Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School 26th November 2021

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for using your creativity and imaginations for our Odd Socks Day last Friday. The children and staff made a big effort and looked great. The important message that we are all different yet special is an important one that was reinforced through our assemblies and PHSE lessons. Thank you to Mrs Lloyd for organising the week.



Walk to School weeks have started and the children can earn certificates by walking to school each day. If they live too far to walk, the car can be parked a distance away and the children can walk from there (Park and Stride). We hope this will encourage more children to walk to school.

Our many Christmas events are listed on the separate letter that went home today. The disco tickets are selling fast so please make sure you send in your slips and payment before Thursday. The cost is $\pounds 2$ and tickets will not be issued without payment. We look forward to seeing you at our community Carol Services where the children will be reading and singing; we have put on an extra performance this year to allow for more space. Please ensure you order your tickets for the Carol Concerts, as numbers are still limited. These tickets are free of charge.

Over 40 children have signed up to Music or Keyboard lessons with Front Row Music. The lessons will begin on Monday 6th December. We hope to hold musical concerts later in the year to show case the talent across the school.

Kind Regards

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Michelle Wright Headteacher



Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class **5W** who are our weekly attendance champions with 98.2% attendance. Well done everyone in 5W.





What's on next week:

Winter Menu Week 2

Monday

Y3 Trip to Layer Marney Tower 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 5PW Swimming Lessons After School Clubs: Y5/6 Netball Squad Training 3:10pm -4:30pm Success@Arithmetic 3:15-4pm 1stClass@Number 3pm-4pm Winter Discos

Friday

Breakfast clubs: Monty's Extra After School Clubs: Y5/6 Football Squad Training 3:10pm -4:30pm Football Match v Prettygate 15:15-16:15

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 7th December Y3 & 6B Carol Services Wednesday 8th December Y4 & 6P Carol Services Monday 13th December Y5 & 6C Carol Services Friday 10th December Christmas Jumper Day Wednesday 15th December Junior School Christmas Lunch Thursday 16th December Early Closure 1:45pm—Yr 3&4 Early Closure 1:55pm—Yr 5&6

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Online Safety Workshop

The Year 6 children had an Online Safety Workshop with Essex Fire Brigade this week. They learnt the **STOP**, **BLOCK**, **TELL code**. The code is an effective way of helping children to learn how to take care when they are on the web, including social media. As smartphones and free Wi-Fi become the norm in our day to day lives, our young children need to know the rules that help keep them safe on the internet.





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Other notices

- ⇒ Our travelling Book Fair starts next week. Children will be able to make a wish list of books they would love to read and own. They will bring the list home and you will be able to purchase books online at <u>https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/travelling-books/pay</u>. All wish lists need to be returned to school and paid for (online) by 4pm on Thursday 2nd December 2021.
- ⇒ If your child is absent and you leave a message on our absent line, please make sure you speak clearly with your child's name and class, and explain the symptoms they currently have. Knowing exactly what is wrong with your child will help us know how to best deal with the absence.
- ⇒ 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 <u>www.essex.gov.uk/admissions</u>.

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