



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

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Dear parents,

Welcome to the end of the Spring term newsletter.

The end of the term always gives us a chance to reflect on our achievements over the last few months and, at the end of this term, we can all be proud of our learning. We can also be proud of our excellent approach:

Our pupils have ...

- demonstrated great perseverance, rising to every challenge when learning at home and in school;
- shown respect for every member of our community by following the rules that keep us all safe, forming socially distanced lines and washing hands thoroughly;
- made the most of every opportunity, even when things have seemed a little challenging;
- developed their understanding by learning new facts and developing their skills through their learning at home and in school;
- reflected on the democratic nature of actions, we are all equal and have to work together so that we all stay safe and achieve great things!

Morden Mount's values have been shown through our every action.

The rules about socialising will change over the holiday. We thank our families for following these rules and for helping to keep us all safe.

We wish you all a safe and happy school holiday and look forward to seeing everyone on the first day of the summer term – Monday 19th April 2021.

Mr Harris
Executive Head teacher

Miss Chapman
Head of School

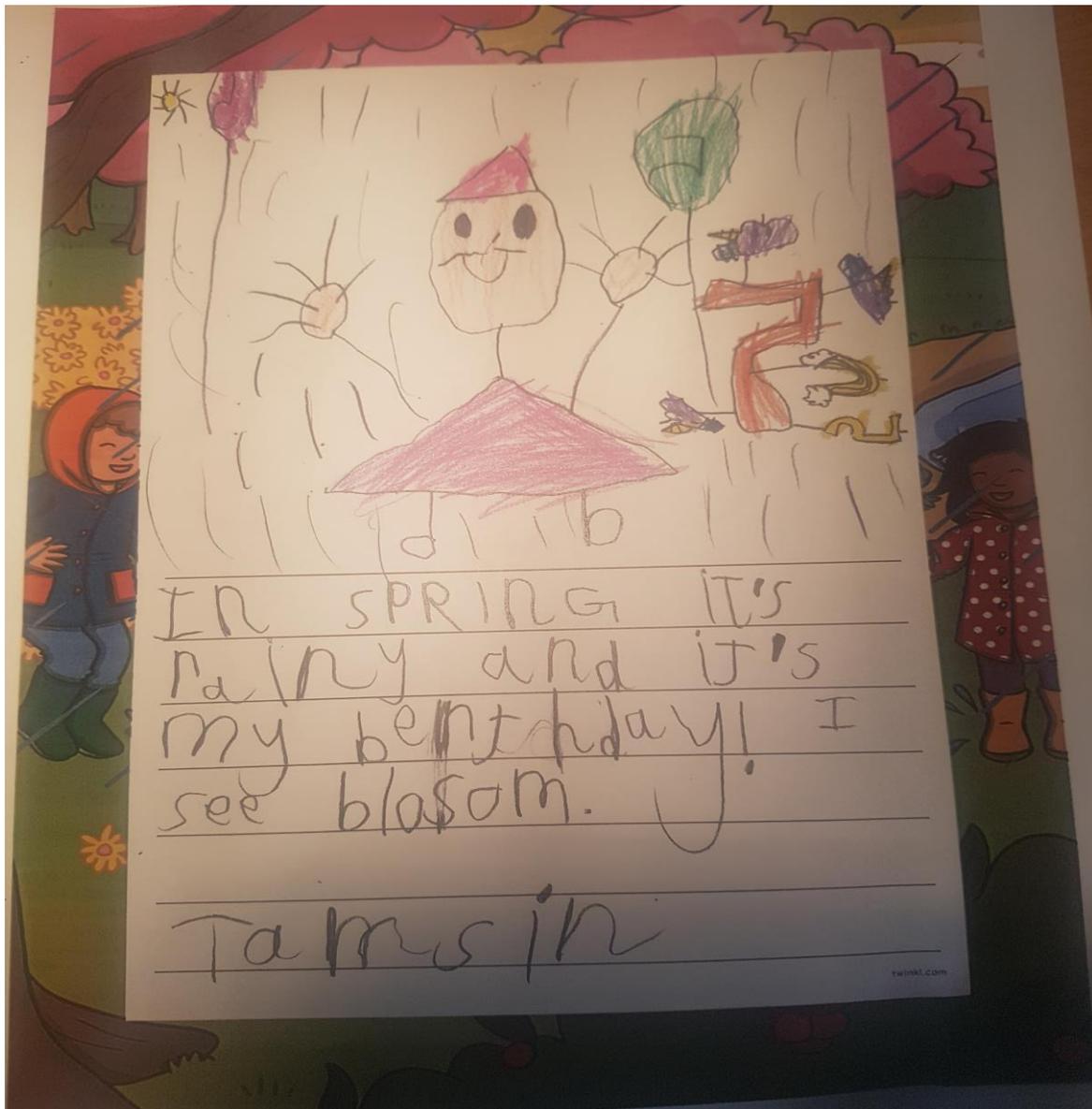
Mrs Okhani
Deputy Head of School

It's been an exciting 3½ weeks of learning and fun. As expected, our pupils were so excited to be back in school and demonstrated great motivation.

Teachers across the school have praised them for their resilience and enthusiasm for learning. We are very proud of the way they have walked into school, daily, ready to learn and to give their best.

It has been an amazing Spring term!

This is a piece of writing from one of our pupils in Reception.



We hope, just like this pupil, that you see the “blossom of new beginnings” in the atmosphere as you go about enjoying the school holidays!

THE NATIONAL TUTORING PROGRAMME

and how your child's school can get involved

Thanks to parents who have given their consent for their children to participate in the National Tutoring programme.

