

Autumn Term Number 3
 Week ending
 20th September 2024



Dear Parents and Governors

Learn – Achieve – Enjoy

"High levels of pastoral support are at the heart of the school community"
(Ofsted, April 2024)

KEY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Mon 23 rd Sept	Harvest Collection begins
Thurs 3 rd Oct	Special school dinner menu served.
Fri 4 th Oct	Year 5 class assembly
Weds 9 th Oct	School Photos
Thurs 10th Oct	Parents Evening – School closes at 1pm
Weds 16 th Oct	Flu Vaccinations for Rec – Y6
Thurs 17 th Oct	PTA Film Night
Fri 18 th Oct	Year 1 class assembly
Fri 18 th Oct	Show Racism the Red Card (wear it red)
Fri 18 th Oct	PTA Spooky Cakes sold after school (in lieu of tuckshop this week)
Thurs 24 th Oct	Maths Week Dress up Day
Fri 25 th Oct	INSET DAY

HALF TERM – 28th October – 1st November

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE:

This week we announced the results of our Head Girl and Head Boy elections. All 11 children were amazing and their speeches were inspirational. It was truly a difficult decision for all children and staff and the results were the closest we have seen in a number of years. This year's Head Girl is Nomana; Deputy Head Girl is Aurora; Head Boy is Matthew; Deputy Head Boy is Jaheim. They are going to be a very powerful pupil leadership team (PLT) and I look forward to the inspirational manner in which they will lead the school. Congratulations to all 11 children who nominated themselves and campaigned – I am proud of every one of you.

Next week we will have the outcomes of our House Captain winners after they have delivered their speeches to their individual hummingbird teams.

Pupil voice is very strong at Morden and we very proud of our children making a difference.

We also held a very successful PTA AGM this week – our biggest turn out ever! We have a new committee now which includes parent representatives for each of the classes. We are seeking representatives in Silver, Gold and Nursery so if you are interested, please do pop in and let us know. The reps are a link between the class parents and the PTA and are instrumental in ensuring everyone is included and invited – the Morden Way.

HUMMINGBIRD WINNERS – Well done!

BRONZE: Sam P.

SILVER: Kaydeigh

GOLD: Aaban

PLATINUM: Charlotte

HUMMINGBIRD: Imani

SILVER 2: Dunya, Annabel, Alexa



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Learner of the week

Class	Name	Reason
Yellow	Duan Gurung	demonstrating perseverance when writing the new graphemes in phonics this week.
Red	Ciaran Geraghty	for his fantastic improvement in his handwriting this week. Well done, Ciaran.
Green	Loida Adjet	For an excellent first piece of writing in year 2.
Blue	Ernie Micallef	For being super active during all of our maths lessons this week and volunteering lots of answers.
Purple	Lyla McNamara	For using great descriptive language in her writing, in Literacy
Silver	Gabriell Tugovas	For amazing speaking and writing in French this week.
Gold	Adrian Czarnacki	Enthusiasm and determination to achieve his Gold Class ambition already.

Save Learners of the Week

High 5 of the Week

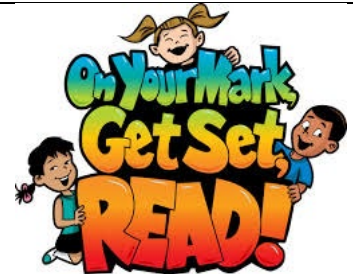
Class	Name	Reason
Yellow Class	Kash Lenny Parbery	Resilience and Challenge- Well done Kash you worked hard and showed great skill dribbling the ball in PE.
Red Class	Daisy-Mae Kennett	Challenge - for trying to complete all her tasks. Well done, Daisy!
Green Class	Akira Patel	Responsibility- For always helping with jobs without needing to be asked.
Blue Class	Ayeza Babar	Teamwork. For always being ready to assist her learning partner and role modeling good learning behaviour at her table.
Purple Class	Alexa Acheampong	Responsibility - for being responsible, especially in her litter picking duty.
Silver Class	Talvin Birrane	Responsibility - for putting in 100% effort to listen well in every lesson.
Gold Class	Areesha Ahmed	Responsibility - great questions and observations during our science lesson in Morden Park.

Save High 5

READING KINDLE WINNERS

Every child in Y1-Y6 who has 5 adult signatures Wednesday to Wednesday, has their name entered into a raffle. Three winners are selected in assembly to win our Kindles for a week. This week's winners are:

- **Y1 & Y2 – Poppy**
- **Y3 & Y4 – Danilo**
- **Y5 & Y6 - Nomana**



Well done everyone and keep reading! **Mrs Danaher, Literacy Leader**

MATHS TIMES TABLE ROCK STARS CHAMPIONS

Each week in assembly, we celebrate children on the TT Rockstars leaders' board. Children in Year 2-6 compete in this competition. **All children In Y2-6 are expected to complete a minimum of 30 minuter PER week and this is checked every Wednesday ready for our celebration assembly on Thursday.** This week's winners are:

Improved Speed	Name
1 st	Amy-Grace
2 nd	Alexa
3 rd	Taliah

Improved Accuracy	Name
1 st	Teddy T
2 nd	Mason B
3 rd	Alek

Most Correct Answers:	Name
1 st	Aurora
2 nd	Rhiley
3 rd	Adel



Well done everyone! **Mrs Green, Maths Learning Leader**

SOCIAL MEDIA

We want to remind parents about the age limits and potential risks associated with social media platforms and apps. Please refer to the attached document for important and useful information to help you navigate these concerns and ensure your child's online safety.

