Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School 15th March 2024

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a very full week this week at Montgomery Junior school with the football tournament on Tuesday, Online Safety training on Wednesday, Science workshops on Thursday and a visiting theatre company performing Jungle Book on Friday (today). We work hard to provide these experiences for the children so that they enjoy a broad and balanced education in all areas of the curriculum.

Our football team had a long and gruelling day representing Colchester United in the Utilita Cup this week. They left school at 7:15am to travel to Swindon to play the regional winners of other competitions. The standard was very high and the matches were very tightly contested. We were not the overall winners but competed well. The boys arrived back to school at 6pm having had a memorable experience of competing at a higher level. We are very proud of them for this achievement.



Thank you to all the parents who attended the Online Safety session for parents on Wednesday after school. The Two Johns provided us with up to date information about the current concerns in the online world, including the

negative impact of influencers, cyber bullying and the dangers of the children connecting with strangers online. We will be following these sessions up with a series of assemblies focusing on the above issues.



Just a reminder about the gymnast, Courtney Tulloch's visit to MJS on Thursday 21st March. Please return the sponsor forms to school as soon as possible so we can ensure your child is given the correct reward. Thank you in advance for your support.

Next week, two of our Year 3 classes are visiting Beth Chatto gardens: Monday 18^{th} March – 3L and Wednesday 20^{th} March – 3R. Please ensure your child has a waterproof and warm coat and sensible footwear such as wellies; they may wear their own clothes for the trip.

On Thursday 21st March our school choir will be representing the school in the Colchester Schools' Music Festival at the Charter Hall. They have been rehearsing regularly for this special event. Tickets are available for family members of the choir only. If you have not yet ordered your ticket, please do so as soon as possible as seating is limited. On Tuesday 26th



March we will be having our Spring Term Musical Concert at 2:15pm. Parents of children who have music lessons with Rocksteady or Front Row Music are invited to attend to see the children perform. Please put the date in your diaries.

Thank you all for your continued support, which is much appreciated.

Michelle A. Wrisht

Mrs Wright Headteacher



Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class **4H** who are our weekly attendance champions this week with 99.67% attendance. Well done everyone in 4H.



What's on next week?

Winter Menu Week 1

Monday

Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra Board Game Club 3L Trip to Beth Chatto

After School Clubs:

1st Class @ Number 3:10-4:15 Y5/6 Tag Rugby 3:20-4:15pm Y3 Building Resilience 3:10-4:15

Tuesday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra Timestables Club Y4 **After School Clubs:**

Y5/6 Military Club 3:20-4:15 Y3/4 Tag Rugby 3:10-4:15 Y4 Building Resilience 3:10-4:15

Wednesday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

3R Trip to Beth Chatto

After School Clubs:

1st Class @ Number 3:10-4:15 Fairplay Football 3:10-4:15pm Y3/4 Football Club 3:10-4:15pm Computer Xplorers 3:10-4:15pm Y5 Building Resilience 3:20-4:15

Thursday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra Board Game Club

4RS Swimming Lessons

After School Clubs:

1st Class @ Number 3:10-4:15 Girls Football 3:10-4:15pm Y3/4 Military Club 3:10-4:15pm Y6 Building Resilience 3:20-4:15 Girls Netball 3:20-4:15pm Y6 Maths Challenge Club 3:20-4:15pm

Music Festival—Charter Hall

Friday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

After School Clubs:

Y5/6 Football Club 3:20-4:15 Gymnastics 3:10-4:15pm Friendship Club 3:10-4:15pm Y5/6 Football Team 3:20-4:15pm

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Monty's Marvels

Isobel Hackett in 3L competed in a gymnastics competition at the weekend and placed gold in beam, floor and vault. She also won highest overall score in her level. A big well done to you Isobel and congratulations.

Rosie Jones in 5PW did an amazing job in her gymnastics competition at the weekend, winning a gold medal in vault and bars, a silver on the beam and a bronze for her floor routine. Congratulations Rosie!



This week's Monty Merit Awards





TimesTable Rockstars



Reading Awards









Team with their medals

Year 5 Science Workshop





receiving their Colchester United Kit.





Reminder—Sports for Champions sponsorship forms and money need to be in the office by Monday morning at the very latest to make sure your child receives the correct award.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 25th March 3R Trip to Beth Chatto Gardens

Tuesday 26th March Spring Music Festival 2:15pm

Thursday 28th March Early finish for the Easter break.

1:40 Year 3/4

1:50 Year 5/6



2nd-12th April Easter Break

Monday 15th April Non Pupil Day

Tuesday 16th April All children return to school

Our World Book Day photos featured in the Gazette on Tuesday 12th March 2024 Gazette some copies are available for 50p each at the office.

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