

Dear Parents,

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Asalamu alaikum

I pray this letter finds you in the best of health and eeman.

I am sure you have all had a well-deserved break.

As we come to the middle of the academic year, and begin the second half of this term. We would like to take this opportunity to inform parents of the events that have taken place at school since the start of the Spring Term.

As mentioned in my last letter the school had submitted the action plan to the DfE, however to date there has been no more correspondence from them.

What we have worked on so far this term:

Primary:		
1.	Teaching and Learning monitoring through – <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Weekly scheduled and unscheduled lesson observations by SLT and Governors</li><li>• Weekly Learning walks by SLT and Governors</li><li>• Weekly workbook scrutiny's (checks) for writing and Maths Mastery by SLT and Governors</li></ul>	Feedback given to teachers with targets set for areas of improvement
2.	SLT and Governors worked on editing and updating the school's Curriculum Policy in line with the school action plan	Policy has been updated and shared with parents?
3.	Foundation subjects teaching change – Timetable change	Geography, History, Art & DT being taught as separate subjects
Early Years Provision:		
1.	Outdoor area improvements made to ensure Mathematics and Literacy learning is happening outdoors in context	For example, labelling bikes with numbers and matching numbers put up in the bike parking area
2.	More opportunities for art provision in the Early Years classrooms	Paint boards put up in each classroom and outdoors
3.	Puzzles and resources purchased for Early Years as advised by the Merton Early Years advisor	Purchased before half term - February 2018
4.	Reception teacher moderation training	Attended by Reception teacher in January
5.	Key worker training for Phonics, Assessment and writing	January / February 2018
6.	Teachers visit to an outstanding Early Years setting	January 2018

What we will be focusing on over the next few months –

Primary:		
1.	School monitoring visit from the Merton school improvements team to ensure the Primary department of the school is	

	making the required improvement	
2.	Greater depth in writing training for teachers	
3.	Moderation service brought in to ensure the end of year outcomes are audited correctly	
4.	Year 2 and Year 6 English and Mathematics teachers to attend moderation meetings with Merton borough schools	March 2018
5.	British institution and People who help us week	February 2018
Early Years:		
1.	SEN and Safeguarding school Audit by Merton borough	March 2018
2.	Reception Moderation by Merton Borough	March 2018
3.	Mathematics training	March 2018
4.	Moderation and agreement trailing	May 2018
5.	Reception to Year 1 Transition policy to be set and implemented from May	March 2018

We expect another visit from Ofsted at any time and we look forward to sharing our improvements with them and we look forward to another productive half term in'shaa Allah.

We endeavour to keep parents updated regularly in'shaa Allah.

May Allah accept our deeds as ibadah and make Him pleased with us. Ameen.

Jazak Allah khair

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