

Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School
28th February 2020

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you all had an enjoyable half term break and were able to enjoy some valuable family time. We have had a busy, first week back, with a visit from members of the Defence Stammering Network & British Stammering Association, who led a whole school assembly on the difficulties faced by those with speech impediments. It was truly inspirational to see how the speaker overcame his stammer to achieve his dreams of a career in the military.

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Parents' Evenings this week; I hope that you now have a clearer picture of your child's progress in school, including any areas of focus. If any parents were unable to attend, please contact your child's class teacher to make an appointment after school one day. Thank you for working with us to ensure the best outcomes for your child.

As reading is such a priority in school, we are pleased to see one child in Year 6 has already completed the Book Bingo challenge. A prize will be awarded to every child who completes at least six of the challenges. Please support your child with this and return the signed Bingo cards to Miss Smith in Year 4.

Next week we have our Cyber Bullying theatre show for the whole school. This will take place on Friday afternoon, so if you could talk to your child about the key messages they hear, that would help to reinforce these important messages.

Michelle A. Wright

Mrs Wright
Headteacher



Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class **4S** who are our weekly attendance champions with **97.5%** attendance. Very well done to everyone in 4S!



What's on next week.... Lunch Menu Week 2

Monday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra
Basketball Y5&6

After school clubs:

Netball Y3&4
Success@Arithmetic
1st Class @ Number
Bootcamp Y4

Tuesday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra
Table Tennis Y3&4

After school clubs:

Military Club
Football Y3&4

Wednesday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra
Dodgeball Y3&4
Year 3 Trip to Colchester Zoo

After school clubs:

Netball Y5&6
Fencing Club
Success@Arithmetic
1st Class @ Number

Thursday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra
Dodgeball Y5&6

World Book Day

After school clubs:

Military Club
Football Y5&6
Tag Rugby Y3&4
Success@Arithmetic
1st Class @ Number
Netball Away v Queen Boudica

Friday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

After school clubs:

Football Away v Heathlands
Primary
Netball Away v Heathlands
Primary
Carol Gail School of Dance

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Fundraiser for The British Heart Foundation In Honour of Mrs Sams

Following the sad death of our lovely colleague, Mrs Nicky Sams, her son Ben has set up a fundraiser for the British Heart Foundation in her honour. Donations can be made online or in the school office.

'I'm not usually one to ask for money or donations often however for my birthday this year, I'm asking for nothing more than donations to British Heart Foundation. I've chosen this charity as it holds a very big place in mine and my family's hearts. The British Heart Foundation conduct research to help cure and care for those suffering with heart conditions and help prevent other cases in the future. The reason I have asked for donations to the British Heart Foundation is that with your help and donations, in the future they can save other precious lives so less families have to suffer in the way that we have. Me my family will continue to fund raise for the British Heart Foundation as well as the Sarcoidosis UK chest foundation in honour and in memory of Mum. Even the smallest of donations will be greatly appreciated and put to use to hopefully save many lives. Thank you very much. Ben Sams'

You can donate on the Facebook Fundraising page **Ben's Birthday Fundraiser for British Heart Foundation** https://www.facebook.com/donate/715337958998583/?fundraiser_source=external_url

Or you can donate directly to the British Heart Foundation <https://www.bhf.org.uk/how-you-can-help/donate/donate-form?t=one&a=80>

Alternatively, you can make cash donations to the school office. Please place donations in a sealed envelope. You can donate anonymously or write your details on the envelope or in a card if you would like Mrs Sams' family to know you have donated.

Preventing the spread of the Coronavirus

We sent a letter home with children yesterday outlining what you should do to help reduce the spread of Coronavirus. Please read it and talk to your children about the guidance. If you're worried about your symptoms or those of a child please call NHS 111.

Parking and Waiting Outside School

Essex County Council's School Crossing Patrol Supervisor has asked us to remind all parents and carers not to park on the zig zag lines outside the front of the school. When drivers park on these lines they endanger the Patrol Officer, pedestrians, block visibility to other drivers as well as causing congestion which then impacts on the crossing. Please make sure you park in a safe and sensible manner. Thank you for your cooperation.

World Book Day

On Thursday 5th March we will be celebrating World Book Day and are inviting children to dress up as their favourite book character. The more creative, the better! Don't forget to finish your Book Bingo. Entries need to be submitted to class teachers by Tuesday 31st March so that prizes can be awarded.

Morning Registration Reminder—the school gate opens at 8:45am and closes at 8:55am. Please make sure your children arrives before the gate closes so that they can get ready for learning.

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