

Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

13th March 2020



Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

In a week dominated by uncertainty about the Coronavirus, please take note of the advice below regarding any potential school closure. We are taking advice from both Public Health England and Essex County Council, who are providing daily updates on the situation. We are encouraging the children to wash their hands frequently and have put in place extra cleaning. School life will continue as normal, including the planned trips, unless we are told to close by the government. Updates will be provided as soon as we receive them.

The children have enjoyed dressing up today in their favourite sports' kit in order to raise money for Sport Relief and we would like to thank you in advance for your generosity. We will let you know the total amount raised next week.

Please can we request that parents and carers of Year 3 children ensure that their arrangements for the end of the day pick-up, including permission to walk home alone and the list of people who are allowed to collect their child from school, is kept up to date.

As part of our wider curriculum we are delighted to join the other local schools in Colchester at the Music Festival on Tuesday 17th March. Twenty children have been practising a wide variety of songs, which will be sung together as a group choir at the Charter Hall Concert Hall. We look forward to a great evening of musical talent.

The funeral of Mrs Sams took place today. The book of memories will be available in Reception for parents to sign in the upcoming weeks. Donations to the British Heart Foundation can also be made at Reception. We are grateful to all those parents who have sent condolences or expressed their sympathy - thank you for your support during a difficult few weeks.

Mrs Michelle Wright

Headteacher

What's on next week....

Lunch Menu Week 1

Monday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra
Basketball Y5&6

After school clubs:

Netball Y3&4
Maths Booster Class
1stClass@Number
Bootcamp Y4/5

Tuesday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra
Table Tennis Y3&4

After school clubs:

Military Club
Football Y3&4
Evening Music Festival

Wednesday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra
Dodgeball Y3&4
Juniper Book Awards

After school clubs:

Netball Y5&6
Fencing Club
Maths Booster Class
1stClass@Number

Thursday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra
Dodgeball Y5&6

After school clubs:

Military Club
Football Y5&6
Tag Rugby Y3&4
Maths Booster Class
1stClass@Number

Friday

Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra
Y3 Trip to Layer Marney

After school clubs:

Carol Gail School of Dance

**FINAL KINGSWOOD
PAYMENTS NOW DUE**

Emergency School Closures

If the school is advised to close we will share the information with you by publishing information as follows:

- Sending you a text and email via InTouch and School App.
- On our school website.
- On the Essex County Council website <https://www.essex.gov.uk/emergency-school-closures>



Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class **4RS** who are our weekly attendance champions with an amazing **100%** attendance.

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Monty's Marvels

A huge well done to Grace in 4RS who competed in a performing arts competition held at Disneyland Paris last weekend. Grace sang her way to third place in the competition.

Congratulations Grace 😊

Head Lice

We have had a few cases of head lice reported to school this week. It would be helpful if you could check your child's hair and treat as necessary. Thank you for your support.

Parenting Workshop

Child First are running a fully funded Parenting Programme and places are available on a first come first serve basis. This 8 week course is offered to parents from our school for FREE. Sessions include Life as a Parent, Developing Relationships Through Play, Listening & Talking, Routines and Managing Behaviour. The first session is Monday 27th April from 1pm -3pm at Boxted St Peter's Primary School, Colchester. To book a place please contact Amanda Rowe on 07772 268691, roweamanda@sky.com or Jacky Curtis on 07732 122688, jackycurtis71@yahoo.com. Information leaflets are available in our Reception office.

World Book Day Door Displays

On World Book Day each class decorated their door in the theme of a David Walliams' book. Here are some examples of their creativity. Montgomery Junior School also featured in the Colchester Gazette where a full page spread showed off some of the amazing costumes worn.



Class 6P



Class 40



Class 6B

Friends of Montgomery Following the success of the previous two cake sales we are now asking the parents of Year 5 children to donate cakes on Wednesday 25th March to be sold after school. We look forward to seeing the range of delicious home-baked and shop-bought goodies on offer.

Monthly competition This month's competition brain teaser is a riddle! If you think you know the answer email us ptamontgomeryjnr@gmail.com. We will pick a correct answer out of a hat. Winners will be announced in the newsletter and prizes will be given out.

Riddle: You can serve it, but never eat it. What is it?

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