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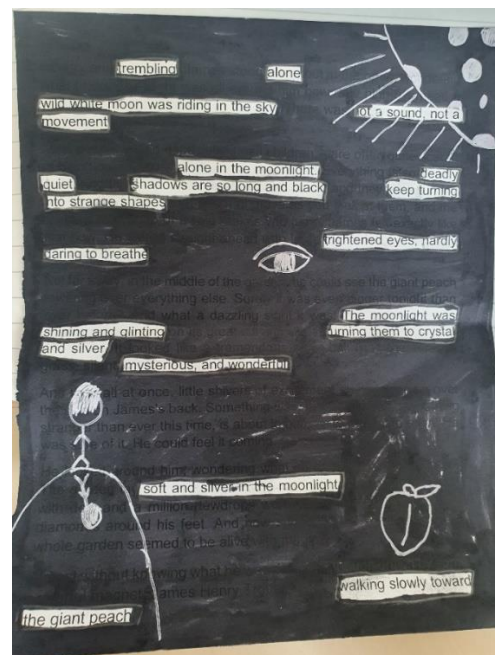
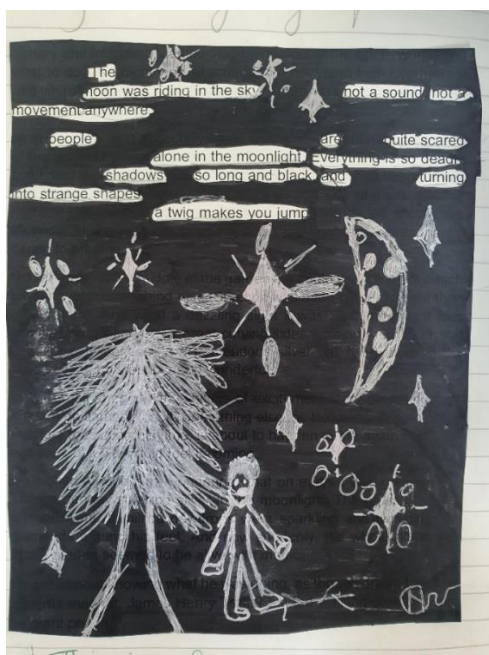
## FRIDAY BULLETIN

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Dear Parents and Carers

We were delighted to welcome our Merton Education Partner to our school this week. He spent time visiting classrooms, looking at work and talking to our pupils about their experiences of Remote Learning, and returning to school. He was very impressed by what he saw, and in particular, he commented about how calm and purposeful the learning environment is, and how polite and articulate our pupils are. We are delighted by the feedback we received.

This week saw the grand opening of our new stage. We are so grateful to Savills Estate Agents and HOTS for their generous sponsorship of our stage.

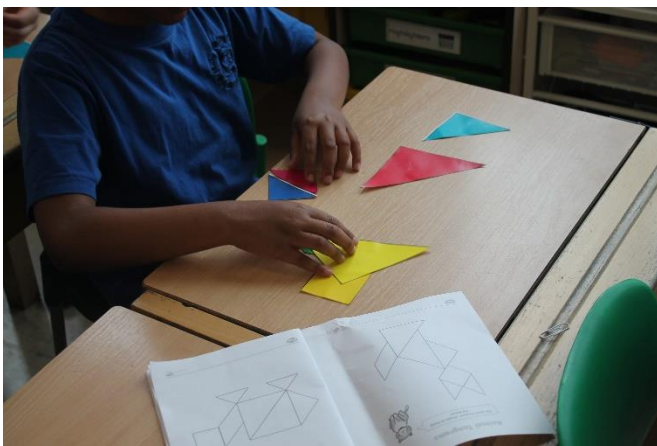








Year 6 explored Fibonacci numbers in nature. They then created their own animal drawings using the proportions of the Golden Rectangle.



More London Maths Week photographs

### Year 6 Athletics Competition 2021

Miss Banks just wanted to say what a fantastic day it was at the Year 6 Athletics. The Year 6 children made her very proud and 'brought it home' for Holy Trinity. Lots of medals were awarded and they all tried their hardest in all their events, showing determination and perseverance. The support which they showed towards each other was phenomenal and we ended the morning with 2 golds in both the girls and boys relay. To top it off we were lucky enough to meet Claire Balding and of course have a photo!







### **COVID Update and Reminders**

As you will have seen from the news, the number of COVID cases is on the increase again, especially in school-aged children. Whilst the guidance is still to get your child tested if they have a temperature of 37.8°C or above, a persistent cough, or a lack of taste or smell, the Delta variant seems to come with other symptoms too. Merton Public Health have advised us to inform you that if you or your child has a headache, sore throat, fatigue, or even vomiting/diarrhoea, then these may also now be COVID symptoms, and should be tested via a PCR test.

If anyone in your household is awaiting test results, then all members of the household should self-isolate until the results are through. If the PCR test result is negative, then of course children may return to school.

Up to a quarter of Merton schools have had to close bubbles – let's be extra vigilant in these last few weeks. Thank you so much for your support.

