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*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace
1 Peter 4:10*

20th November 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

COVID-19 Update

I'd like to say a big thank you to everyone for the way in which you are following all the guidelines and keeping our community safe. In school, we are getting on with our job despite having a number of staff out at the current time due to the need to self-isolate. Staff working from home, will be teaching remotely and making daily contact with the children in their class. Those of you who have children self-isolating, please make sure that you let your class teacher know if you are having any difficulty with accessing the home learning. We can provide hard copies of school work for those that need it and we can loan laptops to those most in need.



Christmas video montage

You should all have received information about the photographs and Christmas carol video this week. Thank you for the lovely feedback we have had already to this idea – it is important to us to hear your thoughts.

I have had some queries about nativity costumes; we will not be casting children as a particular character this year so they are welcome to dress as any Christmassy character or they are very welcome to wear festive clothes if they would prefer. Costumes or outfits need to be in a named carrier bag and brought to school by December 7th **at the latest** although any time the week before would be preferable to allow for quarantining.



Christmas Lunch

We will be holding our Christmas lunch on Tuesday 15th December. This year it will be slightly different with the children enjoying the Norse Christmas party menu. This includes assorted sandwiches, mini pizzas, sausage rolls, crisps and 'Rudolph' snacks (carrot sticks), Chocolate 'Christmas Pudding' Krispie Cake and a satsuma. Nearly all the children have the school Christmas lunch so we don't need to know if your child does want the lunch but if you know your child definitely **won't** have the party menu, please can you inform the school office. Thank you.

Change of menu

On **Thursday 17th December** the kitchen will be busy preparing food for Tacolneston's party lunch so there will be a reduced menu here at Morley.

This will be;

Chicken and Tomato Pasta with Pea and Sweetcorn Medley

or

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Baked Beans

Followed by Dinky Doughnuts

There will be no snack pack lunches available on either Tuesday or Thursday that week.

REMINDERS

School Photographer visit

The school photographers have rescheduled their visit to be in school for Tuesday 8th December. This will be dependent on the government restrictions allowing for this at that time.

Winter Uniform

With the need to ensure classrooms are well ventilated, you may wish to provide your children with extra layers of clothing. Please provide any additional items of clothing to ensure that your child is warm, eg. thermal underwear, additional school jumper, body warmer to wear over the jumper.

Sugar Appeal

Many of you will know that each year, at this time, we ask each family to donate a bag of sugar for a local charity that supports the homeless. In previous years you have been very generous to this worthwhile charity so we would like you to support it again this Christmas by sending a bag (or 2!) of sugar to the school office. So next time you are at the supermarket buying baking ingredients for those mince pies you are sure to be producing soon, slip an extra bag of sugar in your trolley and give it to your child to bring in to school.

Many thanks for your support. BEFA greatly appreciate your donations each year and in fact Morley School ranks as one of the highest donating schools in the region – so well done and keep it up!

100 Club – School fundraiser – it could be you

For just £5.00 per number for the whole school year you are in for a great chance of winning cash prizes every term. If we can sell all 100 numbers we will have £60 every term to give away as well as raising money for the school. **Prizes of £30, £20 & £10.**



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

Library news

All Norfolk Library branches **closed** on Thursday November 5th as part of the second lockdown. We're looking forward to being able to welcome you back in to libraries when it's safe to do so, until then, please check out what we can offer you online:

Accessing books

You can still join the library by visiting: <https://norfolk.spydus.co.uk/cgi-bin/spydus.exe/MSGTRN/WPAC/LOGINB?HOMEPRMS=GENPARAMS>

Your details will be sent to you by email, with a card to follow in the post.

Joining the library gives you access to a large range of audio books and eBooks for children and adults. You can download them online at norfolk.overdrive.com or using the Libby app. All e-downloads are free, and there are no reservation charges or overdue charges. If you need help to get started you can email libraries.iconnect@norfolk.gov.uk

Need some ideas to get you started? Our [YouTube Channel](#) has videos of library staff talking about their favourite books, as does the [National Shelf Service Channel](#), created by librarians nationwide during the first lockdown. We'll be posting recommendations on our Facebook page daily to help you get inspired.

Still need help? Send us a message via [Norfolk Libraries for Families](#) and our librarian team will recommend some books for you.

Things to do

- For under 5s- every week on [Facebook](#) we share a picture book story at 12pm on Mondays. The story is available all week for you to watch back, and we suggest some fun activities you can do linked to the story.
- Also for younger children- we share a weekly Rhyme Time on Tuesdays at 10am on both [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#), with all the previous ones available online to watch too.
- Our online Lego Club sets you a new challenge every other Wednesday at 4.30pm and the next new challenge will be on Wednesday 18th November. You can check out our past challenge videos too on [Facebook](#).
- Saturday morning story club begins on November 21st. Each week, we'll share a new chapter of a festive tale. Keep an eye on our [Facebook page](#) for updates.
- Our Zoom storywriters club is for children 8-11 to chat about story ideas and writing and meets every Friday at 4.15pm. If your child would like to join please contact libraries.iconnect@norfolk.gov.uk
- We're adding new code clubs for children aged 8-11. If you'd like to register your interest please contact libraries.iconnect@norfolk.gov.uk



FOMPS News



Big PTA Raffle

Our FOMP's fundraising has taken a big hit this year, so we'd like to end this term on a high, and we need your help. We are taking part in The Big PTA Raffle 2020, a nationwide PTA extravaganza, taking place between 20th October and 6th December 2020.

