

Autumn Term Number 1

Week ending  
9<sup>th</sup> September 2022



Dear Parents and Governors

**Learn – Achieve – Enjoy**  
**“Exceptional Pastoral Care” (Ofsted, September 2018)**

**It is with great sadness that we learnt of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on 8.9.22. Morden Primary school send their deepest condolences to The Royal Family at this very sad time. We were fortunate to meet Her Majesty on 11.10.19 when she formally opened the new homes in Haig Housing.**



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

To: Mrs P Blow, Headteacher, and  
The Pupils and Staff at  
Morden Primary School

The Queen wishes me to write and thank you for your letter illustrated with photographs taken during Her Majesty's recent visit to Haig Housing in Morden.

The Queen was touched by the warm welcome she received, and was delighted to see so many of you from Morden Primary School and to accept your lovely flowers. It was kind of you to write as you did, and to include some of the work you completed after the event; Her Majesty was most interested to hear your own accounts of the experience.

Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated, and I am to thank you all very much indeed.

*Elizabeth Keating*

Lady-in-Waiting

27<sup>th</sup> November 2019

## KEY DATES

DATE	EVENT
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September</b>	3.15pm Meet the Teacher – Reception class
<b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September</b>	School Council Cake Sale after school for homeless charity Y6 class trip to Morden Park – <b>Remember your packed lunch</b>
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Y2 & Y4 class trip to Morden Park <b>Remember your packed lunch</b>
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Y1 & Y3 class trip to Morden Park <b>Remember your packed lunch</b>
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Y5 class trip to Morden Park – <b>Remember your packed lunch</b>
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Two Week Year 4 intensive swimming classes begin
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	3.15pm Meet the Teacher Y1, Y2, Y5, Y6
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	3.15pm Meet the Teacher Y3, Y4
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	Tours of school for prospective parents – please book through the school office
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	School Photographer in school – Individual/Family photos
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	Y3 at Wimbledon Bookfest pm
<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Y4 at Wimbledon Bookfest am/Y5 at Wimbledon Bookfest pm
<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September</b>	McMillan Coffee Morning – 9am in the studio
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Tours of school for prospective parents – please book through the school office
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Y3/4 Camp at school – further information to be sent soon!
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October</b>	2-7pm Parents Evening <b>SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Y2 at Polka Theatre
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Tours of school for prospective parents – please book through the school office
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October</b>	WINNING Hummingbird Team may come in MUFTI – Team TBC
<b>24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> October</b>	HALF TERM

### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

It is great to be back with our Morden family and seeing the children's happy faces as they began new classes this week. We would like to warmly welcome new children and new families to Morden Primary. We have lots of exciting activities planned for the next term so make sure you read newsletters and check our website regularly.

<https://morden.merton.sch.uk>

Buckingham Palace announced yesterday the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. We have now entered a period of national mourning that will continue until the end of the State Funeral. The news of the passing of The Queen is something which has saddened us all. For most of us alive today, it is hard to imagine times without Queen Elizabeth on the throne. The death of the monarch is an unprecedented event.

The Mayor of Merton has paid tribute to the Queen. You can read the statement on the council's website: [www.merton.gov.uk/thequeen](http://www.merton.gov.uk/thequeen). A book of condolence will be opened at 8am today (Friday) at the Civic Centre by the Mayor, the Council Leader and the Chief Executive. There will also be an online book of condolence on the council's website. Later in the day, books of condolence will be opened in the borough's other six libraries. A place for laying flowers has been designated at the front of the Civic Centre in Morden.

Our Jubilee celebrations were such a wonderful occasion in June – photos are still on the website if you would like to see them. All children in Reception -Y6 received a copy of 'Queen Elizabeth: A Platinum Jubilee Celebration', which was the commemorative book distributed to state-funded primary schools across the United Kingdom in 2022. Children may enjoy looking at this book with their family members over the next few days.

## WELCOME NEW STAFF MEMBER

We would like to welcome Mr Lucas Marlow to our Morden Family. Mr Marlow will be team teaching with Miss Jarman in our Nursery class. Mr Marlow has extensive early years' experience and we are fortunate that he has joined our team. Welcome!

## PARENT PAY MESSAGES

A gentle reminder that when using Parent Pay, parents should not hit 'reply' when they receive a ParentPay email message from school. These messages will not reach the correct person. If you wish to respond to a ParentPay email message from school, you should send messages to **info@morden.merton.sch.uk**.

