



Morley CE VA Primary School



Executive Head Teacher: Mrs Laura Green

Work together, learn together, grow together...

Newsletter 32 - Friday 15th June

Value for life - Responsibility

Upcoming events

Sports Day 19/06/18 from 11am
Summer fete 19/06/18 from 3.30pm
Bikeability - third group 21/06/18 & 22/06/18
West Runton trip (KS1) 25/06/18
Royal Norfolk Show (KS2) 28/06/18

Current Clubs

Football club KS2: 3:15-4:15 05/06/18 - 10/07/18
Premier sport Gymnastics KS1 & KS2: 3.25-4.25
07/06/18 - 19/07/18
Learn Play Grow KS1 3:15-4:15
20/04/2018-13/07/2018

Dear Parents / carers

Changes for September

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Ryan, Mrs Cumberlidge and Mrs Douglas at the end of this term. Mrs Ryan will be taking up a specialist maths appointment at Ormiston Denes Academy, Mrs Cumberlidge will be teaching at West Earlham Infant School which is more local to her and Mrs Douglas is retiring. I'm sure you will want to join us in wishing them all well in their future ventures.

Mrs Ketley, who has been teaching our Year 2 pupils (Robins Class) at Tacolneston, will be taking over as our Special Educational Needs Leader. Mrs Ketley and Mrs Douglas have been working together this term to ensure a smooth handover. Parents/carers of pupils with special educational needs will be invited to meet Mrs Ketley during the early part of the Autumn Term to ensure that she has the most up-to-date information from you.

Mrs Cooper will be moving to Pine Class for 2 days per week and to Kingfishers Class at Tacolneston for 1 day per week. Mrs Thompson will be moving to Eagles Class at Tacolneston.

We have made two excellent appointments for Sycamore Class and Rowan Class. Mr East will be teaching Sycamore Class and Mr Clements will be teaching Rowan Class.

We are very excited about these changes and know that you will all give your usual warm welcome to our new teachers.

Uniform

We have noticed that some children are wearing grey or black cardigans and jumpers. Please ensure that your child has a navy blue cardigan or sweatshirt in line with our uniform policy. It is also important that your child comes to school wearing sensible shoes. Some pupils are arriving in trainers.

Homework

We asked the children to tell us what they think about homework and here are some of the findings:

- 85% of pupils think that homework helps them to learn
- 79% of pupils think that doing homework helps them to do well at school
- 64% of pupils say that they think about and take their time over homework
- 85% of pupils understand what they have to do for their homework often, very often or always
- Maths and Reading are the most popular activities for homework

We have discussed homework at the Parent Forum meetings and have taken into account parents and pupils views when reviewing our Homework Policy this term. We are attaching a Homework Leaflet to explain our policy and you can find a copy of the Homework Policy on our website. Thank you for your contributions and support for homework.

Health Update:

I have been overwhelmed by the kind and caring well wishes that I have received since returning to Tacolneston and Morley Schools this week. I've been most touched by the way in which the children have been offering to help me. Thank you for your support. I am feeling stronger (and less grumpy!) day by day.

Additional Learning Café

Coach Ian is hosting a Healthy Eating / PE Learning Café for **Chestnut Class** on Tuesday 3rd July. It will be from 2pm - 3pm and parents are warmly invited. You are very welcome to take part in the activities if you wish so please wear trainers!

Sports Day

This is on Tuesday 19th June on the school field. It starts at 11am with a break between 12 - 1.15 for a picnic lunch. FOMPS will be on site providing refreshments and will be running a barbecue. Please can your child wear a t-shirt in their house colour if possible? We look forward to seeing you for a fun afternoon.

The School Council will be out and about during sports day with a bucket collecting any 'loose change' for the British Heart Foundation.

