

Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

26th March 2021

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a pleasure to have all the children back in school, and even though for many pupils it has only been three weeks, they do seem ready for the Easter break.

We are sending your child home with this half term's Behaviour and Attitude report, plus a current attainment and progress report. Please do not be unduly alarmed if your child has not made expected progress during this very disrupted term. Through our assessments, we are aware of the gaps in learning due to the partial school closure and lockdown and will work hard in the Summer term to ensure your child makes robust progress. I have included dates of Parents' Evenings in the accompanying letter, so we would be grateful if these could be noted down in your diaries.

Your child has also been sent home with a booklet of activities designed to enhance their wellbeing. We hope that you will enjoy having some quality family time over the two week break.

Year 5 enjoyed their Road Safety sessions this week and learned how to cross the busy Baronswood Way safely. Further resources are available on the <https://saferessexroads.org> website.

We appreciate that the majority of parents park considerately and we are very grateful for that. However, there are still a minority of parents who put our children's lives at risk by parking dangerously. I have been contacted by Essex Police, who have asked that we notify all parents that Traffic Officers will be sent down to the school issuing Fixed Penalty notices for all parking violations. They will be attending on an ad hoc basis and offenders will be dealt with robustly.

Finally, a gentle reminder: if your child has a high temperature, a cough or has lost their sense of taste and/or smell, please ensure they take a PCR or lateral flow test. The latter can be ordered on <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>. If they test positive, it is vital that school is informed, including during the upcoming holidays (up until Wednesday 31st March) so that we can inform the rest of your child's bubble if there is a need to self-isolate. Please email me directly on head@montgomery-jun.essex.sch.uk should this be the case, so we can ensure the virus is not transmitted further in our community.

Can I take this opportunity to wish you all an enjoyable and safe Easter break and we look forward to welcoming your child back to school on Tuesday 13th April at their usual staggered start time.

Kind Regards

Michelle A. Wright

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Headteacher



What's on after Easter.....

New Summer Menu Week 1

Monday
Non Pupil Day

Tuesday
Breakfast clubs:
Monty's Extra
After School Clubs:
Netball Y4 3:05-4:05pm

Wednesday
Breakfast clubs:
Monty's Extra
After School Clubs:
1stClass@Number 3:05-4:00pm
Football Y5 3:15-4:15pm
6C Maths Booster Class 3:20-4:10pm

Thursday
Breakfast clubs:
Monty's Extra
After School Clubs:
1stClass@Number 3:05-4:00pm
Netball Y6 3:20-4:20pm
6B Maths Booster Class 3:20-4:10
Military Club on Teams 3.30pm

Friday
Breakfast clubs:
Monty's Extra
After School Clubs:
Football Y6 3:20-4:20pm

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

Half Term Holiday
31st May—4th June 2021

Parents Evenings
9th & 10th June 2021

Summer Holiday
22nd July - 31st Aug 2021

Non Pupil Day
Wednesday 1st September 2021

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Red Nose Day

Thank you to all those who donated to Comic Relief last week; the total raised was £226.41. Thank you for supporting this worthwhile cause.

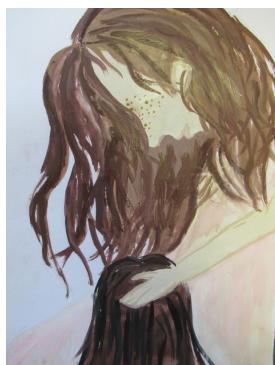


Firstsite Holiday Fun

Firstsite are offering free sports activities, take away lunches and creative activities to do at home, for families that qualify for Free School Meals and those families that require additional support during the school holidays because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Limited spaces are available, and are offered on a first come, first served basis. Please visit [Easter Holiday Fun - Sport and Takeaway - Firstsite](#) to book.

Rotary Club Young Artists Competition 2021

Thank you to all those that have entered the Young Artists competition. We have had some stunning entries that will be sent off to the Rotary Club. Here are just some of the entries we've received. Good luck everyone.



School Meal Account Statements

Each week you will receive a statement of your child's dinner money account. This goes out to all parents even if your child receives free school meals. The statement will show that you are either in credit or debit. If your statement says zero, there is nothing more you need to do. If you have a large outstanding debit on your account and are struggling to pay please email admin@montgomery-jun.essex.sch.uk and we can arrange a payment plan for you. If your child is in Year 3, their free school meal entitlement does not carry over from Year 2, you must reapply for free school meals if you think you are entitled. If you are entitled they will only back date your entitlement to the date you applied.

Don't forget

Monday 12th April 2021 is a Non Pupil Day, pupils return on Tuesday 13th April 2021. Our new summer menu is available to view on our website. We wish you all a Happy Easter break.

Summer Menu 2020/21				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spaghetti Bolognese Pasta Salad Garlic Bread Fruit & Yogurt	Spaghetti Bolognese Pasta Salad Garlic Bread Fruit & Yogurt	Spaghetti Bolognese Pasta Salad Garlic Bread Fruit & Yogurt	Spaghetti Bolognese Pasta Salad Garlic Bread Fruit & Yogurt	Spaghetti Bolognese Pasta Salad Garlic Bread Fruit & Yogurt

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