

# Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

7th January 2022



## Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year. We hope that you had an enjoyable and restful Christmas break and were able to spend time with family and friends; hopefully you were not too adversely impacted by Covid.

The new term did not quite start as planned due to the water supply disruption on Wednesday, but the children took it all in their stride and showed their usual resilience, enjoying the sandwiches and juice, provided in place of the roast dinner. Any meals ordered on Wednesday will not be charged. Thank you for your support with our early closing.

This term we are starting our Covid tutoring for Years 4-6; children who have gaps in their Maths learning will have small group tutor sessions with a teacher focusing on basic number skills and building confidence in Maths. We will assess the impact of the tutoring and then offer the opportunity to more children next term.

We are sorry to see Mr Lloyd Clarke leave us next week to take up a new post elsewhere. We wish him every success in his new role. We are pleased to welcome a new Teaching Assistant in year 5, Mrs Templeman and our new Business Manager, Mrs Gloc. Welcome to the team.

As you are aware the guidance regarding a positive case of Covid is changing. Individuals may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The DfE has clarified that this approach applies to children in schools to ensure that children can return to their education as soon as possible after isolation. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. If both these test results are negative, and your child does not have a high temperature, they may end their self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to school from day 7.

Please continue to keep your child at home if they show symptoms to protect our workforce and ensure that we can remain open during this current spike. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Kind Regards

Michelle A. Wright

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Headteacher



**Thank you to all those that gave staff Christmas gifts, the teachers and other staff were very grateful for your kindness.**

## What's on next week:

### Winter Menu Week 2

#### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

#### After School Clubs:

Success@Arithmetic 3:10-4pm

#### Tuesday

#### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

#### After School Clubs:

Military Club Y5/6 3:10-4:15pm

#### Wednesday

#### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

#### After School Clubs:

Success@Arithmetic 3:15-4pm

#### Thursday

#### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

5PW Swimming Lessons

#### After School Clubs:

Military Club Y3/4 3-4pm

Success@Arithmetic 3:15-4pm

Football Match vs Home Farm

Away 3:15-4:15pm

#### Friday

#### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

#### After School Clubs:

## Dates For Your Diary

Thursday 20th January 2022

Football Match vs St Johns Green @home

Thursday 27th January 2022

Netball Match vs Homefarm @home

## Half Term

**Mon 14th to Fri 18th February 2022**

Wednesday 23rd/Thursday 24th February 2022

Parents Evenings.

Wed 15th to Fri 17th June 2022

Year 6 Residential to Bawdsey Manor

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## Monty's Marvels

This week's Monty Merit Bronze Awards



Well done to Amelia Hajredini for being awarded a dance trophy for a competition held at the Garrison. She performed 4 dances to compete in the Fast Solos. She came 1st out of 27! A big congratulations from everyone here at Montgomery.

## Headteacher Awards

**These children were selected for Headteacher Awards last term. Congratulations!**



## Other notices

- ⇒ Half term is Monday 14th to Friday 18th February 2022
- ⇒ Our Winter Menu will continue until Half Term.
- ⇒ After school sports clubs will be starting on Monday 17th January 2022.
- ⇒ Our football team will play an away match against Homefarm on Thursday 13th January 2022. We wish them all the best.
- ⇒ Parents evenings will take place on Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th February 2022. These will be virtual on Microsoft Teams.
- ⇒ Please could we ask that any medical or allergy changes are reported to the office straight away. The weather is much colder this term so please make sure your child has their asthma pumps in school every day and any other medication.

**Our Military Parenting course, 'The Incredible Years', starts on Tuesday 15th March at 5:30pm.** A crèche will be in place for children aged 4-11. The course is for parents with children aged 4-11 years who want support with parenting. The course aims to teach you how to encourage your child to deal with their emotions and express 'how they feel'. There is also focus on the needs of you, as parents. It will help you to: encourage positive behaviours; reduce negative behaviours; manage tricky situations; update knowledge of child development and celebrate success. A letter with a sign-up slip will be sent home in the next few weeks. Places are limited.

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