## NUT FREE SCHOOL

A reminder that we are a nut free school and no nut products (which includes Nutella and hazelnut spreads) should be brought into school. We have a number of children who have serious nut allergies and exposure could be extremely harmful to their health. We thank you for your support with this.

## HUMMINGBIRD WINNERS – Well done!

Mr Hill, our IT technician, has created an online team point system for staff to allocate points to children across the school This converts to a live and ongoing summary page of the team points. Well done to Rufous who are narrowly in the lead at present

# COMET

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# FIRECROWN

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# RUFIOUS

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# XANTUS

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# ZAFIRO

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## LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations this week's first Learners of the Week

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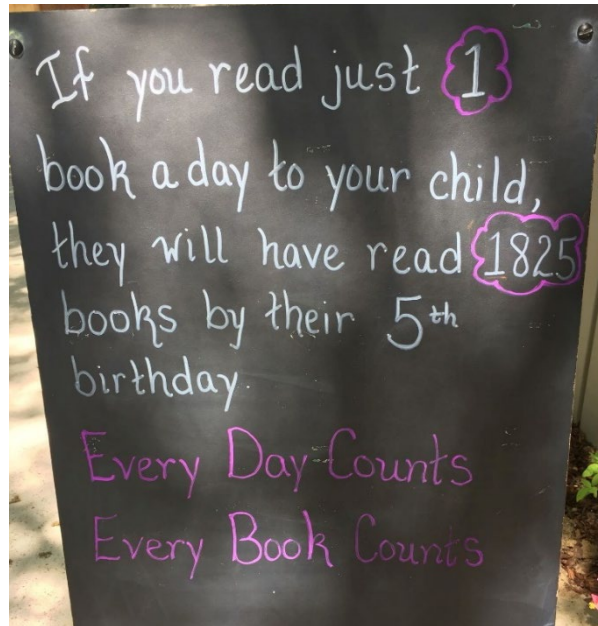
CLASS	LEARNER OF THE WEEK		HIGH 5 – VALUE WINNER	
	NAME	REASON	NAME	REASON
<b>Yellow</b>	<u>Dyanne</u>	For being brave when entering in her new classroom.	Loida	Responsibility – for pushing in all the chairs in the classroom, to keep everyone safe.
<b>Red</b>	Johannes	For his fantastic description of a picture during Literacy. Well done.	Maisie	Resilience – trying really hard to be brave when coming to school.
<b>Green</b>	William	For working hard in maths this week. Well done William	Joel	Resilience and Challenge in all his activities this week. Well done Joel.
<b>Blue</b>	<u>Yumna</u>	For her excellent ideas in literacy lessons.	Charlotte	RESPONSIBILITY: for showing her maturity as she moves into Key Stage 2.
<b>Purple</b>	Xavier	For excellent use of adjectives in his writing	Matthew	TEAMWORK: for helping others in class, during lessons.
<b>Silver</b>	Sophia	For excellent class participation and for supporting your learning partner so well.	Frankie	CHALLENGE: For having the courage to perform an amazing Bon Jovi air guitar solo to the whole class.
<b>Gold</b>	Georgie	For working really hard in literacy to build her points with evidence.	Raul	RESILIENCE: creating a self-portrait in Art

## HIGH SCHOOL TOURS

**A reminder that high schools host open evenings for prospective Year 7 children throughout September and October. Please make sure that you look on websites for dates as some require booking.**

Carshalton Boys is holding their Open Evening, for boys transferring to Secondary School in September 2023, on Thursday 22 September 2022. This is a very popular evening and to control numbers on site parents must book an arrival time by either completing the google form on their website ([www.carshaltonboys.org](http://www.carshaltonboys.org)) or by emailing [admin@carshaltonboys.org](mailto:admin@carshaltonboys.org) or by phoning 020 8714 3100. Entry times are 4.00pm, 4.30pm, 5.00pm, 5.30pm and 6.00pm. They are also running morning tours from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October, details of how to book a place on a tour can be found on their website. If you have any queries please contact the school directly on the number above.

**An interesting fact:**



**MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT**

If you or someone close to you is looking for support, it may be worth checking out the Hub of Hope website <https://hubofhope.co.uk/> which shows many of the services which are available locally.

**EASYFUNDRAISING FOR MORDEN PRIMARY**

**Please remember to log onto this website prior to any online purchasing** as the school gets a small commission of what you purchase AT NO COST TO YOU. For every purchase you make, the school will receive a commission percentage. **Please tell your families and friends as well.**

1. Go to <https://easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/mordenprimary> and join for free.
2. Over 3,000 online shops are included

**Mrs P. Blow, Headteacher**

