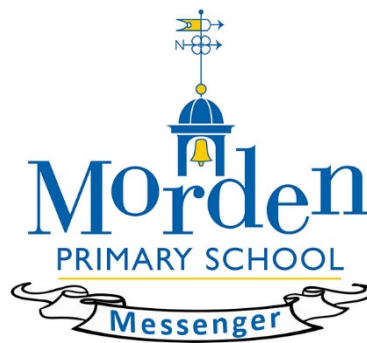


Autumn Term Number 2

Week ending
17th September 2021



Dear Parents and Governors

Learn – Achieve – Enjoy
“Exceptional Pastoral Care” (Ofsted, September 2018)

KEY DATES

Thursday 23rd September – Individual and Family Photos
Monday 11th October – Virtual Parents’ PM
(School will close at 1.30 on this day – Nursery will be open as normal)



25th-29th October – HALF TERM

Sunday 31st October – CLOSING DATE FOR HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSION APPLICATIONS

Monday 1st November – INSET DAY, School closed to children
Tuesday 2nd November – Children return to school
Thursday 4th November – Athlete visit to school
Friday 5th November – MUFTI DAY – bottles for the Christmas Fair
Monday 15th-Friday 19th November – Y5 and Y6 Residential to Sayers Croft

WELCOME TO THE SCHOOL

We would like to officially welcome a new teacher - Miss Casserly to the Morden team. Miss Casserly will be teaching in Year 6 and Year 4 and doing some tutoring across the school. We would also like to welcome Mrs Davies, a new TLA joining the Year 2 and Nursery team.

SAD NEWS

It is with great sadness that we inform you that our lovely Site Manager, Mr Munday, will be retiring this term. Mr Munday has been at Morden for 9 years and the place won't be the same without him! We wish him all the best in his retirement and relocation to the South West of England! We have advertised his position on both the Eteach and Indeed websites.

RECEPTION CLASS (YELLOW) GOOGLE CLASSROOMS

A reminder to our new parents that you need to accept your Google Classroom invitation that was sent home to ensure that your child doesn't miss out on their home learning activities. All children at Morden are expected to use their Google Classroom account for home learning. If you have any difficulties logging on, please email homelearning@morden.merton.sch.uk with the subject line **GOOGLE CLASSROOM ISSUE YELLOW CLASS**. Thank you

RECEPTION AND NURSERY CHILDREN

Bookbags are an essential part of our Morden uniform and supports the children in being prepared for learning. We do not have the cloakroom space for rucksacks in our younger classes. All Reception and Nursery children especially should have a bookbag so that letters and children's work can be sent home. Bookbags are available to purchase from the school office and online through our uniform supplier – MAPAC.

CONGREGATING AT THE SCHOOL GATES/ENTRANCES

Please can I urge parents not to congregate by the entry gates as we are still continuing to stagger entries of classes and ensure there is ample space on the footpath for everyone to move about safely. The EYFS gate at the top is a particularly challenging area as parents have been congregating with buggies and pushchairs which essentially blocks the footpath and causes some of our parents to unsafely walk onto the dual carriageway to get round. Please do move to a wider area of the footpath to chat to other parents before/after school and help us keep the gate entries as free as possible. Thank you for your support with this.

HEAD GIRL, HEAD BOY, HOUSE CAPTAINS – PUPIL LEADERSHIP TEAM (PLT)

I am so very proud of our Year 6 children who really challenged themselves to apply for the various leadership positions we have available for the children this year. After writing and presenting their campaign speeches for why they wanted the roles, staff and children across the school democratically voted in a secret ballot. There were some very close results!

Congratulations to our 2021-2022 Pupil Leadership Team:

Head Girl: Eleisha; Head Boy: Isireli
Deputy Head Girl: Lilymay; Deputy Head Boy: Jibran
Rufous House Captains: Russell, Sofia
Comet House Captains: Ajay, Benedicta
Xantus House Captains: Awais, Amber
Zafiro House Captains: Aliyana, Masroor
Firecrown House Captains: Caitlin, Sanoshan

Congratulations to these children and the other children who also campaigned. We are proud of you all. Our next layer of leadership is our Pupil Management team which will be made up of School Council representatives from each of the classes. We look forward to those election results soon!

PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING – DON'T LET YOUR CHILD MISS OUT!

