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Dear Parents,

It has been a lovely half term at school with the children working hard on their return to school. We are already looking forward to the next half term and have plenty of plans for exciting events and trips. I hope to be writing to you about opportunities for parents to come to sports days, see performances and view your child/ren's work and hope that the local Covid situation will allow it. I also know that the Friends have some fun activities in mind as well. [Please click here for the term dates.](#)

Covid-19 update

Thank you for making the new arrangements of drop off and pick up go smoothly this week. We think that it has worked well and will continue with the same arrangements after half term. Our usual arrangements for reporting Covid over a holiday remain in place. They are as follows:

- If your child develops Covid symptoms **within** 48 hours of the end of half term [by midnight on the 30th May], **please contact school** via email: parentsupportadvisor@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk
- If we consequently receive notice of a positive test we will then work with Public Health England to assist in identifying close contacts and will advise self-isolation of pupils and staff, where necessary. Please note that you could be notified up to 6 days after the end of half term.
- Where pupils are required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case **after** the first 6 days following the end of term, (*after 3rd June*), parents **do not** need to inform the school about their child's absence until the start of the Summer term 2.
- Please adhere to Government quarantine rules should you need to travel abroad. It is important that if you have travelled to an amber rated country you will need to self-isolate for 10 days as per Government guidance. Please let us know if this affects your child's return to school via parentsupportadvisor@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk

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Refurbishment

We are excited that the toilet refurbishment will start over half term; the boys' toilets will be first and the girls' toilets will be refurbished over the summer break. Earlier in the year we created a new room which we have called the Courtyard Room (as it overlooks Caitlyn's courtyard). We also had the Year 5 rooms decorated which look very smart. Here are a few photos.



The Courtyard Room



Year 5 class areas



Online safety app

Hopefully the half term will be sunny and everybody can get outside. However, children nowadays are online more than ever making it harder for parents to make sure that they are safe. We are recommending the following National Online Safety app for parents to support you. It has courses, videos, webinars and guides on topics that will help you protect children online. [Click here for the link.](#)

Exciting work

It will be great when parents can visit the school and see the work that the children have been doing, but in the meanwhile here is a small selection of work this last couple of weeks.

Here are some outdoor landscape pictures from Year 3 as part of their rainforest topic. They have used a variety of materials to create these excellent landscapes.

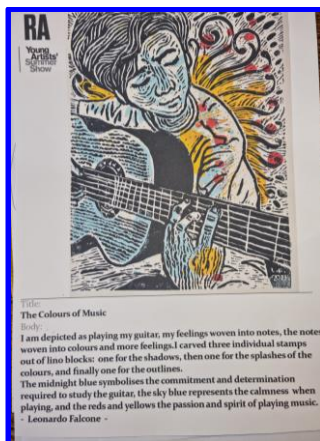




Year 6 recently used the school environment to inspire their writing.



Children recently entered work for the Royal Academy of Arts Young Artists' Summer Show and we have two children who were successful! Leonardo in Year 6 piece was a lino block painting of him playing the guitar entitled 'The Colours of Music'. Amelia in Year 5 had her stop motion movie 'Theseus and The Minotaur' selected which she wrote, shot and edited the whole thing herself!



Finally

It has been an exciting term which seems to have flown by since I have been the substantive Head. I have really enjoyed it and have been ably supported by the staff as well as the Senior Management Team including Mrs Ruffle, Mrs Newell and Mrs Adamson who have stepped up into the roles of Acting Deputy Heads.

I hope that you have a lovely half term; as usual we have **Mrs England's Drawing Class** if your child would like to do some drawing as well as **Mrs O's Cooking Class** if your child fancies doing some cooking. [Please follow this link to view the classes.](#)

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Ellis'.

Mr K.Ellis
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