

Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

1st February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

During this cold spell, we thank you for ensuring your children come to school with warm coats and gloves, wearing sensible shoes. We do our best to give the children outdoor play in the very cold weather, so please continue to send them in well wrapped up.

In the upcoming terms, we are aiming to broaden the children's learning experiences through educational visits linked to the curriculum. This was suggested by you in the parental survey at the end of last term. There is a cost involved and school will subsidise these trips as much as our limited budget allows. Please can you ensure that the reply slips and contributions are returned in good time, so that your child can benefit from these fantastic learning opportunities and we can continue to offer more exciting activities.

Finally, I have been visiting the classes to listen to the children reading and I have been pleased with their enthusiasm for the new books we have purchased. We will be having an 'Extreme Reading' photo competition over half term. We will send you a letter with full details

in the near future.

Michelle A. Wright

Thank you for your support.



What's Happening....

New Lunch Menu Week 2

Monday

Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra

After school clubs: Cross Country
FirstClass@Number
Success@Arithmetic

Tuesday

Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra
Table tennis Years 5&6

After school clubs:
Football training Years 3&4 *new members*

Wednesday

Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra
Dodgeball Years 3&4

After school clubs: Netball Years 5&6
Success@Arithmetic
FirstClass@Number

Thursday

Firehorse Theatre company delivering
Anti-Bullying show
5CSwimming

Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra
Dodgeball Years 5&6

After school clubs:
Football training Years 5&6
Success@Arithmetic
FirstClass@Number

Friday

Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra

After school clubs: Football Team
training
Street Dance

Save the dates....

Tuesday 26th February
NSPCC Assembly

Friday 1st March

Pyjama Day to raise money for NSPCC

Monday 18th March

Online safety sessions for parents



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Adverse Weather and Emergency School Closures

School closures will be published on our website, on the Essex County Council website and posted on our School App. Please check these websites regularly in the event of heavy snow or adverse weather.

In the rare event that the school has to close due to adverse weather we will let you know by:

- * Publishing information on our school website.
- * Tweeting on Twitter.
- * Posting on our School App.

We are Recruiting for a Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. This is an exciting opportunity for you to play an integral part in our school. The role is rewarding and is a great way to give back to your school and the local community. A governor's key roles are to ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction, to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and to oversee the financial performance of the school. Alongside this role, you will be required to attend at least 6 meetings per year which take place outside of school time during the evening.

You don't need any specific qualifications to be a school governor but it is important that you have the skills, time and commitment to help drive school improvement and the passion and ambition to achieve the best possible education for children. If you are interested in joining our Governing Board please let us know. If you would like to chat to us about the role please contact Mrs Wright, Headteacher or Mrs Launder, School Business Manager who will be happy to provide more information.

School Day

We would like to remind you that the school gate opens at 8.45am and closes at 9am each morning. If your child attends a breakfast club they should arrive for 8am. Our school day finishes at 3.10pm. The school gate opens at 3pm for parents to collect their children.

We understand that parking can be difficult but please don't park in our car park entrance or on the zigzags at any time. Please make use of the Costcutter carpark when dropping off and picking up your children.



Weekly Attendance Champions

Congratulations 3DG AGAIN!! Your attendance as a

Attendance Matters

Regularly attending school is crucial to a child's education. Children who miss school often struggle to keep up with their peers. On average, a day missed represents five hours of learning missed.

You are encouraged to ensure that your child attends school at all times unless it is very clear this is not possible.



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