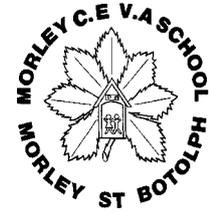




# Morley CE VA Primary School



Executive Head Teacher: Mrs Laura Green

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## Newsletter 23 - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March

### Value for life - Perseverance

#### Upcoming events

#### Current Clubs

Learn, Play, Grow KS1 3.15 - 4.15 17/1/20 - 27/3/20  
Handball KS2 3.15 - 4.15 15/01/19 - 25/03/19  
Art Club KS2 3.15 - 4.15 02/03/20-30/03/20  
Football KS2 3.15 - 4.15 25/02/20-31/03/20  
Multisport Yr 2,3 & 4 - 3.15-4.15 24/02/20-30/03/20  
Gymnastics (All) 3.20 - 4.20 16/01/20 - 26/03/20  
KS1 Homework Club - Monday lunchtimes  
Computer Club - Monday lunchtimes  
Indoor Games Club - Monday lunchtimes  
KS2 Choir - Wednesday lunchtimes

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Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

#### **Covid-19 Update**

As you will have seen on yesterday's news, the government guidance on coronavirus risk management has changed.

**If any child, or adult, has a new continuous cough OR a high temperature (>37.8 degrees) they should self-isolate for 7 days. Can all parents please be vigilant in following this guidance.**

If a child in school exhibits **either** of these symptoms they will be removed from class and parents contacted immediately to collect them from school.

The key goals of the school are to:

- limit any chance of transition of the virus within our community
- carry out our duty to keep children safe
- maintain standards of education
- where possible keep the school open to limit the impact on our community

*Please refer to our website for our Safeguarding Policy and all other policies*

In light of the above aims it is important we strictly enforce the new 7 days isolation guidance for staff and children. To reduce risk of transmission, in consultation with the governing body, we have decided to postpone all **parent** events until at least after the Easter holidays when it will be reviewed again. This includes the following events:

- Parent / Carers tea party: 20<sup>th</sup> March
- Rock Steady Concert: 31<sup>st</sup> March
- Easter Service and Easter Egg Hunt: 31<sup>st</sup> March
- FOMPS Easter Bake Sale: 31<sup>st</sup> March
- FOMPS Disco: 1<sup>st</sup> April

We are planning for the Easter Service and Egg Hunt to go ahead, in school, with staff and children only.

This decision has been taken to reduce the opportunities for virus transmission on a local level to allow us to maintain the goals listed above. Therefore, we are also cancelling the CASMA Concert which was due to take place on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March and the trip to Thetford Forest for Pine & Oak Classes on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April. You will already be aware that the planned trip to Wembley Arena on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March is postponed until May.

We will be reviewing our plans to visit Eaton Vale from April 22<sup>nd</sup> – April 24<sup>th</sup> and will inform parents of our decision as soon as possible.

The school remains open and lessons are unaffected. However, if the UK government decides to close schools, or, in the future, significant staff absence were to mean the school had to close for safeguarding reasons, we will place school work on your child's class page on our website. In the event of a closure no work would be issued on the first day whilst arrangements are made but would be accessible from the second day of any closure. Your child should have their My Maths and Times Tables Rockstars logins in their Homework books, but please check this so that we can ensure they have access to these sites during a period of school closure.

We have been taking additional cleaning measures in line with guidance and will continue to do so and would continue to ask families who travel abroad to follow government guidance and inform us where they have visited.

We will continue to give you updates as we receive them. In the meantime, thank you for your support and understanding during this turbulent time for us all.

Yours sincerely



Laura Green  
Executive Head Teacher

### **Moisturiser**

Some children may be experiencing dryness on their hands at the moment. This is likely to be due to the extra handwashing the children are doing, particularly as children may not usually wash the backs of their hands as much as they are now. It is important to keep hands moisturized as much as possible so if your child does have dry skin, you can send them in with a small tub or tube of moisturizing cream.

### **Easter egg hunt**

As the children will still be able to take part in the annual Easter Egg hunt, we would be very grateful for any Easter egg donations. Small, wrapped eggs are ideal but please check the ingredients as we cannot use any eggs containing nuts. Please drop in any eggs to the school office from Monday (Mrs Ralphs promises not to eat them!) Thank you.

### **Reminders:**

#### **Plant to Plate scheme**

Morley have registered with the EDP so any tokens collected from Archant Newspapers would be greatly appreciated. We should be receiving a collection box but in the meantime, just drop off any tokens at the school office. Thank you for your support.

#### **After School Library**

The school library is open to all children on Tuesdays after school. Mrs Higgs and Ms Braden are on hand to assist anyone who wishes to borrow books to read at home! Pop in when you collect your child and have a browse.

#### **100 Club - School fundraiser - it could be you . . .**

For just £3.00 per number which covers Spring and Summer Term, you are in for a great chance of winning cash prizes. If we can sell all 100 numbers we will have £60 every term to give away as well as raising money for the school.

Please contact the school office to find out which numbers are available to purchase.



