



# Mersey Park Primary School

## May 2017 Newsletter



Value of the Month: **Patience**

Headteacher: **Mrs M Thomas**

### Dates to Remember

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May: Local Elections – School closed due to being used as a polling station**  
**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> May: Year 6 SATs week**  
**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May: Walk to School Week**  
**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May: Anti-Bullying Week**  
**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May: Year 5 Performance – Class 5O parents invited**  
**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May: Year 5 Performance – Class 5PL parents invited**  
**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May: School closes for half term**  
**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June: School closed for Half Term**  
**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June: School re-opens**  
**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June: General Elections – school closed due to being used as a polling station**

### Pupil Contact Details

We would request that all parents keep their contact details held in school updated and ensure that the telephone numbers given are available at all times. It is important that we are able to contact parents, if necessary, during the school day.



**PLEASE KEEP US UP TO DATE**

### SATs – Advance Warning of Test Week

Please note that the week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May is SATs week. It is very important that all Year 6 children are in school each day that week and are in on time to ensure that they do not miss any of the tests.

Year 2 children will also take SATs tests in May, but they can be administered at any time throughout the month.

Please help us by making sure children are getting to bed early and having a healthy breakfast so that they are ready to do the best they can in their tests.

### Mersey Park Primary School Football Team

The school football team have been going from strength to strength.



Year 6 travelled to Finch Farm to take part in the Wirral Schools Competition and Year 5 fought hard but unfortunately they were knocked out in the second round of the Corgi Cup.



### SPORTS DAY

**Dates for your diary!**

**Year 5 & 6 – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Year 3 & 4 – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June**  
**F2, Year 1 & 2 – Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

**All start at 10.00am. In the case of bad weather they will take place the following day.**

### Bug Busting

A reminder that the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month is 'Bug Busting Day' when we encourage parents and carers to check their child's hair.

If you have any concerns about persistent headlice please speak to Mrs Hardy, our Home School Liaison Officer.



### Walk to School Week: 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May

During this week we will be thinking about the health benefits of walking to school and the children will be taking part in some fun activities.

More information to follow.



### School Watch

If you see any intruders in the school grounds during the break, please contact one of the following numbers:

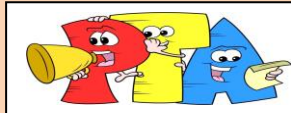
**Metro Security 666 5265**

**Or Police 709 6010**

**Thank you for your vigilance.**

### MPPSA

The Summer Fair is fast approaching, we would really appreciate any volunteers to help with the preparations for the day. If you have any items you wish to donate to the fair please bring them to the school office. Thank you.



### Rights Respecting Schools

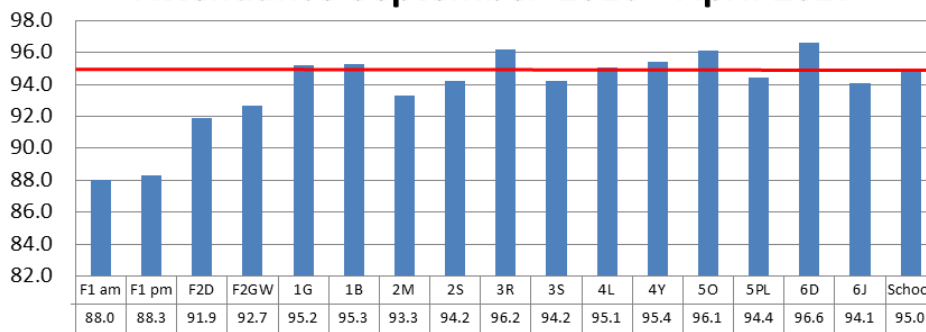
We are delighted to have been awarded the Rights Respecting Schools Recognition of Commitment, to recognise the work that school does on the UN's Convention of the Rights of the Child. This work focusses on ensuring that our school is a safe, inspiring place to learn, where children are respected, their talents are nurtured and they are able to thrive, giving children the best chance to lead happy, healthy lives and to be responsible active citizens.

We are now working towards the Level 1 award. If any parents/carers would be interested in supporting this work please contact Mrs Tootell, Deputy Head.



### Attendance

#### Attendance September 2016 - April 2017



School attendance (Years 1–6) is currently at 95% which has remained constant since last month, and is just on target.

Could the children in all the classes that are below the 95% red line (on the graph above) make a huge effort to be in school every day, so they can reach our target.

Congratulations to **F1pm, F2D, 1G, 2S, 3R, 3S, 4L, 5PL** and **6J** who have improved their attendance since last month!

Congratulations also to **6D** who won the attendance league, **6J** with the most improved attendance for last half term and **Taloula in 4Y** who won the 95%+ Attendance raffle prize. She won a voucher for a family swimming session.

All the children who did not miss a day of school during the Spring Term received a 100% attendance certificate last week. Well done to all **94** pupils.

### Anti-Bullying Quality Mark

School continues to work towards the Gold Anti-Bullying Quality Mark. The Steering Group, made up of parents/carers, governors, pupils and staff, meet each term to check that progress is being made towards the 10 criteria. All incidents of bullying are taken very seriously and addressed following the schools policy and 'Pathways of Help'.

These are both available on the school's website and are also produced in child friendly versions. If you are concerned that your child is being bullied please do not hesitate to speak to school staff or contact school by email: [antibullying@merseypark.wirral.sch.uk](mailto:antibullying@merseypark.wirral.sch.uk).

