



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

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our second weekly newsletter. As mentioned in our first on-line edition, we have moved from a print based newsletter to an electronic version; this will be emailed out to parents who have provided the school with their email address. There is a section a bit further down which outlines how parents can sign up to receive the newsletter each week so please spread the word! We will also put a copy on to the school's web-site and on to the Morden Mount app.

KS2 have started the new year with an exciting Science project. In the Autumn term Mr Walsh introduced a new way for all the children in Year 5 to record their Science experiments onto an e-book, using an app called 'Book Creator'. This app allows the children to write text, take photographs or video clips and add content they have researched during their science lesson. The children then upload their e-book onto an app called Showbie during the lesson where the class-teacher can then interact with the ongoing learning. It's been so successful at engaging children even more with science that it has been rolled out to all of KS2. Look out for examples on our web-site!

Yr1 returned from their visit to Woodlands Farm full of enthusiasm for farm-life! They milked cows, stroked sheep and fed the noisy chickens. But best of all they loved getting muddy in their woodland walk. The children got to the farm by taking the 89 bus all the way up to Shooters Hill; the teachers were really proud at how sensible the children were at using public transport. Well done Yr1! A big thank you to all the parent volunteers who came along as well.

Reception children are getting ready for their Chinese New Year assembly on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February; I've seen some stunning writing based on the story. Make sure you come along Reception parents.

**Miss L Chapman**  
Head of School

#### Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Time
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	Reception class stay and read	3pm -3.30pm
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Year2 to London Transport Museum	9am – 3pm
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Years 1 – 4 stay and read	8.55am – 9.15am
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 4 Girls football tournament	9am – 3pm
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Reception Chinese New Year assembly	9.10am – 9.25am
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	3MM to Woodlands Farm	9am – 3pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Reception class stay and read	3pm -3.30pm
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	3DP to Woodlands Farm	9am – 3pm
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents evening	3.40pm – 7pm
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Years 1 – 4 stay and read	8.55am – 9.15am
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents evening	3.40pm – 5pm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	3DP class assembly	9.10am – 9.25am
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>	

## SIGN UP TO THE METRO

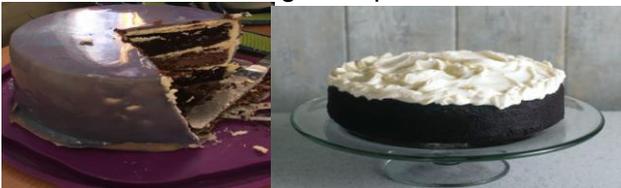
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## Friends of Morden Mount coffee morning

The first event of the year organised by the Friends of Morden Mount was a coffee morning on Thursday 17 January. It took place straight after Stay and Read so lots of parents who were in the school to read with their children turned up. There was tea, coffee, biscuits and two home-made cakes: a triple layer chocolate cake with mirror glaze and a chocolate Guinness cake. The cakes went down very well - even people who were normally not too keen on chocolate did enjoy the cakes!

Eating cake was not the only reason for the coffee morning. It was also an opportunity for parents to socialise and get to know each other. Although most parents know each other by face, it is nice to be able to have a chat with other parents. The coffee morning was also a moment to explain to parents what Friends of Morden Mount do and how parents can get involved. Most parents present were interested in helping out by either volunteering during events or joining the committee.

I think I speak for all the parents involved when I say that it was a very successful morning! I hope to see you at the next coffee morning and I promise there will be more cake next time!



Friends of Morden Mount is a committee run by dedicated parents and carers. Our aim is to bring parents together by organising fun activities thereby raising funds for the school that will enhance each child's journey through their education.

## How to join

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.
- Volunteers 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!



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## Spring Term Sports Clubs up and running!!

Last term, we had an amazing 203 children from Reception to Year 6 attend our before and after school sports clubs. This term, we have started our new Sports clubs programme, with a view to give children access to a wide variety of different sports and activities throughout the year. In our opinion, there is a sport for every child and these clubs allow the children to learn with their peers in a fun and enjoyable environment. All clubs are carried out by experienced and qualified coaches. This term, our Sports Clubs include Boys Football, Girls Football, Netball, Basketball, Dodgeball, Dance, Gymnastics, and Multisports for various year groups. Ask at the office for further details.

Yr 5/6 girls are playing in a football competition tomorrow over in Thamesmead. They have been coached by Mr Walsh who is quietly optimistic about their chances! Come on Morden Mount Girls' football team! It's the turn of Yr3/4 girls next week. Hopefully we'll have an account for you next week.