Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

12th November 2021

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

We are pleased to let you know that our School Council met for the first time in 18 months this week, with great excitement, and have started making plans for our Winter Discos. The Discos will take place on Thursday 2nd December after school. Further details will follow in the near future but please save the date if your child would like to attend.





In addition, we are hoping to hold year group Carol Services in the Garrison church again. These will take place after school in the final two weeks of term; a letter will be sent home next week with details of all the Christmas activities.

Teaching staff took part in 6 hour Emergency Paediatric First Aid training, which concluded this The training included treating anaphylaxis; cuts and bruises; breaks and CPR. From the training, we would like to request that any grapes brought into school for snack or lunchtimes are cut up to reduce the risk of choking. Thank you in advance for your support with this.



We will be taking part in Anti-Bullying week next week from 15th -19th November with the theme of 'One Kind Word'. On Friday 19th November, we will be inviting all of the children and staff to wear odd socks to show that we are all different and equally as valued. Please encourage your child to find their brightest socks to wear that day to show their support.

We are mindful that we have not yet restarted Military Club this year, due to the previous half term's high numbers of Covid cases. Now that the numbers of positive cases has decreased, we will be aiming to start the Club before the end of term.



Finally, please join us on Sunday at the Remembrance Day parade in Colchester Town Centre. Four Year 6 children will parade with the Montgomery Junior School standard as part of the service. We value our Military heritage greatly and consider it an honour to be invited to attend.

Kind Regards

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Michelle Wright Headteacher



Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class 6C & 6B who are our weekly attendance champions with an amazing 100% attendance. Well done everyone in 6C & 6B



What's on next week:

Winter Menu Week 3

Anti-Bullying Week

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

Odd Sock Day **Breakfast clubs:** Monty's Extra **After School Clubs:** Y5/6 Football Squad Training 3:10pm -4:30pm

Dates For Your Diary

Walk to School Week 22nd - 26th November 2021 Thursday 25th November Y4 trip to the Museum of Power 5PW start swimming lessons Thursday 29th November Y3 Trip to Layer Marney Tower

Thursday 2nd December Winter Discos 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.







Well done to Eryn and Sienna for competing in 2km running competitions. Eryn came 30th out of 300 runners and Sienna came 2nd of 30 runners. Well done girls.

Remembrance Poem by Johann Oellermann 5PW

The poppies grow.
There is hope.
They are delicate and luscious.
They grow painlessly, more and more grow.
They are respected when the guns blow.
Bang, bang, bang.
But the poppies grow.







Christmas Shoeboxes

20 shoeboxes have been packed and wrapped by Mrs Witt, Mrs Lloyd and the School Council members, ready to be delivered. Thank you so much again to all who made donations.





Breakfast Club

Please note that our Breakfast Club will be offering places to children on the waiting list from January 2022. Please respond to the letters sent home today by Monday 29th November 2021 to request a place for your child.

Other notices

- The junior school admission round opened 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.
- ⇒ ACL –Adult Community Learning Essex are running over 50 sessions throughout November & early December in support of community and family learning. For more information visit www.aclessex.com.
- ⇒ Layer Marney Tower are running a fun day on Saturday 11th December 2021. The day includes Arts and Crafts and a performance of The Tailor of Gloucester. For ticket sales and more information please visit their website www.layermarneytower.co.uk/events.

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