



MERTON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

CO-EDUCATIONAL DAY PREPARATORY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AGED 3-11
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EY NEWSLETTER (1) SUMMER TERM 2025

Welcome back! We hope you had a great Easter break and are ready to start the last term in EY which will be very productive. We would like to extend a warm welcome to Jackson, Wynter-Renae, Xander, Hazel, Elliott and their families who join us this term. A gentle reminder that we are always available at the beginning and end of your child's school day should you wish to discuss anything, alternatively the Early Years direct line telephone number is **0208 269 6896** and our e-mail addresses are:

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Curriculum

We have now covered most of the Letterland characters along with their corresponding sounds with the children who will be moving into J1 in September. This term we will focus on recapping and consolidating the children's knowledge and, where appropriate, introducing blending sounds to form simple words. Please continue to use any Letterland materials you may have at home to support the children; this is just the beginning of their Letterland journey! Our topics for this half term are 'Pirates and 'Vehicles'.

Snacks

A gentle reminder that mid-morning snacks should be of a sensible size and should not include sweets, chocolate, crisps or nuts due to allergies. If your child attends all day please provide them with two snacks clearly separated and labelled. Please remember to

include your child's water bottle in their bag each day filled with fresh water.

School Uniform

Summer PE kit should now be worn on Tuesday- Friday with full uniform being worn on Monday. If it is cool towards the beginning of the term then children may still wear their red tracksuits. School baseball caps must be worn to school Tuesday-Friday and be in the children's bags on Monday when they wear the felt cap/straw boater. Please note that long hair (boys or girls) should be tied back every day. As the weather gets warmer, please ensure that sunscreen is applied to your child before they come to school. If you would like sunscreen to be re-applied during the day, then please bring in a clearly labelled bottle to remain at school, along with a completed permission slip. (see attached)

Maths Term

The topic for Maths Term is 'Question Everything'. We will ask 'big questions' as a way of engaging the children. We will also continue our 'brain' focus and as part of this will explore 'Food and Nutrition'.

Maths week falls on week beginning Tuesday 6th May. During this week we will be visited by a Magician who will show us that things are not always as they seem. We will be ending the week with Maths hat day on Friday 9th May.

Ten Town and Magical Maths Bags

This term we will be introducing Ten Town and Magical Maths bags along with our weekly Ten Town Challenge. Please complete and enjoy these challenges with your children; we will send them home with you on a Wednesday please return by Monday so

that we can get the bags ready to resend again.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' evenings will be held on the 16th June. An editable timetable to book appointments will be on the Early Years Google Drive after half term.

Sports Day

Sports Day for EY and J1 is on Thursday 26th June at 9.15am.

Don't forget to start practising for the parents' race!

EY-J1 Moving-Up Coffee Morning

On Wednesday 11th June there will be a Coffee morning held in the School Hall for parents of current children that are moving up to J1 in September.

Mr Price, Mrs Langton and members of the J1 teaching team will be there to discuss the move up to J1 and answer any questions you may have. There will also be an opportunity to view the J1 classroom.

Prom on the Pitch

Prom on the Pitch is a fabulous way to round off our school year. This annual event takes place on our Merton field and is guaranteed to entertain everyone. This years theme is 'old skool' and there will be a live band and DJ. Further details to follow.

Diary of events:

30th April – The Little Recyclers – Clothes recycling day

6th May – 9th - Maths Week

9th May – Maths Hat Day

10th May – 125 May Ball – Tickets still available via ParentPay until April 28th

12th May – Individual and Class photos (all children in full Summer uniform)

13th May – Whole School Photo

26th May – 30th May – Half Term

11th June – EY/J1 Transition morning 9am

13th June – Father's Day sports afternoon

16th June – EY Parents' Evening

19th June – Music and Movement workshop for parents 2pm in the school hall – further details to follow

26th June – EY/J1 Sports Day 9:15am

4th July – '125' whole school production at O2 Indigo 2:30pm and 7pm

8th July - Moving up day (for the children)

10th July - Prom on the Pitch 6pm-9pm

11th July - Last day of term finish at 12pm

