

Merley First School

Summer 2018 Number 10

Dear Parents and Carers

It is amazing how fast this half term has gone and the children have packed so much into it.

New Roof

We are very fortunate to have secured funding from the government to have our roof replaced. This work will start during half term and continue until the end of summer. As a result of this the school car park will be significantly reduced. So I am sorry to say but no parents will be able to use the car park during this time. This may also slightly impact on Harrier Road as staff will be parking there during the day. So please be considerate to our neighbours.

Sponsored Walk/ Run for Julia's House and Finley's New Wheels

As you know this Friday we are holding a sponsored event for Julia's House. Fifty percent of the money raised goes to Julia's House and the other half comes to school. As a school we have decided to use the money we raise to help one of our own children in Year 1 who is trying to raise money for a new lighter wheel chair so that he can then become more independent. The family are also organising a sponsored scooter event in Poole Park. For more information the family have set up a fund raising page as well.

<https://www.gofundme.com/finleysnewwheels>

Dates for your Diary

Friday 25th May

Ice Cream Sale
Half Term @ 3.15pm

Monday 4th June

Return to School

Wednesday 6th June

Year4 Quad Kids at Broadstone Middle

Tuesday 12th June

Year 4 Trip to Marwell

Friday 15th June

Mufti Day for the Summer Sizzler

Thursday 21st June

Theatre Production

Friday 22nd June

Summer Sizzler 5-8pm

Tuesday 26th June

Sports Day Y1-4 am, Reception pm

Wednesday 27th June

Reserve sports day

Wednesday 4th July

Year 1 Trip to Sealife Centre

Thursday 5th July

Year 3 Intech Trip Science Museum

10th July

Year 2 Trip to Brownsea Island

13th July

Year 4 Trip to Studland

Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th July

Year 4 Leavers Show 6-8pm

Friday 20th July

MSA Disco

Tuesday 24th July

End of Term @ 1.15pm

Attendance for April 2018

Ladybird 95.8%	Butterfly 96%	Robin 96.1%	Sparrow 95.8%
Rabbit 97.6%	Hedgehog 97%	Owl 97%	Kestrel 96.3%
Fox 96.6%	Badger 97%	Whole School 96.5%	

Events in School



Congratulations goes to Mrs Benn and the Eco Warriors who have successfully been awarded the Green Flag. The children and staff all worked very hard to achieve this award and a couple of weeks ago we were inspected and passed with flying colours. We are now awaiting our green flag which we will proudly fly outside our school. Thank you to Mrs Benn and her Eco Warriors.

PGL

Last week 54 children and 7 staff went to Osmington Bay in Weymouth for an action packed three days. The children went on the zip wire, built rafts and then sailed them in the sea, went rock climbing and the favourite was the giant swing. The children were a credit to our school and fun was had by all, even the staff got actively involved!



Swimming

Kestrel Class have just completed their 5 week swimming course and Mrs Simmonds said that all the children achieved well and enjoyed their lessons. Well done Kestrel Class. Owl class will start their swimming after half term.

Africa

Our Reception children as part of their learning experience went on a plane to Africa. They were very excited but came back in time for lunch☺. This afternoon they are sharing their learning with their parents and with Year 4 with some African drumming and singing.

Transfer Day

On **Friday 6th July** all children will spend part of the morning in their new classes meeting their new teachers. After school you are more than welcome to come in and meet your child's new teacher and see what class they are in. Our Year 4'S will spend the day at their new Middle Schools.

A note about safeguarding...

If you ever have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of our children please contact the school to speak to Jane Phillips (Designated Safeguarding Lead), Carolyn Waldron and Dave Graves (Deputy DSLs). The safety of our young people is the responsibility of us all.