

# Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

5th November 2021



## Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely half term and had some quality time with your families.

As part of our Eco awareness drive, we have had some improvements to the school site during the half term week, including the fitting of 119 solar panels to our roof to reduce the school's use of power from the National Grid. When the sun is shining, over 80% of the power needed by the school can be generated by the solar panels so reducing our need for electricity and fossil fuels, which in turn reduces the emission of greenhouse gases, which slows down global warming. We will be focusing on these topics in a series of assemblies after Christmas to educate the children about ways to protect the planet and their futures.

During the holidays one of our families decided to clear up the verges outside school by collecting bags of litter, which had accumulated during half term (please see photo). As the children are aware, rubbish can be very dangerous to wildlife and, on occasions, even fatal. Please support us in making the community a safe and pleasant place to live by putting all litter into a bin, or taking it home to throw away. Thank you in advance for your support with this.



We have put some artwork completed by the children on display in the school hall, where it has caused great excitement this week. Please see the photo overleaf of the stunning artwork based on some of the children's favourite books. Thank you to Mrs Dignum for organising the project.

The children and staff of Montgomery Junior School have been delighted by the generous contributions made by our families for the shoebox appeal. We have collected enough donations to make at least 20 shoeboxes, which Mrs Witt, Mrs Lloyd and the School Council members have packed and wrapped, ready to be delivered. Thank you so much to all who made donations.

On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November, Montgomery Junior School has been invited to join the Remembrance Parade in Colchester Town centre. Four children in Year 6 have been chosen to carry the Montgomery Junior School standard at the parade, which is a great honour. Please see the photograph overleaf of their lesson in standard bearing- it is not as easy as it looks!

The Parents' Evenings should have provided a clear picture of how your child is doing in their new class; if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to make a further appointment with your child's class teacher via the school office.

Finally, if you are attending a Firework evening, please take care and stay safe.

Kind Regards

*Michelle A. Wright*

Michelle Wright  
Headteacher

## Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class **6C** who are our weekly attendance champions again with **99.5%** attendance. Well done everyone in 6C.

## What's on next week:

### Winter Menu Week 2

#### Monday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### After School Clubs:

Y5 & Y6 Basketball 3:10pm-4pm

1stClass@Number 3pm-4pm

Success@Arithmetic 3:15-4pm

#### Tuesday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### After School Clubs:

Y3 Basketball 3pm-4pm

#### Wednesday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### After School Clubs:

Y4 Basketball 3pm-4pm

Success@Arithmetic 3:15-4pm

1stClass@Number 3pm-4pm

#### Thursday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

5C Swimming Lessons

##### After School Clubs:

Y5/6 Netball Squad Training

3:10pm -4:30pm

Success@Arithmetic 3:15-4pm

1stClass@Number 3pm-4pm

#### Friday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### After School Clubs:

Y5/6 Football Squad Training

3:10pm -4:30pm

## Dates For Your Diary

### Anti-Bullying Week

15th - 19th November 2021

Odd Sock Day - 19th November

### Thursday 25th November

Y4 trip to the Museum of Power  
5PW start swimming lessons

### Thursday 29th November

Y3 Trip to Layer Marney Tower

### Friday 10th December

Christmas Jumper Day

### Wednesday 15th December

Junior School Christmas Lunch

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## Monty's Marvels

This week's Monty Merit Bronze Awards.



## Artwork

The children's art work from Art week is now displayed in our hall, and I think you'll all agree the pictures are absolutely stunning.



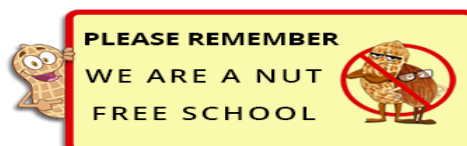
## Remembrance

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## Other notices

- ⇒ The junior school admission round opens on 8th November 2021 for parents of children currently in Year 2 in an infant school to apply for a Year 3 school place in a junior school starting in September 2022. The closing date for applications is 15th January 2022. Applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions).
- ⇒ Remembrance 2021—British Legion Poppies and other fundraising merchandise will be available in school from 2nd to 11th November 2021. Suggested donations for merchandise are as follows : Zip pull 50p, Reflector 50p, Wristband £1, Snap band £1.50. Please send your child in with the correct change.
- ⇒ Statements for the Year 6 PGL trip were sent out before half term. Please make sure you are up to date with instalments. If your child is new to the school please complete and return the reply slips for the trip as soon as possible. Thank you.
- ⇒ 5PW will start swimming lessons Thursday 25th November 2021. Please make sure they have the appropriate kit.



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