### **Film Afternoon and DONS Food Collection**

As we weren't able to do our usual Lent appeal this year, our House Captains, and Miss Smythe, have been busy planning a film afternoon and food collection to raise money for the DONS Local Action group. The children have seen an assembly about it, and further information will be sent in a Parentmail on Monday. Each class will have their own film afternoon (classes will vote for the film they wish to see) during the school day next **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July**. Children may come dressed up on Friday, as their favourite movie character, and may bring in their own snack of popcorn or crisps to eat. For the privilege of this we will be asking for donations (via Parentmail) towards the DONS Local Action Group. Details of how to donate will be sent via Parentmail on Monday.

In addition to monetary donations, we would be grateful for any imperishable food donations, particularly tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned fruit/vegetables or pulses. The items will be collected during the day on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. A box will be placed in the welcome area for any donations. Thank you so much for your support.

### **Year 6 Production – Change of Date**

Thank you to our Year 6 parents for being so patient regarding news about the production. We have made the decision to postpone the production by one week, so that it will now take place after 19<sup>th</sup> July, in the hope that the guidance will allow us to have a live audience. We are still waiting for this guidance to come through. If we are allowed a live audience, it is very likely that numbers will be limited, and strict COVID safety measures will be in place.

The performances will now take place during the evening of **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July** and **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July**. I do apologise if this causes any inconvenience to you. We will send out further information about this early next week.

### **Junior Travel Ambassadors**

Our Junior Travel Ambassadors have been busy beaver away in our school, promoting environmentally friendly ways of travelling to school. They have written the attached newsletter, which gives you further information about their work. Thank you to Mrs Raincock and our JTAs for their amazing work this year.

### **First News**

Our school is partnered with First News – the UK's only newspaper for young people. It is read and loved by over 2.6 million children each week in schools and home across the UK, and has been shown to improve reading and comprehension skill. Reporting on the big news stories from the UK and around the world, First News explains current events in a way children can understand and enjoy.

We also have a school subscription, that our teachers utilise for news-based learning, helping our pupils' core reading, writing and oracy skills.

To make things even better, by becoming one of their partner schools, we have been given an introductory offer for our parents - try First News free for 6 weeks and if you continue to subscribe after your free trial, we will get money back to put towards our school. They will **20% of your subscription fee to our school** for the lifetime of the subscription.

For more information or to sign up for a no obligation free trial please use this link <http://first.news/partner-mpfxt> to ensure any paid subscriptions are correctly allocated to our school. There is also a flyer containing more information attached.

This is a fantastic opportunity to get your kids reading at home while helping the school raise money. Thank you.

### **Class Funds and Governors Capital Fund Donations**

Thank you to those of you who have already paid Governors Capital Fund and Class Funds donations this summer. We are so grateful for your contributions as these have enabled us to complete much needed renovation works to various parts of the building, to buy consumable items such as art materials for the classes, and to book as many off-site trips and internal workshops as possible this summer.

If you haven't yet made a contribution and you are able to, we would be very grateful. Please log into ParentMail and visit 'payments' then 'shop'. Don't forget to tick the Gift Aid box if you are eligible. Thank you in advance.

### **Kitchen Roll Donations**

Thank you for your continued generosity to the school. Any donations of kitchen roll would be gratefully received.

### **Merton Music Foundation Music Groups**

Is your child having instrumental lessons? Merton Music Foundation run a whole range of groups and ensembles for all standards and ages. On the morning of Saturday 17 July, they are running a Play Day. It's aimed at children who have just started to learn an instrument and who would like the chance to play in an ensemble. For more details and to book, follow the link <https://mmf.org.uk/playday/>

If your child has been learning for longer and is of a Grade 1 or higher standard then have a look at what groups are on offer <https://mmf.org.uk/southwimbledon/>

If you would like any advice, please speak to Mrs Quinn.

### **Attached/Linked items:**

- Junior Travel Ambassador Newsletter
- First News flyer

## Term dates for 2021-2022

### Autumn Term 2021

- First day: Wednesday 1 September 2021  
(INSETs Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> so children back Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>)
- Last day: Friday 17 December 2021
- Half term: Monday 25 October to Friday 29 October 2021

### Spring Term 2022

- First day: Tuesday 4 January 2022  
(INSET Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> so children back Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>)
- Last day: Friday 1 April 2022
- Half term: Monday 14 February to Friday 18 February 2022

### Summer Term 2022

- First day: Tuesday 19 April 2022
- Last day: Friday 22 July 2022
- Half term: Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June 2022  
(INSETs Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, so children end Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July)

As further dates are added, these will be highlighted.

Date	Time	Event
9 <sup>th</sup> July		End of Year Reports issued
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> July		Art Week and <b>Outdoor Learning Day</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> July		Transition afternoon – children will meet their next class teacher
20 <sup>th</sup> /21 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>Evening</b>	<b>Year 6 Production NB Change of date</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup> July		Leaver's Service and Term ends
23 <sup>rd</sup> July		INSET day

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Izzy Rickards