

# Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

22nd April 2022



## Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing Easter break. It has been lovely to welcome the children back for the Summer term 2022. We have been gradually lifting our Covid restrictions now that the guidance has changed and will be moving towards a complete return to normal as soon as possible. This will include more children eating in the hall together and the reintroduction of whole school assemblies.

The current guidance advises that if children have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including Covid-19, then they should remain at home if unwell or have a high temperature, but otherwise they are able to attend school. They can go back to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend. Testing children is no longer required, unless advised by a health professional, but should your child have a positive lateral flow test, it is recommended that they avoid contact with others and do not attend school for three full days.

Our Eco day saw children and staff wearing blue and green, as chosen by the School Council, to raise awareness of the need to protect our planet. The children chose the World Wildlife Fund as their charity; a total of £187.90 was raised and will be donated to this worthy cause. We thank you for your generosity.



Looking forward to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May the children will take part in a range of different activities, including painting commemorative plates, to celebrate this historic occasion. This will also be an 'Own Clothes Day' when we will wear red, white and blue- no donations required. Further details will be sent out in a letter nearer the time.

Finally, we understand that the cost of living is rising significantly at the moment. If you are experiencing hardship and struggling to provide food for your family, please do not hesitate to email me on [head@montgomery-jun.essex.sch.uk](mailto:head@montgomery-jun.essex.sch.uk). The school has access to foodbank vouchers and we are happy to provide these if required. All communications will be kept strictly confidential.

Kind Regards

Michelle A. Wright

Michelle Wright  
Headteacher



### New Menu

Our Summer Term menu is available to view on our website.

## What's on next week:

### Summer Menu Week 2

#### Monday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### After School Clubs:

Success@Arithmetic 3:10-4pm

1st Class@Number 3-4pm

Y3 Cricket 3-4pm

#### Tuesday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### After School Clubs:

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

Y4 Cricket 3-4pm

#### Wednesday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### After School Clubs:

1st Class@Number 3-4pm

Success@Arithmetic 3:15-4pm

Y5/6 Cricket 3:10-4:15pm

#### Thursday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### 5W Swimming Lessons

##### After School Clubs:

Military Club Y3/4 3-4pm

Success@Arithmetic 3:15-4pm

1st Class@Number 3-4pm

Netball Match v Homefarm

3:10-4:30pm

#### Friday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

##### Football Team Training

3:10-4:30pm

### Dates For Your Diary

W/beginning 9th May 2022

Y6 Standard Assessment Tests (SATS)

Friday 27th May

Jubilee Celebration

Mon 30th May to Fri 3rd June 2022

Half Term Break

W/beginning 6th June 2022

Poetry Week

Wed 15th to Fri 17th June 2022

Year 6 Residential to Bawdsey Manor



### Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class **5C** who are our weekly attendance champions this week an amazing **100%** attendance. Well done everyone in **5C**.

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## Monty's Marvels



### Monty Merit Bronze, Silver & Gold Awards & Y6 Reading Road Map



This week, we were really proud to present Willow with her gold certificate for the Year 6 reading road map. To achieve this, Willow has read twenty books and is the first pupil to achieve this certificate since we started the scheme last year.

Well done to Shona for taking part in an Engineers Workshop and Bikeability and bringing in her certificates to show us. What great skills to learn.



### School Meals

Please note when you are paying for School Meals that they are **£2** per meal. Meals can be paid for in cash or cheque or on your P360 account. School meal accounts should never be more than £30 overdue.

### Eco Day

Raising Money for the World Wildlife Fund



### 11+ Examination

Registration for the 11+ exam will be from 17th May to 1st July 2022 inclusive. Colchester County High School for Girls and Colchester Royal Grammar School intend to hold open days/evenings during June/July 2022. Tests will take place on Saturday 17th September 2022. Free past papers are available at [www.csse.org.uk](http://www.csse.org.uk)

### Military Families' Activity Breaks (FAB)

Families' Activity Breaks (FAB) is a non-public funded, tri-service charity (registered charity number 1178108), providing fun and challenging activity camps around the UK for bereaved Military families. A FAB camp is a fully-paid\* week away for bereaved military families; a welcome break to meet and socialise with others who have experienced a similar loss.



If your child is 19 years old or younger on the first day of camp, and has suffered the loss of a parent or family member while serving in the British Armed Forces, then you may be eligible for a FAB camp. Priority is given to families who fall into the above category, however, military families who have suffered a bereavement outside of this criteria will be considered by the committee on a case by case basis.

*A small holding deposit is requested on confirmation of your place; this will be returned on arrival at the camp.*

**FAB Camps 2022 are in Newlands, Keswick, Cumbria: 29 Jul – 5 Aug 2022 and Stamford, Lincolnshire: 7 – 14 Aug 2022**

If you have any questions please message [families@fabcamps.org.uk](mailto:families@fabcamps.org.uk) and Rae will get back to you and assist you in your application.

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