

Welcome to Morden Mount Primary School -- Where potential comes alive!

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I can't believe we are into the final half-term, this academic year has gone by so quickly!

The Yr6 SATs are now out of the way (a huge thank-you to the Yr6 team and the Yr6 children for working so hard and not forgetting Yr6 parents for their continuing commitment and support). Yr6 are now looking forward to going out on exciting trips and rehearsing their end of term performance.

The friends of Morden Mount are planning for the Morden Mount Summer Fair on Friday June 28th; all contributions and offers of support are welcome.

Please see the events calendar at the end of the newsletter as this half-term is packed with trips, sports days and a range of assemblies.

Miss Chapman
Head of School

We are excited to announce that Forest school has been relaunched at Morden Mount. Miss Birkby is taking a group of Reception children out over the next few weeks. The children have loved exploring Minibeasts in their natural habitats. The children have had the opportunity to explore in all weathers and even the rain hasn't stopped us! We look forward to taking more groups of children next school year.

Miss Birkby and Mrs Mahoney



Year 6: Summer of Creative and Performing Arts

Following an exhaustive week of SATs examinations our year 6 pupils have been exploring learning through creative sessions

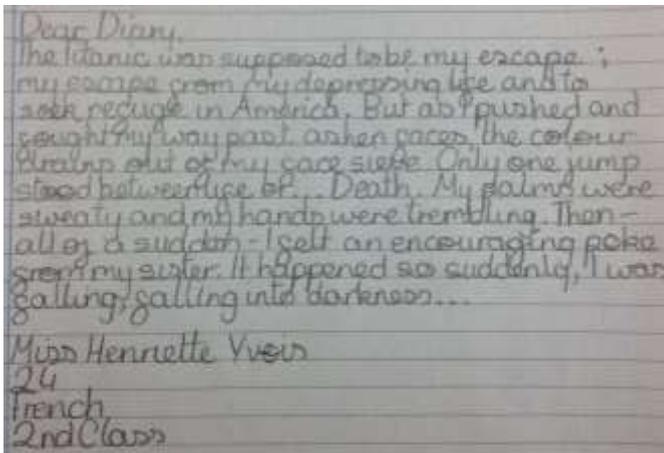
On Thursday 6th June, we visited Greenwich library to participate in a performance of Shakespeare's *Midsummer's Night Dream*. The hour-long play, a collaboration with three other schools, gave our pupils the opportunity to re-enact a Shakespeare play with the style of Circular theatre, using a range of costumes. As usual, our pupils exuded great confidence and clear understanding of the demands of the roles.

Our visit, to the Maritime Museum on Monday, 10th June was equally inspiring. Handed tickets with names of real people who experienced the Titanic disaster, we boarded the ship in the first, second and third class respectively. Reliving the experience helped US to appreciate the magnitude of the disaster.

In our History and English lessons, on Natural disasters, points are gathering as to whether the sinking of the Titanic should be considered a human error or a natural disaster. Writings emanating from this historical discussions will be displayed in our classroom and you are welcome to view them.



We look forward to seeing you



Year 2 had a fantastic day today at the Florence Nightingale Museum at St Thomas's Hospital. We got to meet Florence herself and learnt more about her life as she guided us through the different exhibitions. We even got to try on Victorian nurse and soldier outfits!

Miss Evans

Year 2 Class Teacher/Assistant Head teacher



Choir performance at the Royal Greenwich Singing Spectacular

Morden Mount School Choir stole the show at the Blackheath Concert Halls on Tuesday 21st May and have made Morden Mount very proud!

The choir of Year 4, 5 and 6 children worked extremely hard on their preparations for this huge event involving 8 other schools, a professional vocal ensemble and band.

The children have been attending weekly then daily rehearsals at school. On the day, they rehearsed along with the other schools in singing 4 joint songs. They then had time to perfect the performance of our own individual song - an Acapella arrangement of Bob Marley's 'One Love'. The commitment of the children leading up to the concert and their energy during the evening produced an exceptional musical performance. There were many compliments paid by the huge audience including a parent from another school, 'I just have to say, yours was amazing!'

My thanks go to Mr Springman for all his support both musically and in pizza preparation! Thanks also to Ms Chapman for promoting the Choir so enthusiastically and listening proudly on the night. Thank you to all parents who came to the concert to support our children.

Most importantly, thank you Choir children for being amazing!

