



Merry Hill Matters

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Welcome back to school after what I hope has been a happy Easter Holiday for all our families. We are now two thirds of the way through this academic year and look forward to many exciting activities and events for children, parents and friends of the school during what will be a very long, and busy, Summer Term.

Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to the Friends of Merry Hill for organising a very successful Easter Egg Hunt on the last afternoon of term. A good time was had by all.

Staff stranded abroad

Parents may be aware that we have had three members of staff stranded abroad because of the chaos caused by volcanic ash. Luckily Mrs Combridge made it back home from Prague on Wednesday and Mrs Kamintzis is hoping to be back from Tenerife by the weekend. Mrs Perry has the longest journey of all, from Australia, but we are hoping to see her towards the end of next week. Mrs Perry's class is being covered by Mrs Goodwin, who usually teaches in Reception on Fridays, so knows the children well.

Second Hand Uniform

If you are interested in buying second hand uniform, please contact Julie McLean (Reception) on 0208 386 1158.

Year 2 Transfer to Ashfield Junior

Decisions about whether or not to mix the two Year 2 classes when they transfer to Ashfield in September are made by Mrs Dalziel. Mrs Dalziel will advise you in July.

Curriculum Information to Parents

The teachers will be writing to you shortly to let you know just what your child will be learning this term. Don't forget that this information will also be available on our school website www.merryhill.org.uk

Diary Dates

You will find a list of Diary Dates for the Summer Term on the back of this newsletter. Please keep it somewhere safe, but if you do mislay it, you can also find it on the school website: www.merryhill.org.uk

Park and Walk Scheme Launched

Our Chair of Governors, Paul Abrahams, has been in conversation with Bushey Golf Club, and they have kindly agreed to let parents park their cars in their car park in the mornings (at the entrance/exit end) so that you can then walk to school. Please do try to park at the Golf Club as much as you can in the mornings so that the children enjoy the benefits of walking and, at the same time, help keep the entrance to the school clear from cars and safer for children crossing the road to enter the school.

Hertfordshire Constabulary

To support the new Park and Walk Scheme, Bushey Police are working with us to enforce considerate, and legal, parking. Police will be patrolling School Lane before and after school. Cars that are parked in a way that has caused an unnecessary obstruction will be given a warning ticket and the details will be recorded at Bushey Police Station. If you or your vehicle have received a warning before then you will be issued with a £30 fine. If you have any questions or comments please contact Bushey Police Station on 01923 472712.

Last but not least, Mr Whitaker has sent the following message:

Dear Parents and Children of Merry Hill

Just to say a big thank you for your kind thoughts and messages on my retirement. Also many thanks for your generosity, it was very much appreciated. I wish you all the very best for the future and once again, thank you all. Jim Whitaker

Pauline Hannibal
Headteacher