Dress Down Day

Tuesday 19th June is also a 'Dress-down' day for the children. They can come to school in non-uniform before changing into their PE kit for Sports day after which they can change back and enjoy the fun of the summer fete! There is a price to be paid for this privilege though so we are asking for a raffle donation or filled jam jar as the 'fine' for wearing non-uniform! The FOMPS will have a table at the school gate for you to put your donation at the start of the school day. Any cake or biscuit donations very welcome on the day. Thank you.

Willow Class Year 5 Homework.

The children in Willow class have been set homework in a booklet until the end of the term. This comprises the spelling patterns we shall be looking at until the end of the year (one a week) and an activity to support these.

We are investigating different methods of learning spelling and the children also have a login for Spellingframe (a free site which they can use to practice their spelling on). We would be grateful for any feedback.

My Maths: I have also set My Maths homework on areas where the children made errors on the NFER tests or areas which they may previously have covered but would benefit from revisiting and improving their score.

While the Year 6 children were in Buxton, the children were also left work on My Maths. If this was not completed during last week, this is also in their portal.

If the children want additional work, please take the opportunity to complete any unfinished reading passports or to do some of the activities from the Going for Gold booklet.

Thank you
Mrs O'Dell

Medieval night at Wymondham Abbey

Wymondham Abbey will host a Medieval Night on Wednesday 20 June between 4:30 and 7:30 pm - FREE

The year is 1348 and the Plague is coming!

Come and enjoy all things medieval at Wymondham Abbey. There will be 10 experts in medieval life demonstrating their skills in a fun and interactive way and it is all completely free! Meet a soldier with all of his weapons, a plague doctor with all of his remedies, a falconer with all of his birds of prey, an archer with an opportunity for you to lose a few arrows, an executioner with many infamous instruments of torture and a jester where you can learn to caper and cavort. Meet a seamstress, listen to some musicians, a herald and the locals of Wymondham of 1348!

You will also be able to buy a hog roast on the site and other refreshments.

So escape the World Cup for a few hours and come along to the Abbey next Wednesday - anytime between 4:30 and 7:30

Reminders

Gymnastics with premier Sport

There are still spaces for the Gymnastic sessions run by Premier Sport on Thursday afternoons after school. Please see Mrs Ralphs if you would like a booking form.

School Council

The School Council committee has placed a dog food collection bin in the hall foyer. It is in support of their chosen charity 'The Dog's Trust'. Unopened dog food welcomed until Friday 13th July. Thank you for your support.

New website coming!

We are in the process of developing our new website. We hope it may be up and running in the next week or so - watch this space!

Fundraising news

One of our mums, Nicola Burman, is organizing various fundraising events during this year to raise money for the Guide Dogs for the Blind charity. Nicola's daughter is in Pine Class and will need a Guide Dog when she is older. The next big event will be a Quiz'n'Chips night. The quiz night will be on 28th July at Hethersett Village Hall, doors open at 7.30pm, quiz to start at 8pm. Teams of up to 8 people, £15 per head includes fish/sausage chips(vegetarian option available). People to bring their own drinks. There will be prizes for the winning team and best team name. For more information, please find Nicola on the playground or contact her through the school.

FOMPS News

Ice Cream sales

Each Friday afternoon this half term, the FOMPS will be selling ice lollies at the end of the school day.



Summer Fete

The school fete is fast approaching, if anyone can volunteer to organise and run a stall please get in touch. This will be a non uniform day in return for either a filled jam jar, a bottle of something or a general raffle prize. These need to be brought in on the day. Children will then change into their PE kits once they get to school, then they have their home clothes for the fete afterwards. Donations for the cake stall will also be gratefully received! As you know, none of these fundraising events happen without volunteers, so please come forward to help raise money for the children in our school. Thank you

House Points:

Blickling: 910

Felbrigg: 836

Holkham: 874

Oxburgh: 837

Have a lovely weekend

Laura Green

Attachments:

- School Diary
- Tennis Club Summer info
- Parents guide to homework

Whole school attendance:

98.9%