

# Monty's Mail

News from Montgomery Junior School

6th May 2022



## Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers

With the Queen's Platinum Jubilee fast approaching, the staff have been busy planning how to make the event memorable and enjoyable for the children. On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May, the children are invited to come to school wearing the red, white and blue colours of our Union Jack flag. There will be a range of Jubilee based activities planned for the day, including the decoration of a commemorative plate, which the children can then take home. In the afternoon, there will be a whole school picnic, when the children will be given some traditional English snacks to enjoy. There is no charge for any of the above; we plan to have a fun-filled day to mark this very special occasion.



We were very pleased with the performance of our Netball team, who played both Home Farm Primary School and Prettygate Primary School in the past week. The team played really well and beat Home Farm by 9:2. The game against Prettygate was a hard fought match and we lost by 15:6. Thank you to Mr Armstrong, our new Sports' Coach and Mr Brown, our PE Coordinator for giving their time to organise and run the games.

Our annual Poetry week will take place during the week following the half term break and we are delighted to welcome Karl Nova, poet, hip-hop artist and author to Montgomery Junior School to perform in front of the whole school. You can find out more about Karl on his website: <https://karlnovaworld.wordpress.com/> More details about the Poetry Week to follow.

Finally, a gentle reminder that there is a clear link between attendance and academic achievement. Holidays in term time generally cannot be authorised and may lead to a fixed penalty notice for both parents. We are sympathetic to any extenuating circumstances, but also aware that the children have missed a lot of education in their short lives and need to be in school in order to catch up. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Kind Regards

Michelle A. Wright  
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Headteacher



## ATTENDANCE MATTERS



## Attendance Champions

Congratulations to class **3L** who are our weekly attendance champions this week with 99.1% attendance. Well done everyone in **3L**.

## What's on next week:

### Summer Menu Week 1

### Y6 Standard Assessment Tests (SATS) - Mon-Thurs

#### 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

#### Friday

##### Breakfast clubs:

Monty's Extra

Football Team Training

3:10:4:30pm

## Dates For Your Diary

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

Wednesday 6th July

Y3 Parents Class Visit 3:15-4:30

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## Monty's Marvels



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



Here are our Book Cover Competition winners getting their prizes in assembly today —Congratulations!

#### Date for your Diaries

We would like to invite all parents of our current Year 3-6 classes to come into school on Wednesday 6th July between 3:15 and 4:30 to see their child's classroom, have a look at their workbooks and meet their teachers informally before the end of the academic year. No booking is required. We look forward to welcoming you back to inside our school.



#### Absence during Term Time

Leave of absence can only be authorised by the Headteacher, within the boundaries set by the Education Regulations 2006. Taking your child out of school during term time could be detrimental to their educational progress. **There is no entitlement** to parents/carers to take a child out of school during term time, however you may apply to the school for leave of absence in **exceptional circumstances**. Agreement to each request is at the discretion of the Headteacher, acting on behalf of the Governing Body (Pupil Registration Regulations 2006).

We are sympathetic to the fact that people have been unable to have family holidays or visit family members due to Covid-19 restrictions and urge you to contact the school and discuss personal circumstances with us before booking such holidays for advice. If the absence is not authorised and the leave is taken, the matter will be referred to the Local Authority who may issue a Penalty Notice for £120 (or £60 if paid within 21 days) to each parent / carer for each child taken out of school. Failure to submit a leave of absence request will result in the absence being unauthorised and a referral to the Local Authority who may again issue a Penalty Notice as above.

#### Y6 Trip to Bawdsey Manor

A reminder that all payments need to be in by Monday 9th May 2022. If you are struggling with payments please contact the school and speak to the head teacher by this date. All forms need to be back by Friday 13th May. Thank you for your support in this.



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