

NEWSLETTER

Issue 10, Friday 8th June 2018

Dear Parents,

We are in Term 6 already and this school year is quickly coming to an end. We have a busy few weeks before the summer holidays and lots of exciting events planned including our fabulous Summer Festival – **MEREFEST!**



School communication to parents:

Texts:

Due to the new GDPR regulations, Teachers2Parents have changed their texting system, so texts are now sent from a selection of mobile numbers, rather than Mereworth CP School.

We understand that this is confusing and has resulted in some texts being missed, but unfortunately we cannot influence this. If you prefer, please download the free app on your mobile by clicking the link

[edsp.co.app](#) at the bottom of the texts. The notifications are much clearer.

Emails/Letters:

Please check your email inbox and child's book bag regularly to ensure you are not missing out on any important communications from school. We are sending less reminders in an effort to not bombard you with information, so please do read the newsletters and other information sheets and make a note of important dates in advance. Thank you.

Our school value for June is Collaboration:

This month we will be focussing on our school value of collaboration. The children have been exploring the benefits of working together, the sharing of ideas and how collaboration can help our learning.

In our Values Assembly, we discussed how we can work collaboratively in our lessons, what good collaboration looks like and discussed times that we may be able to work collaboratively outside of school. Please encourage your children to think about opportunities to share with the school in Monday's assemblies of times when they have showed this value in their everyday life.



Mereworth's Sporting events:

Netball: Mereworth's Year 5 and 6 Netball Team finished 2nd in the netball league which was a fantastic achievement for our first competition. They displayed resilience, determination and showed sportsmanship at all times. Each member was a fantastic representation for Mereworth.

Well done Year 5 and 6.

Sports Day: Sports day this year will be held on Wednesday 11th July. Both KS1 and KS2 will compete in the morning. Details will be sent home closer to the date.

Sports stars: A huge well done to Oliver and Kyler (Yr4) who have both been selected to represent Mereworth within the Schools District Football Team. Good luck!

Parking, collection and drop off

A huge thank you for all of your support regarding our 'safer parking' initiative and to those of you who have been parking safely on The Street. We have had fewer incidents and reports from the public regarding road safety, and parking in the bus stop has been dramatically reduced. Your support, collaboration and encouragement has been noticed by the staff and the children. It is illegal to park on double yellow lines, zig-zags and in the bus stop.

On Monday, the first group of Year 5 and 6 children will be taking to The Street to hand out their road safety information and home-made parking tickets. The children are very excited about this 'safe parking initiative' so please support them in their roles.

Healthy Living Week:

A huge thank you to all the staff and parents who supported our Sponsored Walk on the last day of Term 5. It was another fantastic school event that has helped to raise a significant amount of money for more computer equipment for the school. And this year, nobody got lost!

If you haven't yet returned your sponsorship form and money, please could you do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

Reminders/important information:

Appointments during school time

Please can we ask you to make sure that medical proof is provided for all appointments during school time.

Children leaving school early

We will only grant permission for children to leave school before the end of the school day in exceptional circumstances and only with approval from the Head Teacher. Parents should put any request in writing and need to wait for approval of any request.

End of the school day procedures

At 3.30pm we would like everyone to leave the school premises and not continue to play and use school equipment. This will alleviate traffic on The Street and also enable our After School Clubs to run effectively and be supervised properly. Thank you.

Stationery shop:

Please can we encourage children to bring in their own handwriting pens and pencils. Alternatively you will be able to buy handwriting pens from the school office for 50p.

Mrs Pearson and Miss Maryon

FOMS events

Wednesday 13th June:

Father's day gifts. Pick up a flyer in reception and pay by 11th June.

Saturday 23rd June:

Mereworth's Summer Festival!

Make a Difference

afternoon (date to follow)

- *Please come and help us smarten up some areas of the school and grounds*
- *Jobs will include painting, weeding, gardening and general DIY activities*
- *Bring your own paintbrush*
- *Free FOMS refreshments*