



MERRYLANDS

PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

SUMMER TERM – FRIDAY 17TH JULY 2026

MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL – MRS PRYER

Dear Parents/Carers,

I cannot believe we have reached the end of another academic year. The children have worked incredibly hard throughout the year and have made excellent progress across the curriculum. We are extremely proud of all that they have achieved and the commitment they have shown to their learning.

Today, we held our end-of-year assembly, celebrating the effort, achievements and successes of children across the school. It was a wonderful opportunity to recognise all that the children have accomplished this year.

During the assembly, we celebrated children who achieved 100% attendance during the Summer Term. Certificates were presented, and all eligible pupils were entered into our attendance raffle. Congratulations to Buster F, Freddy C, Eliana E and Ted K, who each won an attendance prize. In addition, we also announced this half-term's Team Point winners. Congratulations to the Red Team in Early Years and Key Stage 1, and the Yellow Team in Key Stage 2.

Earlier this week, we enjoyed the Year 4 and 5 Sports Day and the Nest sports event. It was wonderful to see such enthusiasm, determination and teamwork. Congratulations to the winning classes: Mr Taylor's class (Year 5) and Miss Atkin's class (Year 4). Thank you to everyone who attended and supported these events.

Today, we also said goodbye to Year 6. They have worked hard throughout their time at Merrylands, shown great resilience and determination, and been excellent role models. We are extremely proud of all they have achieved and wish them every success as they move on to secondary school.

This week, we have also said farewell to Miss Williams, Miss Cutri, Miss Mason and Miss Barnard. I am sure you will join me in thanking them for their dedication and commitment to the children and families of Merrylands. We wish them all the very best for the future.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support this academic year. I hope you all have a lovely summer break.



School Attendance Target: 95.00 %

This week's attendance: 92.11%

The class with the best attendance in KS1 was Mrs King's Class with 98.72%

The class with the best attendance in KS2 was Miss White's Class with 98.52%

If your child is absent, contact must be made to the School Office EVERY school day that your child is absent.



RESPECT

KINDNESS

PERSEVERANCE

STAR OF THE WEEK CERTIFICATE

FOCUS: KINDNESS

Nursery: The Whole Class
 Nest: Kasper L & Vinnie A
 Reception, Mrs Anthony: Ollie B
 Reception, Mrs Sullivan: Dottie-Rose C
 Reception, Mrs Bagridge: Harley Y
 Year 1, Mrs King: Sadie D
 Year 1, Mrs Camoccio: Francesca B & Olivia L
 Year 1, Mrs Andrade: The Whole Class
 Year 2, Mrs Didham: Maisie H
 Year 2, Miss Milne: Lottie-Mae R
 Year 2, Mrs Christie/Mrs Cooper: Aurora P

Year 3, Mrs Almond: Eva P
 Year 3, Miss Gilmore: Evie F
 Year 3, Miss Medina: Thinara P
 Year 4, Miss Lee: Lillie S
 Year 4, Miss Miller: The Whole Class
 Year 4, Miss Atkin: The Whole Class
 Year 5, Miss Day: Sophia C
 Year 5, Mr Taylor: Sophia B
 Year 5, Miss Osborne: Zac A
 Year 6, Miss White: Nailah O
 Year 6, Mrs Thour: Emilia B

BADGES



Our Merrylands badges are given to the pupils who demonstrate the school values at all times. They are good role models to other pupils and work hard to improve every single day.

They try their best and persevere in all lessons, complete homework on time, have good school attendance and show kindness to their peers.

Congratulations to this week's winners.

Reception	Oscar W-M
Year 1	Hudson T
Year 2	Jordan M-H
Year 3	Rory-Paul B
Year 4	Arianna P Teodor B
Year 5	Daisy S
Year 6	Frankie D

UPCOMING DIARY DATES

20.07.2026 - Inset Day
 21.07.2026 - Start of School Holidays
 03.09.2026 - Back to School



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KINDNESS

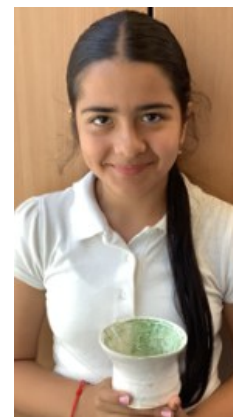
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POTTERY CLUB

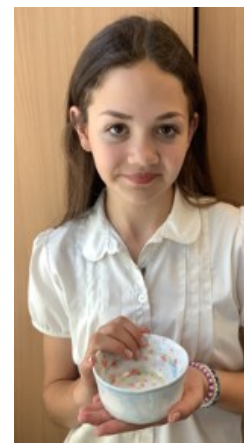
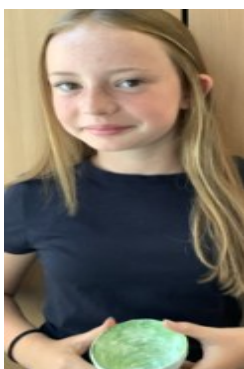


Our final batch of potters from Year 6 2025-2026!