Did you know that Pupil Premium is extra government money, paid to schools to support children's learning and development? It's quick and easy to find out if we can claim for your child.

Are you currently receiving or have received any of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Jobseeker's Allowance (Income Based)
- Employment Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Child Tax Credit (but not Working Tax Credit) and your annual gross income (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs) is not more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit Run-on paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit
- Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit

If so, we could be entitled to extra funding to spend on your child's education, and if your child is eligible they can have free school dinners.

It only takes a couple of minutes to complete the form and is free for us or you to check. Therefore we ask **ALL** parents and carers to either complete a short form online by clicking here: https://self.merton.gov.uk/service/Pupil_Premium_and_Free_School_Meals_application or if you prefer, we do have paper copies in the office. If you haven't already done so, please complete a form and submit to the school as soon as possible. The Government determine the level of funding given to each school annually using information gathered in the Autumn Term Census - this year it will be taken on Thursday 7 October, **so please get any forms to us by Friday 1 October to give us time to check your child's eligibility.**

Don't let us miss out on this extra money that we could be spending on the children now.

100 LAPS OF KINDNESS SPONSORSHIP EVENT

Congratulations to the following children who were our top sponsors for our 100 Laps of Kindness event.

1st prize went to Mason in Y1
2nd prize went to Hannah in Y2.

Other top sponsors were:

Nursery: Troy
 Reception: Johannes, Fatima
 Red: Amy-Grace, William, Mason, Maria
 Green: Cleo, Mason, Hannah, Saoirse
 Blue: Cody-Joe, Taliah
 Purple: Hazel, Lovinda
 Silver: Jessica

Thank you everyone for your support!

NATIONAL FILM WEEK

We have been fortunate to secure tickets for the National Film Week. Our understanding is that each school will be the only one present in the cinema for covid-protective measures.

11th November – Y1 and Y2 Sutton Cinema

12th November – Y5 and Y6 Haymarket

12th November – Y4 Sutton Cinema

16th November – Y3 Sutton cinema

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations this week's Learners of the Week

w/e 17th September WEEK 2

CLASS	LEARNER OF THE WEEK		HIGH 5 - VALUE WINNER	
	NAME	REASON	NAME	REASON
Yellow	<u>Kaydeigh</u>	For demonstrating her addition continuous provision.	<u>Ayeza</u>	Respect: for assisting her friends/teachers to tidy up.
Red	<u>Dunya</u>	Fantastic literacy learning	Ares	Teamwork – helping all his friends in class
Green	Charlotte	Showing 100% in all her learning this week. Well done	<u>Jaishan</u>	Resilience in his learning this week, well done.
Blue	Cody-Joe	Excellent engagement in all his lessons	<u>Taliah</u>	Challenge – for trying hard this week
Purple	Ryan	For a fantastic plan for his storm story	Natalia	Taking responsibility for improving her writing.
Silver	Jude	For working with 100% effort all week in maths.	Sama	Resilience: For ignoring distractions and putting 100% effort into your own learning.
Gold	Diana	Super participation throughout history lesson understanding the importance of the Rive Nile to Ancient Egyptians	Beatrix	Challenge: developing her football skills in P.E.

Hummingbird Team Point Chart: Autumn 1 2021



whole school	Rufous	Comet	Zafiro	Xanthus	Firecrown
wc 2.9.2021	51	56	45	45	55
wc 9.9.2021	112	116	104	107	139
wc 16.9.2021					
wc 23.9.2021					
wc 30.9.2021					
wc 7.10.2021					
wc 14.10.2021					
wc 21.10.2021					
Total	163	172	149	152	194



NURSERY FULL TIME PLACES

Would you like your child to attend Nursery full time (8.30-3.15pm)?

Morden Primary School currently offers 30 hour per week Nursery placements; either to families eligible for Extended Free Early Years Education, or to families who wish to pay for an extended placement. Please contact the office for further information and see the link on our website. [nursery – Morden Primary School](#)

MORDEN GO FUND ME – IT EQUIPMENT

https://www.gofundme.com/f/morden-primary-post-covid-classroom-upgrade?utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_source=customer

We are trying really hard to fundraise for much needed funds to upgrade our 9-year-old iPads. Our aim to fundraise is £10,000.

HUMMINGBIRD WINNERS – Well done!

Winners this week...

PLATINUM: Hazel



Mrs P. Blow, Headteacher