



J1 Newsletter

Summer 2 2026

Nurture

Welcome back! We hope you had a great break and are ready for the last few busy weeks of J1!

Parents' Evening

We would like to invite you to J1 Parents' Evening after school on Monday 15th June. There will be 10-minute timeslots for you to meet with your child's teacher in person and discuss their progress. Please book your appointment via the J1 Google Drive, the sign-up sheet will be available from Monday 8th June.

Exercise

Uniform

Please ensure that children have their baseball caps with them every day (including Friday), this is part of their uniform and essential for when they go outside in the warmer weather. May we also remind you that blazers should be worn to school every day.

Stimulate

Numeracy

We will use these last few weeks of term to consolidate the children's learning. We will talk about shapes, clocks, coins and measurement. We will also continue with addition and subtraction, now incorporating counting on and counting back with a focus on number bonds to 5 and beyond.

Literacy

Continuing our narrative focus, this term we are looking at stories about nature and summer. We will be using the CLPE text "Stanleys Stick" to develop the children's understanding of these topics.

Homework

We trust that you and the children are enjoying the maths games - they are a fun way of revising the number concepts that we deal with in class. A polite reminder to please check that all the relevant pieces (counters, dice, playing cards etc) are put back into the maths games before returning on the following Monday as these games will be redistributed to other children on Friday.

Talk

Reading/Letterland

We will continue to send reading records home twice a week, could we please ask you to write a comment or initial to say your child has read the book at home with you.

The children are decoding well at this level, and we are now encouraging them to take note of the punctuation and use some expression. They should also be able to discuss what has happened in the story to indicate that they have understood what they have read.

Love

Fathers' Day Stay and Play Session

On Friday 19th June we will be holding a Fathers' Day session from 9am – 10am. Please arrive at the J1 gate to be signed in at 9am ready for a morning of fun.

Sports Day

Sports Day for EY and J1 is on Thursday 25th June at 9.15am. The children will be taking part in several different races and events, and they are practising hard. Don't forget the ever-popular parent's race!

Prom on the Pitch

Prom on the Pitch is a fabulous way to round off the school year. This year the event will be held on Thursday 9th July 6pm – 9pm. Further details to follow soon.

Talent Contest

Our annual Talent Contest takes place on Friday 10th July. We would like you to encourage your children to do a short dance, song or joke to perform to the rest of the school. Please note this is a closed event!

Environment

Moving up Day

Our moving-up day is on Tuesday 7th July. The children will meet their new teachers and spend time in the J2 classrooms.

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

Diary of Events

Festival of Music – Friday 5th June

J1 Parents' Evening – Monday 15th June

J1 Sidcup Local Area Trip – Thursday 18th June 11am – 3pm

J1 Father's Day Stay and Play – Friday 19th June 9am – 10am

Junior Sports Day (EY/J1) – Thursday 25th June 9:15am

Enrichment Week – 6th – 10th July

Moving Up Day – Tuesday 7th July

Junior Prizegiving – Wednesday 8th July 2pm

Prom on the Pitch – Thursday 9th July 6pm – 9pm

Junior Talent Show – Friday 10th July
End of Term 12pm

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely summer!

The J1 Team

*"Omnia Strenue,
In all we do and say,
Strive above all every
day."*

– School Song, Merton Court School.