Using a potter's wheel, they created their own pots before glazing them to produce these beautiful final pieces.



Well done, everyone!



YEAR 6 VS STAFF ROUNDERS



On Tuesday 14th July 2026, staff took to the field to compete against Year 6 in a game of rounders.

Well done to year 6 who won against the staff!

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ATHLETES IN SCHOOLS



On Monday 13th July, we had the privilege of being joined by Jadon Arthur, British Sprinter and Liam McGarry, Paralympic Powerlifter for our final Monday of the school year.

Jaden and Liam spent their day with staff and children, encouraging positive relations with physical activity and exploring what makes an athlete. The children took part in activities within allocated time slots with each Olympian, learning more about them and what inspired them to continue their sporting journey even when things got tough. The children thoroughly enjoyed being taught their PE lessons by the athletes and took part in a range of activities such as year 2 taking part in cone shark and sprint races.

Thank you for your generous donation's towards the Mini Marathon which made this Olympian visit possible.



JADON ARTHUR

BRITISH SPRINTER

PARIS 2024

LA 2028



**2026 BUCS GOLD 60M
MEDALIST
BUCS SILVER MEDAL
BUCS FINALIST
GB U23 NO.1 RANKED
UKA ONE-TO-WATCH
FUTURE OLYMPIAN**

FOLLOWING IN HIS FAMILIES SPRINTING FOOTSTEPS, JADON IS ON A MISSION TO SURPASS BROTHER REUBENS COMMONWEALTH GOLD MEDAL, BY CARVING OUT A STELLAR CAREER OF HIS OWN. DESPITE A LATE START INTO THE SPORT, HE IS SMASHING PERSONAL BESTS AND IN HIS FIRST FULL SEASON, BECAME A BUCS SILVER MEDALIST, RUNNING WITH A TIME THAT WOULD HAVE SEALED VICTORY IN EVERY OTHER YEAR OF THE COMPETITIONS CENTURY LONG HISTORY.

WITH ASPIRATIONS TO BECOME A SPORTS PSYCHOLOGIST AND ASSIST ATHLETES IN ACHIEVING THEIR GOALS, JADONS PRIMARY FOCUS IS TO MAKE IT TO THE LA 2028 OLYMPIC GAMES. AS THE TOP RANKED Y1 U23 ATHLETE IN THE UK AND PLANS TO MAKE HIS INTERNATIONAL DEBUT LATER THIS SEASON, WE HAVE HIGH HOPES FOR JADON.

ATHLETES
IN SCHOOLS



PARIS 2024



LIAM MCGARRY

PARALYMPIC POWERLIFTER



**PARALYMPIC FINAL
CMMNWLTH FINAL
WORLD CUP SILVER
BRITISH CHAMPION
PARIS 2024!**

AFTER 30 SURGERIES IN 3 YEARS, THE MOMENT LIAM'S 228KG LIFT WAS VERIFIED, THE CROWD BLEW THE ROOF OF THE PARIS ARENA. THE EXPLOSION OF EMOTION IS INCREDIBLE TO SEE AND PAYS TESTIMONY TO THE POWER OF SPORT & COMMUNITY. A SEMI-PRO FOOTBALLER WHO TURNED TO RUGBY, LIAM SUFFERED A DEVASTATING INJURY THAT INITIATED A SPIRAL OF ILLNESS AND INJURY. ALWAYS WILLING TO TAKE UP NEW CHALLENGES, LIAM ENTERED A SPINAL INJURY WEIGHT-LIFTING COMPETITION & WAS TALENT SPOTTED BY UK WEIGHT. WITH HIS NATURAL SPORTING PROWESS, HE QUICKLY BECAME THE UK'S LEADING POWERLIFTERS AND DESPITE RECURRENT SETBACKS, LIAM MANAGED TO MAKE THE COMMONWEALTH & WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS. HIS RESILIENCE, DETERMINATION AND RELENTLESS POSITIVITY IS A SHINING EXAMPLE TO STUDENTS AND HIS EXPERIENCE AS A MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER & EXCELLENT STORY-TELLER MAKES HIM A PERFECT CHOICE FOR YOUR EVENT.

On Thursday 3rd September 2026 children will return to school on Week 1.

Please ensure all school lunches are paid for in advance on ScoPay.

Please let the office staff know if there are any changes to your child's dietary needs.

