# July 2023 Newsletter



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#### Dear Parents,

I would like to thank everyone for their support throughout the year. It has been brilliant and we're very proud of all the children. I hope you have a great summer and the children come back ready to achieve even bigger and better things through all the exciting opportunities in school and our curriculum that constantly strives to 'Make a Difference'. The children's reports will be released on the 11th or 12th July and we hope you enjoy reading about their progress and achievement.

Next year, whilst I will very much remain the Headteacher of The Merton Primary School, I will also be working as Deputy Director of Education for our Trust. Deputy Head, Mrs Elsome will be out of class next year working both alongside me and in my absence to ensure the continued progression and smooth running of the school. As always please get in touch should you have anything you wish to discuss and I look forward to seeing you in the new academic year.

#### Mr Lee

### Goodbye, Good Luck & Welcome to ...

Our wonderful year 6 children as they move to secondary school for the next chapter of their lives. We look forward to hearing about how they are getting on.

Mrs Neal who after many years as a teacher and more recently as SENDCo moves to a new school in the county to become a full time SENDCo. We are delighted to have recruited internally Miss Gina Cook as our new SENDCo. Miss Cook has been working alongside Mrs Neal this last half term to ensure she is up to speed with all things SEN.

Laura Slater will be moving with her family to Scotland this summer and Katie Atterbury is moving 'back home' to Grimsby with her family.

Both Mr Perry and Miss Harris who have both worked with us this year reach the end of their maternity contracts and are moving on to pastures new. Miss Pebody will be moving closer to home and has been successful in gaining a promotion in another school.

Finally we say goodbye to or Chair of Governors, Hannah Coombe who steps down this summer as her youngest son moves from The Merton to secondary school. Huge thanks to Hannah for the support she has given to school over many years. Mrs Jenny Scothern will be taking over in this role from September.

## Summer building works

There will be changes to both our front entrance and the Year 3/4/Fire Engine Toilet area over the Summer. The front entrance will be reconfigured so that there will be a waiting area and a toilet at the very front of school alongside a new meeting room. A new classroom sized extension will be built towards the rear of the building and this will impact access and dropping off/collecting children between the start of term and an estimated completion date of November. Further details will follow prior to the children returning to school next term.

# Our wonderful school grounds....





EYFS children reaped the benefits of their hard work and nurture. It was like discovering treasure when they un-earthed their potatoes. Thank you to the kitchen staff who turned them into tasty chips.



Bells Wood has proved to be an incredible resource for our pupils. Here are two enjoying the mud at Forest School.



Year 6 were busy enhancing the area around the new outdoor classroom. Here they are making seed bombs. We are hoping to create





Year 3 enjoyed planting flower plants and year 4 used the grounds to develop their learning out of doors. Here are some year 4 children... In pursuit of happiness!

Please note, school closes on 13th July 2023 (Last Day) and opens to children on 1st September 2023 (First Day Back)

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