived from overseas and have very little English. I was really impressed by two children who were sent to me this week for the efforts they have made to support one of our new children. I promised I would mention them in our newsletter and would like to say a very special thank you to Abina and Abdullah in year 3!

### End of Day Collection

The school day finishes at 3:15pm for reception to year 6. We have had a number of children who have been collected late at the end of the school day without good reason. Please ensure that adequate arrangements are in place for the safe collection of your child/ren. Please note we do not allow anyone under the age of 16 to collect children below year 5 from school. If you have a child in years 5 or 6 and would like them to travel to and from school by themselves, please request a permission to go home alone form from the main reception.



### Dates for diary

Wednesday 4th October

Year 3 walk around the local area

Thursday 5th October

EYFS workshop for parents/carers

Friday 6th October

Police talk with Year 6—preparation for transition to secondary school and keeping safe

Tuesday 10th October

World Mental Health day—Wear Yellow

Wednesday 11th October

Year 6 Blues and Roots Concert

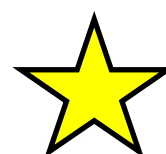
Friday 13th October

Girls Football Borough Championships

Monday 23rd October– Friday 27th October

Half term

### Attendance



**Classes with highest attendance:**

**KS1 :Jasmine 96.6%**

**KS2: Protea 99.1%**

**Whole School attendance—94.4%**

**Our attendance has fallen this week,.**

**Our school target is 96%**

# Attendance Matters



BOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

At Bond attendance and punctuality is paramount to the success of our children and is taken very seriously. Please be on time for school so your child can go to class with their teacher at 8:50am.

We have noticed that absences are higher on Mondays and Tuesdays. Please look after yourselves over the weekend so your child is well enough to come to school.

We aim to have a whole school attendance figure of 96% which meets the government's expectation.

## ABSENCES

We know that the Autumn Term means your child may become unwell with coughs/colds and other illnesses. Please remember to report absences before 9:30am, you can email your child's name and class to [Bondprimary@bond.merton.sch.uk](mailto:Bondprimary@bond.merton.sch.uk) or call the absence line on 0208 648 8757. Please remember to state a clear reason for the absence.

## APPOINTMENTS

Please try to avoid appointments in school time. We know that sometimes appointments are difficult to re arrange. Please try to make them as close to the beginning or end of the day as possible to avoid disruption to your child's learning. Remember your child can come to school before an appointment or return to school after if they are well enough.

VOMIT/DIARRHOEA – Children are to be off school for 48 hours from the last episode. Please do not send your child in before this time.

Your child's attendance and punctuality is monitored regularly and you may be contacted if there is a concern.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions or queries, please contact Miss Evans.

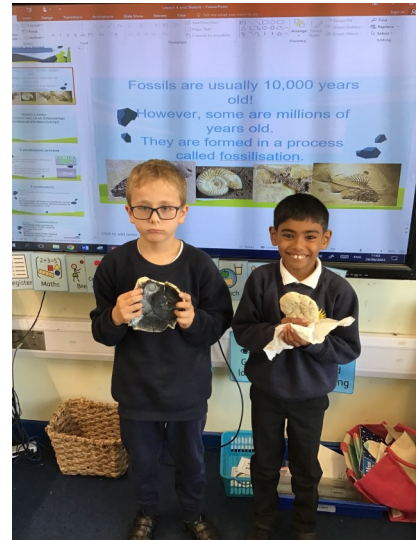


## OCTOBER HALF TERM

23<sup>rd</sup> October – 27<sup>th</sup> October. Please do not request any holiday before or after this time as it will not be authorised.

# Science

In Year 3 we have been learning about how fossils are formed. Some children have taken a keen interest in our topic this week and created their own fossils at home!



This week, Protea Class was a hive of activity! The children enjoyed many practical lessons, including Science. We have been learning about living things and their habitats. Here, we are classifying animals according to a classification key.



# Geography

Year 2 had lots of fun on Wednesday recapping the countries that make up the UK. We went out to the playground, where a map of the UK had been drawn on the floor and jumped between countries.

Then, we 'swam' through the Atlantic Ocean, the Irish Sea, the English Channel and the North Sea after locating them on the giant map!

