

BEDIFFERENT BULLETIN



15th December 2025

Dear Families,

The BeScavenging Differently WINNERS!

The TfL Explore Ambassadors were very excited to have planned their first competition that encouraged more children to walk to school, whilst scavenging for various items. The number of entries received was phenomenal. The team had a tough time deciding which entries would be the winning ones. I am pleased to announce the winning entries. The children have already received their prize.



Waterproof Walkers WINNERS	
Beckham	Adam
Mozart	Inaya
Presley	Larisa
Monet	Fifi



Year 6 visit to the Oasis Church

Our Year 6 children had a lovely time visiting the Oasis church where they learnt about the Christmas story and the importance of it to the people of the Christian faith. Additionally, there was a range of creative activities for the children to engage in. They enjoyed making delicious mince pies!



Playground Activity Leader's

Our PAL's have been working hard to think of more sporting games for the children to engage in, across the lunchtime period. They had a training session where they were taught how to play bean bag boccia. It has been great seeing them teach other children how to play this game. Well done to the PAL's!



'Are you a Mathlete?' top 3 WINNERS!

We are happy to announce the results of the first four rounds of the top 3 'Are you a Mathlete' winners! Well done to these winning classes so far. It has been great to see our Year 1 Class reach the top 3 this half term! We look forward to giving out the well-deserved certificates in assembly. I look forward to seeing who the WINNING class will be next week.



Week	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Week 1	Rowling 10,702 (avg 412)	Gates 16,411 (avg 410)	Presley 8,134 (avg 325)
Week 2	Rowling 20,588 (avg 792)	Luther King 16,852 (avg 674)	Presley 11,839 (avg 474)
Week 3	Luther King 14,410 (avg 1,211)	Presley 11,034 (avg 441)	Gates 12,787 (avg 320)
Week 4	Rowling 10,330 (avg 397)	Luther King 8,986 (avg 359)	Kingsley 7,570 (avg 301)

Playground Peacemakers

Our Playground Peacemakers have been working hard this term to help resolve minor conflicts on the playground. They have engaged in meaningful conversations with the children where they have needed to listen to two sides of a playground dispute in order to help. They have helped children take it in turns to speak about what has happened, how it made them feel and what can be done to resolve the situation. The Playground Peacemakers help children to understand that it is not about winner or losing and that it is quite normal for conflict to happen.



Christmas Lunch

The children enjoyed a delicious Christmas Lunch last week which was prepared by our fabulous BeFed Differently team. The children wore their Christmas jumpers and enjoyed a roast with all of the trimmings. The lunch was delicious. Thank you to our wonderful BeFed Differently team for making this lunchtime experience so memorable for the children.



Christmas After School Club event

The children had a wonderful time during this event. They enjoyed creative activities, decorating biscuits, playing pass the parcel, musical bumps and much more! We can't wait for the next themed event!



Jingle Beats and BeDifferent Feets

The children from Years 3 to 6 had a wonderful time performing to families last week. They were able to show us their many talents whilst they sang and danced. It was simply AMAZING!



We now look forward to our younger children performing to families for the **Cosmopolitan Christmas** this week where the children will be sending you on a magical journey to Austria, Ireland and Greece.

The children have learned songs and carols in another language and will be performing traditional dances to represent the different cultures. We know that this is going to be a blast!

Wilson Wellbeing Centre Food Bank

We are pleased to invite local families to access the **Wilson Wellbeing Centre Food Bank**, which is open to anyone in need within the Merton borough. **No ID is required**, and families are welcome to collect a **food parcel once every fortnight**.

Location:

Wilson Wellbeing Centre
The Wilson Hospital
Cranmer Road
Mitcham
CR4 4TP

Opening Times:

- Monday - Thursday: 10:00 – 16:30
- Friday: 09:30 – 16:30

Getting here:

The centre is a short walk from Mitcham town centre. Nearby bus routes typically include services via London Road and Western Road, providing easy access for local families. On-site and nearby street parking is also available.



Class	Percentage %
Holmes AM	66%
Holmes Full Time	64%
Beckham	89%
Kingsley	89%
Potter	93%
Mozart	98%
Luther King	97%
Rowling	96%
Presley	94%
Monet	98%
Gates	94%

Attendance

As you will all be aware, every child's attendance is tracked very carefully and we do this because our job is to make sure that your child receives the education that they deserve. We know and can see that if a child misses more than 4% of school a year, they will not reach the educational standard expected of them and their attitude to school is at risk of becoming negative and challenging.

Our attendance target for this academic year is now 96%, which is the national average.

We have had a little illness this last week so we are hoping that all of the children will be back for this last week of learning and fun.

Key Dates

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas Fair from 3.15 pm

Thursday 18th December – Last day of term for Nursery

Friday 19th December – School finishes at 1.00 pm

Monday 5th January – First day back for all children

We wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year!

Mrs Bull and Miss Akhtar



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