### **Out of school achievements:**

Jamie, Josh and Abi in Willow competed in their first Judo competition last weekend and all came home with medals. Well done to all of you!

### **Attachments:**

- Minutes of Parent Forum
- Miraculous Me poster
- Norse recipe poster
- School Diary

Whole School Attendance: 96.1%

Have a lovely weekend  
Laura Green

# PARENT FORUM

## MORLEY CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

### 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020

## Items Discussed:

### **Homework:**

Parents felt that the teething problems over homework had been sorted out now, eg. children being given 2 weeks to complete written work and parents and children know which days homework is due in. Some children are not recording their spelling test scores.

### **Church Services:**

The Church service went very well at Christmas. Parents would find it helpful to have costume donations in future years. We will ask parents to donate unwanted nativity costumes in October.

### **Bags and Coats:**

Parents understand the need for the new arrangements from the beginning of the summer term. Children will only be allowed to have book bags (which will be kept in the classrooms), packed lunch bags/boxes (kept on the trolley) and draw string kit bags. Mrs Green agreed to children having plastic bags for any extra footwear that won't fit in kit bags or is too dirty to go in a kit bag.

### **Cycle Shed:**

Parents are noticing that there is not enough room to store their children's bikes now that we are storing the tricycles there. We may need to consider buying a shed for the tricycles.

### **Coronavirus:**

Parents asked if there was any information to be shared about school closures. Mrs Green explained that teachers are writing letters for their parents to set out work that children can do at home during a school closure. The letters and resources will be available on the school website within the class page.

### **Morning Drop Off:**

Parents are noticing that there are a large number of children being left on the forecourt of the school before the time for the gate to be opened. Children who arrive by taxi are also waiting outside. Mrs Green will do spot checks to monitor this and ensure that children who are dropped off by taxi come into school straight away.

### **Driving Around School:**

Parents have noticed that drivers are dropping off on the zig zags and some people reverse across the school entrance. They asked if a community policeman could come to the school. Mrs Green explained that we don't have community policemen anymore.

The issue of parking and traffic around schools has been delegated to South Norfolk Council and they always pass the matter back for the community to resolve. Mrs Green will carry out spot checks and write letters to parents who are being unsafe around our children.

## Action Log:

<b>Homework</b>		<b>Completed</b>
1	Ensure that children are recording their test scores in their homework books	
<b>Nativity Costumes:</b>		
2	Notify parents to donate their old nativity costumes in October for the up and coming nativity play	
<b>Cycle Shed:</b>		
3	Talk to FOMPS about buying a shed to store the tricycles	
<b>Morning Drop Off:</b>		
4	Mrs Green to speak to children who are dropped off by taxi as they should be coming straight into school.	
5	Mrs Green to carry out spot checks to find out which children are being left outside school on their own.	

**Next Parent Forum: Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June @ 9am**



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Tuesdays 4-5pm

Scout hut (near Morrisons),  
Wymondham

5 week course starting 21st April. £25  
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# EAT THEM TO DEFEAT THEM



## Chicken and Sweetcorn Carbonara

*This delicious dish is taken from our Primary School recipe collection. The sweetcorn works really well with the creamy sauce and pasta!*

Serves 4

### Ingredients

300g	Chicken Breast – diced
2g	Garlic Puree
75g	White Onion – finely diced
100g	Frozen Sweetcorn - defrosted
250ml	Vegetable Stock
250ml	Semi Skimmed Milk
20g	Margarine
20g	Plain Flour
Pinch	Ground White Pepper
100g	Pasta Twists
100g	Wholemeal Pasta Twists

### Method

1. Cook the diced chicken in a pan on a moderate heat until cooked through.
2. Boil the pasta as per packet instructions.
3. Meanwhile melt the margarine in a pan and add the onions and garlic puree and gently cook for 5 minutes.
4. Add the flour to the margarine, onions and garlic to make a roux and cook out the flour for a few minutes. Slowly add the stock and milk, stirring at all times.
5. Season the sauce with white pepper and add the sweetcorn followed by the chicken and bring back up to temperature.
6. Served mixed with the hot pasta.



SUNSHINE  
MAKES THEM  
STRONGER

# DIARY DATES 2019/2020



**EASTER HOLIDAYS - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April**



## **SUMMER TERM**

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April - Eaton Vale residential for Yr 4

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May - FOMPS Quiz 'n' Chilli evening

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday, School closed

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May - Open Morning in all classes 10am - 11.30am

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Crazy Hair Day for a bag of sweets

**HALF TERM - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - Pine class reading café 9am

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June - London residential trip for Yr 5

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Oak class assembly 9am

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June - Willow reading café 9am

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June - Oak reading café 9am

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June - residential visit to Buxton for Yr 6

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June - Pine class assembly 9am

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Rowan reading café 9am

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June - SPORTS DAY - change of date

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June - Sycamore reading café 9am

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July - Willow performance 2.30pm

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July - Leavers' Service 9am School Hall

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July - End of term

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July - FOMPS end of year Disco