



Mersey Park Primary School

September 2016 Newsletter



Value of the Month: **Kindness**

Headteacher: **Mrs M Thomas**

Welcome Back

We would like to welcome all of our families back to Mersey Park, we hope you enjoyed the summer.

Dates to Remember

Monday 12th September – Uniform Week

Tuesday 13th September – Farm to Fork trip 6D

Wednesday 14th September - Farm to Fork trip 6J

Monday 19th September – Year 6 Swimming each morning.

Tuesday 20th September – Farm to Fork trip 5PL

Wednesday 21st September – Farm to Fork trip 5O

Monday 26th September – Year 6 Swimming each morning.

Tuesday 27th-Thursday 29th September – Book Fair

Tuesday 27th September – Farm to Fork trip 4Y

Wednesday 28th September – Farm to Fork trip 4L

Thursday 29th September – Mr Rich, Drummer for Status Quo visiting with KS2

Thursday 6th October – Foundation 2 Parents Information Meetings



School Dinners

All children in Foundation 2, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to receive a free hot school dinner each day. Most parents have taken up this offer. Unfortunately children in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 are not entitled to the free meal unless they are on our Free School Meal Register. If you think your child may be entitled to a free school meal and you have not applied, please come into the school office to complete an application form. However, all other children in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 who wish to have a school dinner must pay £2.00 a day for their meal. Please send/bring the money into the school office, in a named and sealed envelope on a Monday morning, to pay for the week ahead (total £10.00).

Each day, the children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 who are entitled to a free school meal, or who have paid, will be given a wristband, just before lunch, to hand in to the kitchen staff in order to receive their meal. This way, the kitchen staff will know who is eligible for a school dinner each day.

We understand that on occasions parents/carers forget to send in dinner money and in an exceptional circumstance children will be provided with a meal at the discretion of the Headteacher, but if payment is not received by the end of the week, we will no longer be able to provide a meal for your child, so they will require a packed lunch.

Menus are available from the school office.

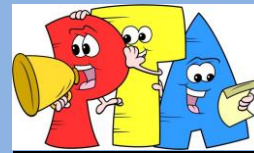
Thank you for your co-operation.



Bug Busting

A reminder that the 10th 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 Liason Officer.



Mersey Park Primary School PTA

The Mersey Park Parents Association will soon be holding a meeting, details will be circulated. We are looking for people to join the committee. The main purpose of the association is to raise money for school to benefit the children. Everyone is most welcome.

Dogs in the Playground

Under no circumstances are dogs to be brought into the school playground. Thank you to those dog owners who have now abided by this request, however despite having previously made this request, some dogs are still being brought in. This is an ongoing Health & Safety issue and I hope you appreciate the importance of complying with this request.

Attendance

Please see the Attendance and Punctuality leaflet that has been sent out with this newsletter for more information on the following topics:

- Expected attendance and punctuality;
- What to do if you are running late in the morning or at the end of the school day;
- What to do if your child is unwell and cannot attend school;
- What to do if your child has a medical appointment during the school day;
- What to do if your child needs time off school for a family event;
- The staff in school who can support you with attendance or punctuality questions or concerns;
- An explanation of Fixed Penalty Notices – what they are and why they may be issued.

Building Work

We would like to thank parents and carers for their patience during the on-going building works in middle playground. We are hoping that these works will be completed by October half term.



Midday Assistant Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a midday assistant. If any parent/carers would like to apply for this position please call into the office to collect an application form.