Ms Naylor
Music Co-ordinator

Date	Event	Time
Tuesday 2 nd July	Parents of children starting Reception in September 2019 have been invited to our open morning to meet the Reception class staff (RJM)	9am
Tuesday 2 nd July	KS2 parents are invited to our Music performance in the Main Hall! Entry will be via the car park so please be seated by 2.25pm!!	2.30pm
Wednesday 3 rd July	Parents of children starting Reception in September 2019 have been invited to our open morning to meet the Reception class staff (RSV)	9am
Wednesday 3 rd July	KS1 Sports day will take place in the Junior playground. Due to safeguarding of our children, the gate on Lewisham Road will be open from 10am – 10.15am; there will be NO ENTRY TO THE SCHOOL AFTER 10.15AM! Please ensure you arrive in good time!	10.15am
Wednesday 3 rd July	Nursery and Reception Moontime exhibition will take place in the Drama Hall. Parents may collect their child/older siblings from 3.15pm; please ensure you collect them from the external classroom doors. Refreshments will be available in the Main Hall.	2.30pm – 3.25pm
Wednesday 3 rd July	Year 1 and Year 2 Moontime exhibition will take place in the Drama Hall. Refreshments will be available in the Main Hall. ALL BOOSTERS AND AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS ARE CANCELLED	3.30pm – 4.25pm
Thursday 4 th July	Year 3 – 6 Moontime exhibition will take place in the Drama Hall. Refreshments will be available in the Main Hall. BOOSTERS AND AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS ARE CANCELLED	3.30pm – 4.25pm
Friday 5 th July	Year 3 and Year 4 Sports day will take place in the Junior playground. Due to safeguarding of our children, the gate on Lewisham Road will be open until 9.15am - There will be NO ENTRY TO THE SCHOOL AFTER 9.15AM! Please ensure you arrive in good time!	9.15am
Friday 5 th July	Year 5 and Year 6 Sports day will take place in the Junior playground. Due to safeguarding of our children, the gate on Lewisham Road will be open from 1.30pm – 1.45pm; there will be NO ENTRY TO THE SCHOOL AFTER 1.45PM! Please ensure you arrive in good time!	1.45pm

Registration for Bexley selection tests for entry to grammar school in September 2020 closes on 7th July 2019.
Register online at www.bexley.gov.uk/selectiontests.

Friends of Morden Mount is a committee run by dedicated parents and carers. Our aim is to bring parents together to organise fun activities for parents and children and at the same time raise some funds for the school.

How to get involved?

We welcome anyone who wants to join us in whatever way works for you – you don't need to commit loads of time to be a fantastic addition to our team. We are all busy, so here are some ideas for getting involved:

Join the committee! We meet regularly to plan events, brainstorm new activities and more. Children are welcome so get in touch if you want to come along to one of our meetings!

Become a year rep! Reps are the voice for each year group, whipping up support and feeding back to the committee. Doesn't involve much time commitment but is a great resource.

Volunteer for events! Every event we rely on volunteers to make it a success, from planning and preparation to setting up, tidying away, etc.

Share your talents! Do you have fundraising ideas? Perhaps you can help in the job you do? Are you a face-painter? Are you a designer? We are always open to suggestions!

Meet the team

We would like to introduce ourselves: Liz Pinel (Secretary). She has two children, the oldest one is in Year 1; Rudolf van Koningsveld (Chair), with a child in Year 2, another in Reception and one child at home; Nodia Miller, whose daughter is in Year 3; Jane Otto (Treasurer) who has two children, the oldest in Nursery. We also have support from Ms Birkby, the Reception class teacher; she liaises between the committee and the school. If you'd like to join us, please get in touch!



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MOBILE PHONES, GAMES CONSOLES, ETC.

Just a reminder that children should **not** bring items (games, toys, books, etc.) from home into school – we accept no responsibility for these items. Whilst children should not bring mobile phones to school we understand that some parents feel the need to provide children in years 5 and 6 with phones for added security; this may be because they are travelling quite a distance to school on public transport. Children are requested to switch their phone off upon arrival to school and hand it in to the class teacher/teaching assistant; there is no legal obligation for schools to look after the phones and we take no responsibility for their safekeeping. **Please do not allow your child to bring in or wear any smart watches or smart devices!**

SIGN UP TO THE METRO

The Morden Mount Metro will be sent only to those who have signed up to our GDPR-compliant mailing list, as data protection regulations mean that any parent/carer who has not given specific permission for us to use their email address to circulate school notices (including the Metro) will not receive them. Please sign up at <http://eepurl.com/gd9soL>.