# November 2023 Newsletter



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#### Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone for their support this week during our inspection, we were really proud of our staff and pupils and look forward to sharing the outcome with you as soon as we are able to.

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend our Let's Connect Coffee Morning. Please look on our website for the resources shared regarding keeping your child safe when online. Online safety is taught as part of our Computing curriculum but please also look at the PSHE area of our website to see an overview of how internet safety is taught in school in an age appropriate way.

'Wriggle and Read' took place across EYFS and KS1 this month which was enjoyed by children, staff, parents and grandparents. We value reading for pleasure highly and cannot stress enough the importance of enjoying a story at home each day. Please remember too to read / encourage your child to read their levelled school book at least 4 times a week, Please drop in and chat to your child's teacher if you would like further support or guidance with this. It is helpful to teachers and helps us to generate good reading habits if you sign in your child's reading diary each time they read.

National Anti Bullying Week took place across the country this month. At The Merton we teach and promote positive relationships and have a zero tolerance approach to bullying and manage rare incidents effectively. We launched the week by wearing odd socks in order to spark conversations about what makes us unique. Each class learned about positive relationships (including online relationships) and signed our school charter. Our anti-bullying charter can be seen on the following page.

By the end of this month our new learning spaces will be ready and we are excited to share them with you and of course the children.

Mr. Lee



# **The Merton Primary School Anti-Bullying Charter 2023-24**



# We make a commitment to take a stand against bullying

### We agree the following:

- That bullying is Several Times On Purpose
- That we want our school and community to be free from bullying including cyber bullying
- That bullying is unacceptable in school, at home, on and off line
- That we want everyone to feel able to report bullying whenever it occurs
- That we must Start Telling Other People
- That we want everyone to value kindness and embrace difference

## Signed:

Bullying Bullying

Class and Class Teacher



Well done to our Year 6 Girls football team for representing us at Charnwood at the Pokémon County Cup.



Children enjoyed learning about and celebrating Diwali, many dressed up in their finest outfits.



Year 4 immersed themselves in Greek Cuisine...







We raised a fantastic £359.42 in total from cash and online donations, as of lunchtime, for children in need, there is still time to donate <a href="here">here</a>. Many of you have remarked on the fantastic display of Merton Poppies that were displayed in The Haymarket Centre in memory of those who have fought in past conflicts.

# Caught on camera, around school this month...



Goldilocks caused chaos in EYFS and some pesky seagulls made such a mess for our year 1 children to find!









Thank you to those parents and grandparents who were able to enjoy sharing a book with our EYFS and KS1 children. We hope you enjoyed it as much as they did.

Year 6 returned from a fantastic residential to Derbyshire, tired and mucky but enriched by the new experiences and challenges the week offered. Thank you to the fantastic teachers and TA's who made this possible.