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

IN-APP SPENDING

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

DANGEROUS CHALLENGES

MISINFORMATION AND RADICALISATION

ADVICE FOR PARENTS & EDUCATORS

- ENABLE FAMILY PAIRING**
- MAKE ACCOUNTS PRIVATE**
- LIMIT IN-APP SPENDING**
- DISCUSS THE DANGERS**
- READ THE SIGNS**

Meet Our Expert: Alan Martin, an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechCrunch, Tom's Guide, The Evening Standard and The New Statesman.

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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ROBLOX

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

ONLINE DATERS

PUBLIC SERVERS

IN-APP PURCHASES

SET PARENTAL CONTROLS

DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING

PRIVATE SERVERS

MONITOR SPENDING

DEALING WITH STRANGERS

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

CONNECTING WITH STRANGERS

CONNECT WITH STRANGERS

TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

RADICALISATION

SNEAKY SCAMMERS

ADVICE FOR PARENTS & EDUCATORS

- APPLY RESTRICTED MODE**
- TRY GOOGLE FAMILY**
- MONITOR ENGAGEMENT**
- CONSIDER YOUTUBE KIDS**
- CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS**
- LIMIT SPENDING**

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SCAMS AND BLACKMAIL

EXCESSIVE USE

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

ADVICE FOR PARENTS & EDUCATORS

- SET CONTROLS VIA FAMILY CENTRE**
- TALK ABOUT REAL LIFE SCAMS**
- DISCUSS AI**
- CHAT ABOUT CONTENT**
- KEEP ACCOUNTS PRIVATE**
- BE READY TO BLOCK AND REPORT**

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PLATINUM SPORTSMARK ACHIEVEMENT

We are so pleased to announce that Morden Primary have been awarded The Platinum Sports Mark Award. This award recognises those schools which show exceptional achievement, highly innovative schemes or outstanding progress in meeting their sporting aims. The award is recognition is for the hard work staff put in to ensuring that children receive high quality development leading to an active lifestyle.

Morden have also been awarded The School Games Mark award. This award is given to those schools that want to challenge themselves and demonstrate their progress over time against a national benchmark. The key areas the school was judged on are the clubs and events children are able to access, how children are engaged to take part in school sport and activities in the wider community, how the school ensures children have 60 active minutes a day and how children are encouraged to be the best they can through sport and PE.

Ms Hume – Sports Leader

PARENTS EVENING

We would like to remind you that our Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday, 10th October. Letters with instructions on how to book your appointment have been sent home today.

Please note the following for the day:

1. **School will close at 1pm.**
2. **Nursery will be open as usual.**
3. **Appointment times:**
 - For Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 4, Year 5, and Year 6:
 - **In-person:** 2pm – 5pm
 - **Virtual:** 5pm – 7pm
 - For Year 2 and Year 3:
 - **In-person:** 8.30am – 11.30am
 - **Virtual:** 5.30pm – 7.30pm

Unfortunately, appointments cannot be rescheduled for a different day.

PARENTS EVENING/MORDEN MARVELS

Parents Evening will be held on Thursday 10th October and school will close at 1pm. Morden Marvels will be open until 5pm to accommodate families that already have a booking. For children who normally attend Morden Marvels on Thursdays, their session is included up to 4pm. If you would like your children to stay the extra hour until 5pm, there will be an additional charge of £5. For children who do not usually attend Morden Marvels, you can book an adhoc session at a rate of £17 on Parents evening for 1pm-4pm, or £22 the full session 1pm-5pm. All children will receive a hot snack or meal during their stay. To make a booking, please email Mrs Freeman at mordenmarvels@morden.merton.sch.uk.

CONTACT DETAILS

If any of your contact details (address, telephone number, email etc) have changed, please let us know. It is essential that we have the correct details for your child on our system. We also require at least one other contact person in the event that we are unable to get hold of you in an emergency. Thank you



AUTUMN TERM CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Throughout the Autumn term, each class presents a class assembly for their parents. These are held at 9am and entrance is via Door B (the carpark door) Please see below the dates each of these will be held:

Friday 4th October – Silver Class
Friday 18th October – Red Class
Friday 8th November – Gold Class (Remembrance assembly)
Friday 15th November – Purple class
Friday 22nd November – Green Class
Friday 29th November – Blue Class

Reception will have an assembly in the Spring term to give them time to settle into Big School!

AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Get ready for some football fun! Multisports4U is back running after school football clubs at our school, kicking off at 4.15pm. Don't miss out—reserve your spot and get all the details through the link below!

<https://multisports4all.co.uk/morden-primary-school/>

CHARITY COFFEE MORNING



You're Invited to Our Charity Coffee Morning!

Join us for a morning of coffee, cakes, and conversation – all for a great cause!

We're raising funds for Macmillan Cancer to help raise vital funds to support the 3 million people in the UK living with cancer and we'd love for you to be a part of it.

Please bring along **homemade or shop-bought cakes** to share with the school community. Whether it's your signature bake or a favourite shop bought cake, all contributions are welcome!



Friday 27th September
8.45am – 10.15am
School Studio



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Mrs P. Blow, Headteacher

