

Mersey Park Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter February 2019

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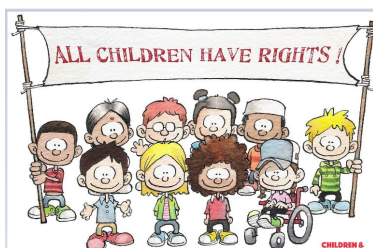
A separate letter will be sent out to you regarding Home/School Discussions which take place on **Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th February**. We look forward to seeing you to acknowledge your child's achievements and discuss ways forward with class teachers. It is a chance for you to meet your child's class teacher, look at your child's work to see the progress they are making and celebrate their hard work.

We hope you all can make it.

Don't forget
parents'
evening!

Rights Respecting Schools

Each month the whole school focuses on an article from the UN Convention for the Rights of the Child. The article for February is: 'Every child has the right to the best possible health' (Article 24). The children will think about what this article means to them and for other children in this country and around the world. Each class has produced a Rights Respecting Schools agreement, for their classroom, deciding which rights are important to them and showing what they will do, and what the adults in school will do, to respect these rights. There is more information about the school's work towards gaining the silver award, on the school's website.



February Dates to Remember

KS2 Life Bus Workshops

Thursday 31st January



E-Safety Workshops—Yr. 1 & Yr. 2

Thursday 31st January

E-Safety

Chinese New Year

Tuesday 5th February



Year 3 Victorian School Day

Friday 8th February



Year 4 Production - 4G

Tuesday 12th February



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Year 4 Production - 4O

Thursday 14th February



Half Term Holiday

Monday 18th—Friday 22nd
February



School Re-Opens

Monday 25th February

Half Term Trophy Assembly

Friday 1st March



School Day



Please remember that

our school day starts at **8.50 am**

I appreciate there are times when circumstances conspire and lateness cannot be helped, but **regular lateness**, even by a few minutes, is disruptive to the learning of all children in school and should be avoided.

Help us to set good examples to children!

Foundation Stage 1 Intake 2019

If you or anyone you know has a child who will be **3** on or before 31st August 2019 and would like to apply for a place in our Nursery, please pick up an application form from the school office.

The admission process will begin very shortly, therefore we would kindly request that all applications are completed and returned to the school office by **Friday 15th March 2019**



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 head lice please speak to **Mrs Hardy**, our Home School Liaison Officer.

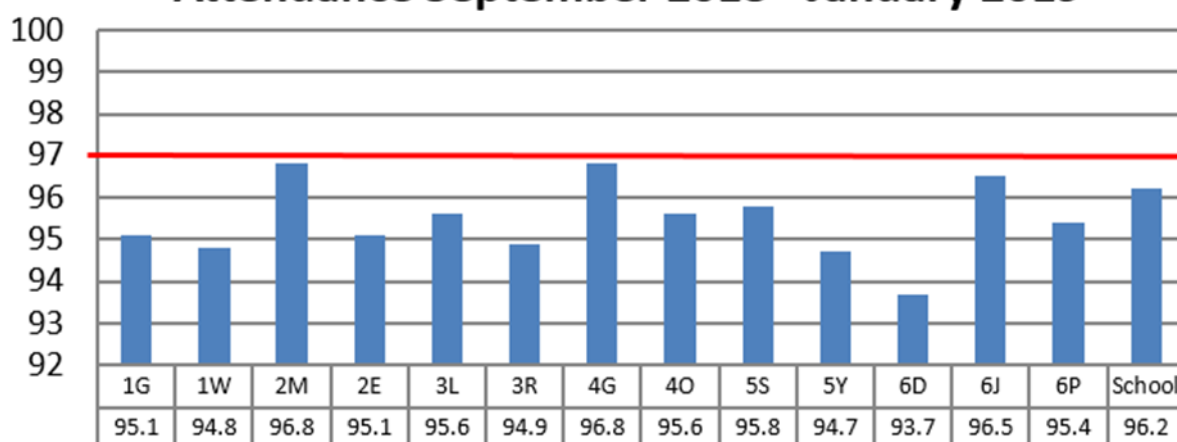


Nitrid Head Lice Treatment is available to buy from the school office. Please contact us for details.

Attendance

Whole school attendance of **96.2%** remains just below our whole school target of **97%**. Please see the graph below to see how well your child's class is doing to meet our target.

Attendance September 2018 - January 2019



Congratulations to **2M** and **4G** who have the best attendance so far this year and to **1G**, **1W**, **6D** and **6P** who have all improved their attendance since last month. The attendance raffle for all pupils with over 97% attendance was won by Miyuki in Y5 and 109 pupils were awarded a 100% attendance certificate for the Autumn term.

If your child is absent from school, please remember to inform school of the reason as only 5 days missed due to unauthorised absence can lead to an Education Penalty Notice.



Social Supermarket

Here are details of our local Social Supermarkets:

Birkenhead & Tranmere

Make it Happen, 72 Market Street — 9.30am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday and the first Saturday of each month 1.00am to 1.00pm.

St Catherine's Community Centre—Every Thursday between 10.00am and 4.00pm

Rock Ferry

Neo Community, Beaconsfield Community

House, Rock Ferry:

Monday—Afternoon

Tuesday— 1.00pm to 3.00pm

Wednesday—11.00am to 3.30pm

Thursday—11.30am—1.30pm

Friday—5.00pm to 7.00pm



Safer Internet Day

On the **5th February** we will be celebrating **Safer Internet Day** in school. The pupils do work across the year on how to keep themselves safe when using computers and have even created a class recipe of how to stay safe online.

It can sometimes be hard as parents to keep up with the changing technology and make decisions about technology usage within your home.

Please use this QR code or link to complete an introduction to e-safety as it highlights some of the possible e-safety problems.



<https://www.e-safetysupport.com/onlinetraining?course=dLStsvVwDpha&school=861>



Foundation 2 Tooth Brushing Programme

Foundation 2 children are enjoying brushing their teeth every afternoon as part of our supervised tooth brushing programme. We hope they are showing you how good they are at it when they brush their teeth at home. We have lots of bright white smiles and children who are eager to brush their teeth every day.

Chester Zoo Outreach

We were recently approached by Chester Zoo to participate in their Sustainable Palm Oil Challenge. The challenge consists of a series of school-based workshops that will teach the children about palm oil, what it is, how it is affecting wildlife and how we can all act to help protect the affected wildlife.

The project also includes a free visit to the zoo for all participating children.

Years 2, 4 and 6 will visit on 28th March.

Years 1, 3 and 5 will visit on 18th April.

In addition to this, at the end of the project the children will be provided with a letter which they can use to visit the zoo again for free. The letter is **one per family** and provides free admission for up to two adults and three children.



Mersey Park Parent Partnership

The Mersey Park Parent Partnership Group now have a page on our school website for the latest news and what we have been up to. You can find us under the **Parents Section**.

<http://merseyparkprimary.co.uk/parents/>

