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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*

16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

### **Sports Day**

The slight drizzle could not dampen the children's spirits on Wednesday for Sports Day! Great fun was had by all and we are busy totting up scores and house points and recording the best times. All will be revealed to the children on Monday.

### **Moivaro School Tanzania**

The Year 5 children in Willow Class, had an amazing live link with the children in Moivaro School Tanzania yesterday. The children had prepared an excellent powerpoint about Morley School which they shared, and the children in Tanzania sang a song in English. The children asked each other questions and Mrs Hindle chatted to the children in Swahili too. All the children joined in an impromptu singing of Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star. This was really special. Thank you to everyone who made this happen - especially Mr and Mrs Hindle and hopefully we can continue to link with Moivaro next year. You can find out more about Moivaro School on the following website

<https://www.peopleempowered.org/>

### **Year 6 party Tuesday**

Year 6 children are invited to school in their own clothes on Tuesday for their leavers party on the field in the afternoon. If the children wish to bring their own snack/picnic to eat half way through the afternoon, they can, but we will provide a drink and small snack to everyone. Parents do NOT need to provide food for sharing,  
Thank you

### **Staff Changes for September:**

At the end of this term, Mrs Easter is stepping down from her Deputy Head post for the Federation in order to focus on her play therapist training. She will continue to work with us as class teacher for Pine Class at Morley on two days per week. As a senior teacher and designated safeguarding leader, she will also continue as a member of our leadership team. Mrs Easter has been an excellent Deputy Head and has led the way on innovative curriculum changes over the past five years. She has also been an important source of support for me in my role as Executive Head Teacher, providing a much needed shoulder to lean on. Her constant positivity and 'can do' approach is an inspiration for the whole team at Tacolneston and Morley. I'm sure everyone wishes her well with her future plans.

From September, I am very excited and pleased to be able to announce that Mrs Cooper will be taking up the role of Assistant Head Teacher for the Federation. Mrs Cooper taught at Morley before transferring to Tacolneston to teach Robins Class. Therefore, many of you will be familiar with her. She will continue to teach Robins Class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. On Thursdays and Fridays, she will have management time. Mrs Cooper's responsibilities will include curriculum, assessment and collective worship. She is also a designated safeguarding leader. She has boundless

energy and enthusiasm and is a dedicated professional and I know that our schools, in her hands, will continue to thrive and provide excellent teaching and learning for all.

We are all very sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Sleigh-Smith (LSA in Pine Class) and Mrs Hindle (LSA in Rowan Class).

Mrs Hindle and Mrs Sleigh-Smith, although only joining us this year, will also be sorely missed by everyone at Morley. They have both shown an outstanding level of professionalism, dedication and steadfastness during what has been an incredibly challenging year for us all.

Our staff team will be deployed as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	<b>Learning Support Assistant</b>
Pine	Mrs Kate Easter – Mon, Tues Mrs Laura Ketley – Weds, Thurs, Fri	Mrs Louise Motteram	Mr Michael Smith – Mon, Weds, Fri Miss Naomi Green – Tues, Thurs
Oak	Mr Darren Watson	Mrs Carmon Wellstead	Ms Daphne Whitaker Ms Kerry Elgood
Sycamore	Mr Greg East	Mrs Glynis Harrold	
Rowan	Mr Ben Clements	Miss Jasmine Card	Miss Naomi Green – Mon, Weds, Fri
Willow	Mrs Sally O'Dell	Mrs Tina Hurrell	Mrs Dawn Thacker

Mrs Ketley will continue to work as our SENDCo on Mondays and Tuesdays. Mr Smith will provide sports coaching at Morley on Tuesdays and at Tacolneston on Thursdays.

### **COVID Protocols from 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021:**

From Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021, the responsibility on which children are asked to isolate if a positive case is identified moves from the Headteacher to Public Health England.

### **COVID Protocols in September:**

As you will be aware, all COVID restrictions will be lifted from 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021. Therefore, our current plan is to return to normal functioning from September. However, we will continue to insist that children sanitise their hands at the beginning of each transition throughout the school day. Cleaning of surfaces will continue to take place twice per day and our classrooms will be as fully ventilated as possible. We will also welcome the continued wearing of face masks for anyone who feels that this will provide a level of protection for themselves or others but this will no longer be mandatory. What do we mean by 'normal functioning'? We will return to having whole school collective worship and assemblies. We will reintroduce whole school singing. We will have whole school lunch sittings, with groups of six to eight mixed-age children at each table. We find that in doing this, younger children are able to get to know older children and older children are able to help the younger children. In essence, we will return to being a cohesive family providing a nurturing and supportive school day for your children. The pandemic is evolving all the time, therefore these plans may have to change at the last minute. We will ensure that you have the most up-to-date information by sending a newsletter to you, at the end of August, prior to the start of the new term.

### **Leavers' Assembly Morley:**

The Leavers' Assembly will take place in the school hall on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 2pm. We look forward to welcoming the Y6 parents to this event. We ask that you please wear a face mask throughout the assembly.

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## **Reminders:**

### **Menu Change**

On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July (the last day of term) Mrs Peters will be providing the following menu:

Sausages or veggie sausages  
Chips  
Peas

Ice cream tub

The menu can be adapted for all dietary needs.

**There will be no jacket potato option on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

## **Safeguarding resources:**

### **Use of Social Media**

We recognise the dangers of children using social media apps and playing online games. It is becoming more and more difficult for parents/carers to fully understand what their children are able to access online and to ensure that what they are doing and looking at is age-appropriate. There are many very helpful sites where parents/carers can get information to help them navigate these issues:

- Think U Know (Parents Section) - [www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/)
  - Childnet (Parents Section) - [www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers](http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers)
  - Parentzone - <https://parentzone.org.uk/advice/parent-guides>
  - NSPCC (Share Aware) - [www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware/](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware/)
  - Vodafone (Digital Parenting) - <https://www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting>
  - Internet Matters - [www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org)
- Parent Safe - Keeping Children Safe Online: <https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/>



# Celebrations

Pine  
Jace

Sycamore  
Tawana  
Lily

Value Achievements	Pine	Oak	Sycamore	Rowan	Willow
Gold Book Award					
Reading Passports					
Going for Gold award		Nancy Liam (Platinum)			
KS1 Merit Badge		Ollie Isley Thomas W			
Bronze (KS2)					
Silver (KS2)					Chelsea
Gold (KS2)					Annabell Florentine George
Platinum (KS2)					Bethany W
COURAGE				Robbie	
TRUTHFULNESS					
RESPONSIBILITY					
SERVICE					
TRUST					
SELF RESPECT					
FORGIVENESS					
GENEROSITY					
FRIENDSHIP		Ella	Tawana		Whole Class!
RESPECT					
KOINONIA		Thomas H			
JUSTICE					
PERSEVERANCE	George Heidi Wade				
COMPASSION					
KINDNESS					

HELPFULNESS					
CREATIVITY					

**Out of school achievements:**

and finally...

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

Kind regards



Executive Headteacher

# **GUITAR LESSONS**

**PAUL FROST**

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Guitar lessons are available at the school for both new and existing students.

**I am also able to offer Ukulele lessons for beginners to intermediate players.**

Please contact the school, or myself direct for further details, and for booking lessons.

Free "taster" sessions are available for any children who would like to find out what the lessons involve.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Paul