We are currently collating a time table and will be in touch soon. Please continue to check your emails for further information from the school.

Please note that, currently, we are only able to extend the online tutoring to pupils in years 3, 4 and 5, as we have established a very robust learning support and intervention system within the school for other year groups.

You can access further information about the National Tutoring programme via this link: <https://forms.gle/5ovwgTv4BJghSziG6>

On Friday 19th March 2021, we celebrated Red Nose day and things looked a little different this year.

Our theme for the day was superheroes and it was, indeed, inspiring to see our pupils dressed up as doctors, nurses, paramedics, carers, teachers, police officers and grocers!



We were very happy to see that our pupils recognize and celebrate the contribution and commitment of members of our community. We raised £360.00; many thanks to all for their generous contribution.

We would like to thank the Children's Book Project for donating boxes of books to our school.

This is part of their project, which seeks to ensure book ownership by every child across the country.

We were delighted to receive the books and have shared them out to our pupils to enjoy as part of their Spring holiday.



In the summer term we are looking at using our expanse of outdoor space for exciting learning experiences. Some finishing touches work has been scheduled for the Easter holidays, to ensure that these spaces are ready for our use. Summer is always an exciting time in our school, because all our English, Maths, History, Geography and Science topics - habitats, rivers, volcanoes, forest school and sports - all become live experiences. Every space within our school environment turns into a learning zone. We cannot wait to welcome a sizzling summer of learning and fun; meanwhile, at home, remember to get into some of the fun apps you have been using in school.



SPELLING SHED is a spelling drill experience where pupils can choose from three stages, or reading levels. Pupils have told us how much they enjoy using the Spelling shed to further develop their spellings. They can practice spelling or play the Bee Keeper game.

We currently have a Leader board in school where pupils can proudly share their experiences and performances with others.

Join the Spelling community!



TTROCK stars seems to be everyone's favourite at the moment. The performances and speed with which pupils are recalling their tables and responding to challenging questions are just incredible! If you are yet to become a member of the TTROCKSTARS team, please get on to it; get yourself on to the top of the Leader board while learning your times tables.



TERM DATES

Term Dates 2020-2021(remaining)

Summer Term 2021

Monday 19th April – first day of Summer Term (Note: pupils return on this date, there is NO INSET training day at the start of term)

Thursday 6th May – School closed for INSET training day 5 (Note: the school will be used as a polling station)

Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June – Spring Half Term

Friday 23rd July – Last day of Summer Term

Term Dates 2021-2022

Autumn Term 2021

Wednesday 1st September – first day of Autumn Term – INSET training day 1, pupils do not attend

Thursday 2nd September – Pupils return to school

Friday 22nd October – INSET training day 2, pupils do not attend

Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October – Autumn Half Term

Monday 1st November 2021 – Friday 17th December 2021

Monday 20th December to Monday 3rd January – Christmas Holiday

Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 4th January – INSET training day 3, pupils do not attend

Wednesday 5th January – Pupils return to school

Monday 14th February to Friday 18th February – Spring Half Term

Monday 4th April to Monday 18th April – Easter Holiday

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19th April – INSET Training day 4, pupils do not attend

Wednesday 20th April – Pupils return to school

Monday 2nd May – May Day bank holiday

Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June – Summer Half Term

Friday 22nd July – Last day of Summer Term

Note: INSET training day 5 for the 2021-2022 academic year has not yet been set. This will be held in reserve so that it can be used if the school is used as a polling station in Summer 2022

Should your child receive a positive test result for COVID-19 during the Easter holiday, you must still contact info@mordenmount.greenwich.sch.uk, giving your child's name, class & date of test, as we need to collect test results so that we can inform any close contacts.

Breakfast club: parents/carers are required to book by 2pm on Thursday for the following week, by calling the school on 008 692 2920. Parents/carers will not be able to just bring their child to Breakfast club on the day. Breakfast club remains at £2.00 per day per child, payable online via your Schoolcomms on line payment account. We are unable to accommodate Nursery children in Breakfast club.

Afterschool club: available Monday to Friday, 3.15 – 6pm; run by Bree's Little Stars, an independent provider, who uses our Nursery block to accommodate the children. Please contact them directly on 8465 5263 or info@breeslittlestars.co.uk

A reminder that video content produced by the school and placed on Showbie / Tapestry must **not** be shared.

This also applies to live sessions, which must **not** be recorded at home.

We thank everyone for their support in this.

You are invited to attend our virtual parents support workshops, which include new content to support keeping children safe with parenting tips. The available slots for these sessions are:

Option 1 – Wednesdays at 1.30pm Meeting ID: 981 3815 4173 Passcode: 949748

Option 2 – Fridays at 10.00am Meeting ID: 954 9050 7238 Passcode: 271962

We are looking forward to continuing our partnership with parents for the well-being of all our children and their families.

Mrs F Akingbalogun
Genesis Impact

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Please sign up at <http://eepurl.com/gd9sol>.

How to get involved?



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. We welcome anyone who wants to join us in whatever way works for you! 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: Dianna Smith (Secretary) has a girl in year 4 and a boy in year 2; Salma Sufian (Vice-Chair) has a boy in year 4; Liz Pinel (Treasurer) has two girls - one in year 3 and one in Reception; Kobus Fritz (Communications Manager) has three children, a boy in year 7, a girl in year 3 and a little boy at home; Hannah Conway (Arts Coordinator) has twin girls in year 1; Rudolf van Koningsveld (Chair) has a girl in year 4, a boy in year 2 and a girl in Reception.



We also have support from Ms Birkby. She liaises between the committee and the school. If you'd like to join us or volunteer during events, please get in touch.

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