



Newsletter – 6th December 2024



CELEBRATING GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Overall whole school attendance this week:	95.83%
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Well done to class 6Y for achieving the highest attendance this week.	
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Precious Times



A big well done to Year 1 for their performances this week. We sincerely hope those of you who attended really enjoyed having the opportunity to share in these special moments. As we head towards the end of term, we look forward to sharing many more with all the other shows coming up. Nursery are looking forward to welcoming everyone along to their Christmas Sing-A-Long on Tuesday 17th December! The Reception Nativity performances are next Wednesday and Thursday at 2.15pm.



You are invited to send donations of items for the Advent of Giving hampers to your child's class before Friday 13th December. Thank you, in advance, for your care and kindness.

Athletics Report from Mrs Barnes

On Tuesday, our Year 4 athletics team travelled to Colchester for a tournament against 12 other schools. We had a very successful morning and it was a very close competition. Mersea came 5th - but was only 8 points behind the overall winners. All the children showed great skill in the many throwing, jumping and running events. Amazing individual performances came from Ava, Connor and Henry. Farren, Georgia and Dylan displayed great determination and confidence. All the members of Mersea School team also demonstrated great friendship, courage and respect for the other competitors. A big thank you to the parents who helped with cheering, the transport and the understanding of tide implications! As ever, it was a privilege being part of the Mersea School team.



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Star of the Week

Nursery	Olivia is being celebrated in nursery this week for her super enthusiasm for all activities in Nursery. She is also a wonderful friend and invites everyone to enjoy the small world areas with her, developing wonderful imaginative play.
Rec 1	Charles E is our Star of the Week as he has tried hard with everything and all this hard work is really paying off. Charles wrote a sentence independently all about his potion. Well done Charles.
Rec 2	Kian M for fantastic progress in his reading. What a superstar!
1M	Eva E for super participation and sharing lots of fantastic ideas. She has worked particularly hard in geography and science, learning about African animals. Well done Eva!
1P	1P would like to celebrate Lois M for her kindness. She has been extremely polite to all of the adults as well as her peers. She has been noticed holding open doors for others and helping her friends and adults in the classroom. Thank you Lois!
2E	Sebi G for his superb efforts with poem writing. He has listened really well and applied his knowledge to carefully select his vocabulary.
2S	2S would like to celebrate Frasier B for his lovely poetry writing. He wrote a poem called 'Six ways to look at the sun'.
3D	Ava-May C for her work in DT. She has thought about the design of her decoration and taken her time with the sewing, producing neat stitching. She has worked very independently, trying to solve problems herself before asking for help.
3E	Bea has worked even harder than she usually does! She showed us her excellent atlas skills in geography when we started learning about Europe and used some beautiful descriptive language in her poetry work in English. Very well done Bea!
4B	Farren G for always trying her best in all subjects - including homework. She has made fantastic progress in reading. She is smashing her times tables and she is incredible on a running track.
4W	Sam O'S for really great work in both maths and English this week. Well done, Sam!
5F	Ava W for always being kind and caring not only to her classmates but to the adults as well. Seeking out an adult to apologise for making a mess and offering to clean it up.
5T	Joey P for his excellent efforts in French, he has been having a go at pronouncing lots of new vocabulary and developing his work into more complex sentences. Tres bien Joey!
5W	Amelia-Rose S for her positive and attentive attitude, for being really helpful and kind to her peers, for working extremely hard in maths- well done Amelia-Rose.
6H	6H star of the week is Blake for putting a lot of thought and effort into his work this week. He has been fully focused in all of our lessons and has produced some lovely work as a result! Well done Blake.
6Y	Summer L who has been more confident and determined which has resulted in great improvements in all areas.



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You can find copies of the newsletter, term dates, medication forms and lots of information on our website.

Can we help you?

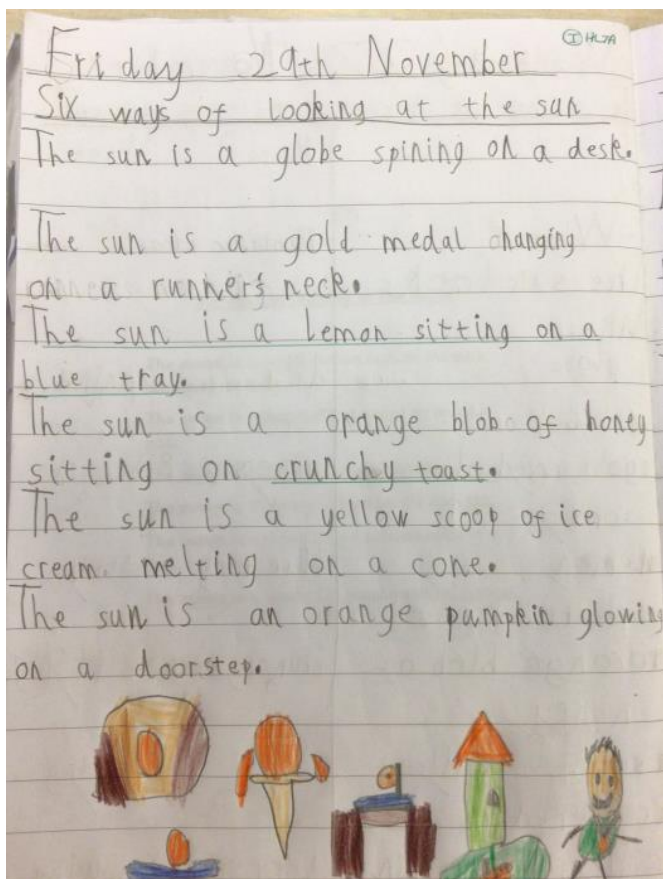
The current economic climate is presenting challenges and is affecting everyone in different ways. If your financial situation has changed you may now be entitled to additional support including free school meals, contributions towards trips and some school uniform provision.

There is guidance for eligibility and the process does not require you to fill in a lot of paperwork or any online forms, this is something we can do for you.

All families from Reception to Year 6 may apply.

If you would like any additional information or would like to apply, please contact Mrs Lee by emailing office@merseaschool.org

Frasier B's (2S) lovely poetry



Cold weather

It is rather chilly so thank you for ensuring your child has a coat in school.

Please can I ask that coats, scarves, hats and gloves are all named so that we can return any left items to their owners and prevent any extra costs being passed on to you when you have to replace things.

Last day of term is Friday 20th - It is Christmas Lunch Day and non-school uniform; pupils are invited to wear their Christmas Jumpers.



SAFEGUARDING -Is everyone's responsibility. If you have any concerns, please ask to speak to a safeguarding lead in school. If you are worried about a child outside of school, you can contact the Early Advice Hub on 0345 6037627 or alternatively, if it is an emergency, call 999.