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Dear Parents,

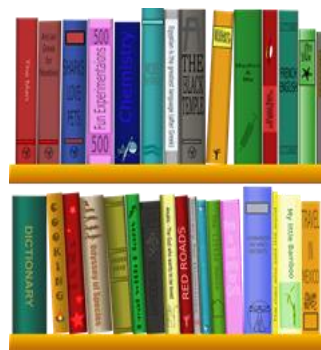
I hope that you all had a lovely and restful half-term break. We have an incredibly busy and fun packed term ahead leading to all of our Christmas celebrations and productions as well as the **Friends' Christmas Fair and Fireworks** on **Saturday 2nd December (3.00pm to 6.00pm)**.

SHARE MY LEARNING EVENING

Our **Share My Learning** evening is next **Thursday 16th November** from **3.45pm to 7.15pm**.

The evening is an opportunity for you to look at your child's books which will be on their desk in their classroom (the teachers will not be present).

You can come to school with your child anytime between 3.45pm and 7.15pm (the school will close at 7.30pm) and they can share their learning with you. There will be a small pro-forma for you to write to your child as a way of positive feedback for them.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK



Next week is National **Anti-Bullying Week** and we will be talking to the children about what to do if somebody is being bullied, differences between bullying and friendship conflicts and how difference is a positive thing.

The **theme** of this year's national Anti-Bullying week is **'MAKE A NOISE ABOUT BULLYING'** which runs from 13th – 17th November. We continue to develop children's positive relationships through assemblies, the regular PSHE curriculum and special events such as Anti-Bullying Week.

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We will have our **Odd Socks Day** on **Monday 13th November**, to mark **Anti-Bullying Week** and celebrate what makes us all unique. Children just have to wear an odd pair of socks into school!

CHILDREN IN NEED - FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER

It is also **Children in Need** day next **Friday 17th November** and we will be supporting this by having a **non-uniform day** (which can be spotty if children wish and for children with PE it can be a non-school uniform PE kit!). Families are welcome to send in a £1 donation and children are very welcome to wear Pudsey ears if they have them too.



Thank you for your continuing support with these events.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



In an earlier newsletter, I mentioned how we encourage all children to have excellent attendance as it brings enormous benefits to individual children. This week we received a congratulatory message from the Borough to say that, for children in Years 1 to 6 up to this week, our school's attendance is over 96%. We are in the **Over 96% Attendance Club!**

This is fantastic news, so thank you to our entire community for making this possible, it really helps the children in their learning. I hope that we can remain in the club throughout the year!

We are also, of course, wanting children to be punctual for their lessons; this term we have had 168 children on a total of 462 occasions arriving after the registers have closed. We realise that sometimes circumstances can lead to lateness (such as local traffic problems or unforeseen events at home) but if you do need any support or help with your child's punctuality, please email Mrs Dotchin at parentsupportadvisor@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk.

ALL THINGS MATHS!



Today, we launched **Times Table Rockstars** at school. This is a fantastic resource available for children in Years 2 to 6 to help them develop accuracy and speed with their times tables. Children should be able to recall times table facts quickly and automatically (without needing to work them out). We are currently running a school wide maths competition via the Times Table Rockstars website!

Please [follow this link](#) for the **Times Tables Rockstars Parent Pack** which is also in the Supporting Your Child tab on the [maths page of the school website](#).

BARVEMBER

A reminder that we are celebrating **BARVEMBER** throughout the month of **November** again at school. **BARVEMBER** is organised to encourage everyone to use the **bar model** which is a useful tool for helping children visualise and then solve maths problems.

At school, we are running **BARVEMBER** clubs every Thursday lunchtime for Years 2 to 6 - more information can be found in the [Maths Newsletter](#) from Miss Bialkowski and Miss Boyt.

The [latest newsletter](#) contains lots of exciting maths news, challenges and information as well as the answers to the challenges in the last newsletter! [Previous newsletters can be found here](#).

ALL THINGS ECO!

You may remember earlier in the term that I informed you that the Eco Reps (and Ms Read) earned the **Eco-Schools Green Flag with Distinction**. We are very proud of this accolade especially as all things Eco are very important to the children. [We have now received our certificate](#) which we will proudly display in school!



Please also remember that the Eco Reps sent out information on the Parent App about **Cut Your Carbon month (November)** with a checklist of great things families can try at home to cut carbon. [The checklist is here](#) (and on the website under Latest). At the end of the campaign, we will tally how many pupils delivered each of the 9 Cut Your Carbon actions!

EVENTS

Our latest dates for the term can be [found on our website](#) (as well as in the Calendar on the Parent App) and here are some reminders below.

Forthcoming events include:

- **Parent Workshops**
 - Monday 13th November: Linking Language and Comprehension Workshop** (Nursery Parents)
 - Wednesday 22nd November: Parenting a child with characteristics of ADHD** 9.00am -10.30am (see Parent App for flyer)
- **Christmas Productions**
 - Phase 1:** Tuesday 5th December at 9.20am, Wednesday 6th December at 2.00pm and Thursday 7th December at 9.20am.
 - Phase 2:** Tuesday 5th December at 2.00pm, Wednesday 6th December at 9.20am and Friday 8th December at 9.20am.
 - Phase 3:** Wednesday 13th December at 6.00pm, Thursday 14th December at 6.00pm and Friday 15th December at 9.20am.

- **Other Events**

Monday 13th November: **Odd Socks Day**

Thursday 16th November: **NHS Flu Immunisation** Reception to Year 6

Thursday 16th November: **Share My Learning Evening** 3.45pm – 7.15pm

Friday 17th November: **Non-uniform day for Children in Need**

Friday 1st December: **Non-uniform day for Christmas Fair**

Friday 8th December: 4.30pm-6.00pm: **Phase 2 Disco ***

Friday 8th December: **Christmas Jumper Day**

Thursday 14th December: **Christmas Lunch ***

* We will send out information on how to sign up for these events on the Parent App.

FINALLY

Love in a Box

The deadline for the 'Love in a Box' appeal which provides a small box of Christmas gifts for underprivileged children in countries facing challenges at this time of year was today. We can accept boxes on Monday 13th November, if they are delivered to the School Office in the morning.

Year group newsletters

If you missed the year group newsletters sent out this week, [you can find them here](#).

POPPIES & DIWALI

Finally, here are some lovely pictures from Reception and Year 6 this week.



Have a good weekend!

Mr. K. Ellis
Headteacher

The Rights Respecting Articles we have been focusing on recently at school.



Every child has the right to share freely with others what they have learned, think and feel.



Every child has the right to learn and use the language, customs and religion of their family, whether or not these are shared by the majority of the people in the country where they live.