Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School 12th March 2021

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

What a pleasure it is to see the children back and to have school fully reopen after 8 school weeks of the partial school closure. The children are already getting back into their routines and building up their learning stamina, and we are sure that they will soon become used to full days of lessons in a busy classroom again. It has been a delight to see the joy on the children's faces as they meet up with their friends and classmates. However, we are aware that lockdown was a difficult time for many families and that some children were anxious about school opening again and what this would be like. We have support in place to help the children reintegrate, so please contact me should you feel this is required.

Looking forward, we will be settling the children back in for the rest of this half term and assessing where the gaps in learning are and then adjusting our planning to address those areas. In the summer term, we would like to see the children have the best summer term ever and are working hard to ensure this is the case.

On Friday 19th March we will be supporting Comic Relief by taking part in Red Nose Day. Children can come to school wearing something red (no noses please) for a donation of $\pounds 1+$ for this charity. This will be a non uniform day.

We will be starting our afterschool Sports' Clubs after Easter and letters will be sent home about these next week. Spaces are limited so please respond in good time.

Over the Easter holidays, we will not be sending out any homework packs, as we appreciate how hard you, as parents, have worked with the home learning. Instead, we will send out ideas to improve your child's wellbeing with a range of activities encouraging your child to spend time outside and reconnecting with loved ones.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on <u>head@montgomery-jun.essex.sch.uk</u>

Kind Regards

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Michelle Wright Headteacher





What's on next week......

Lunch Menu Week 2

Monday Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra

Tuesday Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra

Wednesday Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra

Thursday Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra

Military Club on Teams 3.30pm

Friday Red Nose Day **Breakfast clubs**: Monty's Extra

Start and End of day Times Year 3 8:30am — 2:55pm Year 4 8:40am — 3:05pm Year 5 8:50am — 3:15pm Year 6 8:55am — 3:20pm



Dates For Your Diary

Early Closing at 2pm Friday 26 March 2021

Easter Holidays 29th March—9th April 2021

Non Pupil Day Monday 12th April 2021

Half term Holiday 31st May—4th June 2021

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Celebrations

Our wonderful Catering team have been hard at work. They provided lovely cakes to help celebrate World Book Day last week, and some lovely MJS (Montgomery Junior School) cookies to welcome all the children back this week. They certainly did put smiles on faces. Thank you team.







World **Book Day** was enjoyed by children last week in and out of school . Thank you to Florence for this picture of her dressed up and reading at home.



Spring Menu

Our menu for this spring term is on our website. This will run for the next 3 weeks until the Easter Holidays. After Easter we will be switching to our Summer Menu.

We encourage parents to pay for school meals online via SIMS Pay. Please do use this facility as it offers a safe and convenient payment method.



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Essential Living Fund

If you find yourself in need as a result of the Corana Virus Pandemic, the Essential Living Fund may be able to help you. The fund can help pay for heating, electricity, water, food and help you get essential household items like a fridge, cooker or table. To see if this applies to you visit www.southend.gov.uk/elfforessex or call 03007900124.

Dates for 2021-2022

School Term and Holiday dates for the school year 2021-2022 are now available to view on our website.

Early Closure

On Friday 26th March we will be closing at the earlier time of 2pm for the Easter holiday. Please make the necessary childcare arrangements for that day.

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