



J1 Newsletter Spring 2 2025

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term, we are now halfway through J1!

Uniform

Baseball caps should be worn on tracksuit days and school hats worn on full uniform days. **Please ensure that hats/ caps and blazers are worn on arrival to school each morning.**

The Uniform requirements remain the same as last term:

Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs: PE Kit (Swimming kits will be needed for Mondays).

Fri: Full School Uniform.

Swimming kits should be brought in on a Monday.

Please could you include a spare pair of socks in your child's Forest School bag every Tuesday as they can get quite muddy during this session.

Mother's Day Forest School

We do hope that mums, grandmas or aunties are able to join us on Tuesday 25th March during the 'Mother's Day Forest School' session. Make sure you bring your wellies and wear clothing that you don't mind getting muddy!

S4 Bring and Buy Sale

The S4 Bring and Buy Sale will take place on Friday 14th March. The children are asked to bring in no more than £10 in coins in a clearly named purse/wallet.

Tooled Up

Tooled Up is a very useful resource that may help you answer some of those tricky questions that pop up while you are at home. We encourage you to become familiar with the website:

www.tooledupeducation.com/register

School pin number: MCP0809

Driving & Parking

Please drive slowly and carefully on school premises. In the afternoons, children may well have games or clubs on the school fields and we need to be mindful of their safety. Our 'drop off lane' should be used to do just that; please do not block it by parking - however briefly. If your child is not old enough or able to exit the car by themselves, please drive into the carpark, find a space and then walk them to the appropriate gate. Please remember to park considerately. The disabled parking bays should only be used by those with mobility issues or a blue badge. Please also make use of our new pedestrian walkway to avoid walking small children through the middle of the carpark. Many thanks for your continued help with this.

Punctuality and Attendance

Regular attendance and punctuality are crucial for your child's wellbeing and academic progress. While we understand that children may occasionally be unwell, we encourage you to prioritise consistent attendance. Children should aim to arrive in time to settle in before lessons start at 8:50 am. Registers are taken at 8:45 am, and any child arriving after this time is marked late, missing valuable learning moments like phonics and reading. Late arrivals can disrupt your child's morning routine and impact their ability to focus and succeed throughout the day. Every minute counts—let's work together to ensure your child gets the best start to their school day!

Diary of Events

FOMC Comedy Night Friday 7th March

S4 Bring and Buy Sale Friday 14th March

St Patrick's Day Lunch Monday 17th March

J1 School Assembly Thursday 20th March

J1 Parents' Coffee Morning Friday 21st March

S4 Strictly St Patrick's Spectacular Friday 21st March, 7pm

FOMC Easter Bonnet Competition Monday 24th March

J1 Mothers' Day Forest School Tuesday 25th March

Junior Prizegiving Friday 28th March, 9.15am

End of Term Friday 28th March, 12pm.

Please look at the school website regularly for updates - www.mertoncourtprep.co.uk

We look forward to a successful term, please feel free to contact us should you have any queries.

The J1 Team.