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Lighter Bites



OUR LIGHTER LUNCH
OPTIONS OF JACKET
POTATO & HAM OR
CHEESE BAGUETTE
are available to
ALL PUPILS
everyday



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

WEEK 1

BUTCHERS CHICKEN NUGGETS
VEGETABLE NUGGETS
WITH CHIPS & BAKED BEANS
DESSERT -
WAFFLES & GOLDEN SYRUP

BEEF MEATBALLS
QUORN MEATBALLS
WITH FUSILLI PASTA IN A
HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE
DESSERT - HOMEMADE GOLDEN OAT
FLAPJACK

BUTCHERS ROAST CHICKEN
ROAST VEGAN FILLET
WITH ROAST POTATOES, YORKSHIRE
PUDDINGS, PEAS, CARROTS AND GRAVY
DESSERT - FRUIT JELLY & FRUIT
YOGURT

BEEF CHILLI
VEGETABLE CHILLI
WITH RICE AND SWEETCORN
DESSERT - HOMEMADE LEMON
DRIZZLE CAKE

FISH FINGERS
CHEESE OMELETTE
WITH POTATO WAFFLES & PEAS
DESSERT - ICE CREAM
FRESH FRUIT & YOGURT

WEEK 2

PEPPERONI PIZZA
CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA
WITH PASTA IN HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE
& SALAD BAR
DESSERT - CHOCOLATE SWIRL MOUSSE
FRESH FRUIT & YOGURT

BATTERED CHICKEN PIECES
QUORN DIPPERS
IN SWEET & SOUR SAUCE WITH RICE &
SWEETCORN
DESSERT - HOMEMADE CHOCOLATE CHIP
CAKE

BUTCHERS PORK SAUSAGES
VEGAN SAUSAGES
WITH MASH POTATO, YORKSHIRE
PUDDING, SEASONAL VEGETABLES &
GRAVY
DESSERT - FRUIT JELLY & FRUIT YOGURT

CHICKEN FAJITA WRAP
VEGAN FAJITA WRAP
WITH CRISPY CUBE POTATOES AND
SALAD BAR
DESSERT - HOMEMADE OAT FLAPJACK

FISH FINGERS
VEGETABLE FINGERS
WITH CHIPS & BAKED BEANS
DESSERT - HOMEMADE SPONGE CAKE
FRESH FRUIT & YOGURT

WEEK 3

BREADED CHICKEN BURGER
QUORN BURGER
WITH CHIPS & SPAGHETTI HOOP
DESSERT - STRAWBERRY MOUSS
FRESH FRUIT + YOGURT

SPAGHETTI CARBONARA WITH
CHEESE SAUCE & BACON PIECES
VEGETABLE PASTA BAKE
WITH PEAS
DESSERT - HOMEMADE
FLAPJACK

ALL DAY COOKED BREAKFAST
ALL DAY QUORN BREAKFAST
WITH HASH BROWNS AND
BAKED BEANS
DESSERT - FRUIT JELLY & FRUIT
YOGURT

STICKY BBQ CHICKEN
STICKY BBQ VEGAN PIECES
WITH RICE & SWEETCORN
DESSERT - AMERICAN PANCAKES
WITH GOLDEN SYRUP
FRESH FRUIT + YOGURT

FISH FINGERS
CHEDDAR WHIRL
WITH SMILEY FACES & PEAS
DESSERT - HOMEMADE ICED SPONGE
CAKE WITH SPRINKLES
FRUIT & YOGURT

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Growth Through Learning

WOW – Walk to School Challenge

For the 2025–2026 Academic Year

- **68% children have registered their journeys to school.**
- **90% of registered journeys are ACTIVE - walking, cycling, scooting park and stride.**
- **50,068 active journeys registered.**
- **3,717 badges awarded**

Most Active Classes at Merrylands :

Miss Gilmore 3MG

Mrs Almond 3TA

FREE BREAKFAST FOR SUMMER: MORRISONS AND KELLOGG'S TEAM UP TO FEED FAMILIES



Morrisons and Kellogg's have announced the return of their school holiday 'Breakfast Clubs', offering free meals to families across the UK to help ease the financial pressure over the summer holidays.

As schools close for the summer holidays, many parents face a financial pinch, with new research from Morrisons showing that more than half (54%) of parents feel the strain during the long summer period. In fact, "week three" of the school holidays is the critical tipping point where the financial impact is most acutely felt by households.

Almost half (48%) of parents also confessed they have been forced to skip meals entirely just to make ends meet and ensure their child does not go without – with breakfast being the number one thing cut from the menu.

Families visiting their local Morrisons Café throughout the summer holidays can enjoy a free 'Kellogg's Breakfast', which includes a bowl of cereal and a portion of fruit. The best part, it's not just for kids, adults get to eat completely free too.

Both kids and adults can choose from much-loved favourites Corn Flakes or Rice Krispies, topped with their choice of dairy or non-dairy milk and a free apple or banana. The summer holiday offer will be available from 29th June to 6th September across all Morrisons Cafes nationwide*.