

# Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

23rd April 2021

## Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

Following our first full week of the Summer 2021 term, we have been asking the children how we can ensure this is the best term ever at Montgomery Junior School: #MJS-best-term-ever. The answers ranged from 'inviting Ronaldo into school' to 'a trip to the beach'. The children's enthusiasm was great to see and staff are now busy looking into providing engaging and exciting learning experiences for the children in the term ahead (even if Ronaldo is unable to make it this time).

Our Poetry Week will take place in the week beginning 7th June when hip-hop poet Karl Nova will visit Montgomery Junior School to perform some of his poems. You can find out more about his work at <https://karlnovaworld.wordpress.com/>

We have booked the Year Six residential trip next June 2022 for our current Year Five and will be requesting the initial deposits shortly in order to secure a place for your child. The benefits for the children of attending a residential visit are manifold, so if there are any issues with your child taking part please let me know once you receive the trip letter; we will do our best to resolve these.

A reminder that Military Club takes place via Microsoft Teams each Thursday at 3:30pm. A link is sent to parents' email addresses each week. Please encourage your child to take part.

Attendance is now mandatory and we are pleased to see the children back in school learning each day. In order to make up any lost time, it is essential that your child is here; please support us by ensuring maximum attendance unless your child is very unwell, or showing symptoms of Covid-19. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

Michelle A. Wright

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Headteacher

### 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



## Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class **4M** who are our weekly attendance champions with an amazing **99.6%** attendance. Well done to you all.



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

### Summer Menu Week 3

#### Monday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### After School Clubs:

Football Y3 2:55-3:55pm

#### 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

## Dates For Your Diary

### Half Term Holiday

31st May—4th June 2021

### Poetry Week

7th 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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## After School Sports Clubs

Our after school football and netball clubs are well and truly underway and we are so pleased to see the children enjoying these extra curricular activities again.

#MJS-best-term-ever



## Get your child's voice heard and make a difference

The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, is launching a once-in-a-generation review of children's lives. It's called 'The Childhood Commission' and it will identify the barriers preventing children reaching their full potential and propose policy solutions to address them. At its heart is 'The Big Ask' – the largest ever consultation held with children. In this survey the Children's Commissioner is asking children and young people what they think is important for their future and what is holding young people back. The Children's Commissioner will use what children and young people tell her to show the Government what they think and what they need to live happier lives. Find out more at [The Big Ask | Children's Commissioner for England](https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/the-big-ask/) ([childrenscommissioner.gov.uk](https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk))

Their access to somewhere outside to go to have fun\*

☐ Very Unhappy ☐ Unhappy ☐ Neither happy nor unhappy ☐ Happy ☐ Very Happy

Or

☐ I don't know

☐ Not applicable

It's an exciting opportunity to help us think big and it's a chance for every child in England to have their voice heard.

## Lunch Orders

Please can we ask that if your child is going to be late for any reason that you call the school office to order their lunch by 10am at the latest. Thank you for your cooperation.

## School Library Books

Our school library was restocked last academic year and a considerable amount of books were purchased. Please can we request that if your child has a school library book at home, it is returned as soon as possible. We will be issuing fine letters in the future for any books not returned. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

**IMPORTANT  
NOTICE**

## School Meals

We would like to inform you that any debts arising from school lunches will now be capped at **£30**. If your school dinner bill reaches this amount, you will be asked to provide a packed lunch for your child until the balance has been paid. If you are entitled to Free School Meals, an application needs to be submitted to:

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

The school will be informed if your application is successful. All debts incurred before Free School Meal status is granted are payable in full. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

## Mobile School Crossing Patrol Officer - Vacancy

Are you looking for an opportunity to support your local community?

Come and join Essex County Council's School Crossing Patrol Team. We currently have a mobile vacancy open at:

**Colchester,**  
(Job Number 25973)

To apply visit [www.workingforessex.com](http://www.workingforessex.com), or call the Resourcing Team on 0333 013 5888.



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