Purchase tickets and be in with the chance of winning up to £5,000 in each of 12 draws at www.bigptaraffle.co.uk. Each £3 ticket will generate a number that will be entered into all 12 draws.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased tickets so far, we have sold 100!!, generating £150 to our fundraising pot.

We are excited to be a part of The Big PTA Raffle 2020 and look forward to seeing if you are a winner!

Hodge-Podge Offer

Hodge Podge is an independent gift shop in Hethersett who have offered 10% of sales taken from our FOMPS' supporters to help our fundraising efforts. Offer is on until the end of November and there is free local delivery too!

Take a look at their website – they have some really lovely gifts which would make ideal Christmas presents.

Bag2School

The FOMPS have organised a Bag2School collection for any of your unwanted clothes / textiles. The collection will take place on Tuesday 8th December so if you are planning a clear-out (during the half term break perhaps) then pop any items in a bin bag (or two) and put them to one side until December. There is a poster at the end of this letter with further information.

Pine
Orla

Celebrations



Sycamore
Arthur

Rowan
Emma

Value Achievements	Pine	Oak	Sycamore	Rowan	Willow
Gold Book Award					
Reading Passports					
Reading Passport 4					
Going for Gold		Liam (bronze)			
Merit Badge	Charlie				
Bronze				Imogen	
Silver					
Gold					
Platinum					
COURAGE		Iris	Entire class!		
TRUTHFULNESS					
RESPONSIBILITY					
SERVICE					
TRUST					
SELF RESPECT					
FORGIVENESS					
GENEROSITY					
FRIENDSHIP					Chelsie
RESPECT					
KOINONIA					
JUSTICE				Harvey	
PERSEVERANCE		Isley			
HUMILITY					
KINDNESS					
HELPFULNESS					
WISDOM					

And Finally...

Heavenly Father,

Remind us to use our gifts, to serve one another, as good stewards of your varied grace.

Amen

Kind Regards

Additions:

- PTA Raffle poster
- Hodge Podge offer poster
- Diary Dates
- Bag2School poster



Parentkind

THE BIG PTA RAFFLE 2020

Bring a little sparkle and festive cheer this year!

WIN UP TO £5,000

£3 ticket enters you in all 12 draws

- ★ Help boost FOMPS's fundraising
- ★ Tickets cost just £3
- ★ 12 chances to win up to £5,000
- ★ Tickets are limited so once they're gone... they're gone!

12 chances to win

Help raise Funds

BUY TICKETS

Don't delay - tickets are limited

It is illegal for anyone under 16 years of age to purchase or sell raffle tickets. Anyone under 16 years of age who buys a ticket for the Big PTA Raffle 2020 will immediately forfeit the right to any prize. Closing date 7th Dec 2020. A raffle is a form of gambling. If you, or someone you know, needs information and/or help with a problem gambling, please call GamCare on 0845 6000 133 or visit www.gamcare.org.uk

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BAG 2 SCHOOL

FREE FUNDRAISING FOR

In partnership with your school or organisation



Morley Primary School



Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality secondhand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.

By using this paper leaflet we are helping to reduce unnecessary extra plastic. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit). The leaflet is FSC accredited, please recycle it.

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:

Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!

Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Please return your Bag2School on:

Tuesday 8th December 2020 - 9.00am



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 www.bag2school.com

 helpdesk@bag2school.com

Diary dates

Please note these are subject to change dependent on any Covid restrictions



AUTUMN TERM

Friday 4th December - Christingle Service

Tuesday 8th December - Bag2School Collection 9am

Tuesday 15th December - Christmas lunch

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY - Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January



SPRING TERM

Monday 4th January - Start of Spring Term

Friday 15th January - Sycamore Reading Café 9am

Wednesday 27th January - Rowan Class Reading Café 9am

Thursday 11th February - Willow Class Reading Café 9am

HALF TERM - Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February

Tuesday 23rd February - Pine Class Reading café 9am

Thursday 4th March - World Book Day

Friday 5th March - Parent Forum

Friday 26th March - Easter Service at Deopham Church

EASTER HOLIDAY - Monday 29th March - Friday 9th April



SUMMER TERM

Monday 12th April - Start of Summer Term

Friday 16th April - Oak Class Assembly

Wednesday 28st April - Friday 30th April - Eaton Vale residential for Yr 4

Thursday 22nd April - Willow Reading Café 9am

Monday 3rd May - Bank Holiday, School closed

Thursday 6th May - Sycamore Reading Café 9am

Week beginning 10th May - KS2 SATs week

Monday 17th May - Rowan Class Reading Café 9am

Thursday 20th May - Oak Class Reading Café 9am

Friday 21st May - Pine Class Assembly

Wednesday 26th May - Willow Class Assembly

HALF TERM - Monday 31st May - Friday 04th June

Monday 7th June - Sycamore Reading café 9am

Friday 18th June - Rowan class assembly

Monday 21st June - Friday 25th June - Year 6 Residential visit to Isle of Wight

Friday 25th June - Pine Class Reading Café 9am

Monday 28th June - Friday 2nd July - Sports Week

Friday 2nd July - Sports Day

Wednesday 14th July - Willow Class performance

Tuesday 20th July - Year 6 Leavers' Service

Wednesday 21st July - Last day of term