

Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

14th May 2021

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

Following further guidance from Essex County Council and Public Health Essex this week, I am now able to update you on our Covid-19 protocols for the upcoming weeks in school. Due to the restrictions being eased in the general population from Monday 17th May, there is the likelihood that the number of cases of coronavirus will rise, so schools have been advised that the system of grouping children into separate bubbles will remain in place until further notice. We will also be continuing with our enhanced cleaning schedule and our request that no additional items from home, such as rucksacks are brought in. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Ipswich Town Community Trust have notified us that Ipswich Town Football Club are launching a brand new Elite Player Development Centre in Colchester at the Northern Gate Way facility. Successful applicants will be offered the opportunity to train weekly at the new centre, enjoy the additional half term fixtures against other professional clubs, and potentially be selected to play against their Advanced squads where Academy recruitment staff will be in attendance to monitor progress. To register interest in U7/U8/U9, please follow this link: <https://www.participant.co.uk/ipswichcommunitytrust/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=341217> ;

For U10/U11/U12 please follow this link: <https://www.participant.co.uk/ipswichcommunitytrust/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=341222#init>
Please let us know if your child is successful so that we can recognise their achievement at school.

We enjoy celebrating the achievements of our talented children, so are always grateful for photos and news of their endeavours. Please email any acts of kindness or extracurricular successes to head@montgomery-jun.essex.sch.uk so we can include it in the Monty's Marvels section of the newsletter.

Behaviour and Attitude reports will be sent home on Friday 28th May, the last day of this half term. Please check your child's bag for the envelope so that any issues can be discussed during our Parents' Evenings on Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th June. Our SENCO, Miss Staines, will be offering Special Educational Needs appointments on Wednesday 9th June from 3:30-5:30pm. A letter will be sent home with details of how to book a session.

Kind Regards

Michelle A. Wright

Michelle Wright
Headteacher



Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class **4M** who are our weekly attendance champions again with an amazing **98.41%** 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

SEN Parents Evening

Wednesday 9th June

Parents Evenings

9th & 10th June 2021

Summer Holiday

22nd July - 31st Aug 2021

Non Pupil Day

Wednesday 1st September 2021

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From 8th March school attendance is mandatory; therefore it is your legal duty to send your child (if they are of compulsory school age) to school regularly. All absences apart from illness must be approved by the headteacher, so please complete the appropriate paperwork and hand it in to the school office in advance of your absence. If your child's absence is not authorised you may be liable for a penalty notice and fine.



Reading Road Map—Year 6

Essex Reading Road Map has now been running for a number of weeks and several of our children have achieved their silver certificates for reading 10 books.

'I am really enjoying the Reading Road Map because it is so fun and entertaining! Although some of the books are quite long, they hook me on the first page. It is a fantastic selection of books and none of them are boring'. Darcy Murray



'The Reading Road Map scheme is good because there's a great selection of books. It's good because it's a fun scheme that will get children to find reading more interesting' Landon Williams

'I am enjoying the Reading Road Map as it is encouraging me to read different types of books. It is fun because usually books are pricey and now I can always find a book when I am bored, sad or happy'. Merita Brahimi

We are delighted that the children are enjoying the Reading Road Map and we are certain it will increase their desire to read.

Landon and Ellie have earned their bronze certificate for reading 5 books.

Srinika and Namis have earned their silver certificate for reading 10 books. Well done!



Active Essex are pleased to be delivering the Essex ActivAte holiday activity and food programme across Essex on behalf of Essex County Council. Through the school holidays Essex ActivAte will deliver a blended offer of support, which will include face to face holiday clubs for primary school aged children, as well as a schedule of fun activities taking place virtually through the Keep Essex Active Youtube channel and activity packs filled with fun activities and nutritious food ideas for all the family! They are launching multiple clubs across Essex, including specialist clubs for SEND pupils and mental wellbeing hubs. These clubs are completely free for young people who are eligible for benefits based free school meals or working families who need additional support during the holidays. Clubs will run for at least 4 hours a day from June 1st - 4th, and will include a tasty, nutritious lunch for every child attending!

For any more information about ActivAte holiday clubs, locations and bookings, please visit the Active Essex website: www.activeessex.org/essexactivate-halfterm

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