



Morley Church of England Primary Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Smartwatches and Fitbits

We have noticed that several of our children have returned to school this term wearing Fitbits and smartwatches. Our school policy is that a watch may be worn, including one that includes fitness tracking. However, we STRICTLY do not permit watches that can be internet-enabled or have a built-in camera. Please ensure that your children do not bring these types of watches into school. If we find that a child has brought one into school they will be asked to leave the watch with our office and parents will be contacted to collect it from us.

Teacher Strikes

You may have heard that teachers have voted to strike in the coming weeks. The first strike day will be Wednesday 1st February with further planned strike days on the 15th and 16th of March. However, currently, the teachers at Morley are not choosing to strike.

School Day

Just a reminder of the school timetable and some processes to follow.

School gates open at **8.30am**, your child should be in school for registration at **8.40am**. If your child arrives after this time they will be recorded as late and this will affect their attendance figures.

If your child is unable to come to school because they are ill we ask that you notify the school as soon as possible, preferably by 8.45am. Some illnesses, such as stomach upsets or infectious conditions require children to stay at home for more than one day in which case we would not expect you to call but would appreciate an update on day 3. If we do not hear from you, we are required to call you.

Parent Consultations

We are returning to face to face parent consultation meetings which I am sure will be welcomed by parents. These will take place in the school hall on Wednesday 22nd February from 1.30pm to 6.30pm with a couple of exceptions. Rowan Class appointments will be available from 1.10pm to 3.50pm on Wednesday 22nd February and from 1.10pm to 3.50pm on Friday 24th February. Sycamore Class appointments will be available from 1.10pm to 3.30pm on Tuesday 21st February and from 1.10pm to 3.30pm on Wednesday 22nd February. If you are unable to attend, you will need to speak to the class teacher to organise an appointment at another time.

There will be appointment sheets available in the school office foyer from **Wednesday 25th January** for you to book your consultation time.

Morley C of E Primary Academy

Diocese of Norwich St Benet's Multi Academy Trust

Registered office: Diocesan House, 109 Dereham Road, Easton, Norfolk NR9 5ES

Registered in England & Wales Company Reg. No: 11276240

Tel: 01603 550147 Web: stbenets.org Chief Executive Officer: Mr Richard Cranmer



After-school sports club with Mr Smith – 22/02/23

As Parent Consultations will be taking place in the hall on the above date, Mr Smith will adapt the after school club on that day. It will either take place outside if the weather allows or in a classroom.

World Book Day 2023

March 2nd

Are you the king or queen of reading in your class?



As part of this year's World Book Day events, we are challenging you to become the reading king or queen in your class. To do this, you need to read as many books as you can in your ZPD and quiz on Accelerated Reader. If you are reading longer books, do not worry, as these will score higher points as they take longer to read.

Remember, you need to score 80% of questions right to pass the quiz so try to do this as soon as you have completed the book.

Winners will be announced on World Book Day (2nd March) We will also have our usual dress up day so get thinking about what book character you would like to be.

Watch this space for information on dress up days, family quizzes and other activities for you to enjoy.

PARENTS - All children should have their login to accelerated reader. Children can quiz on books they have read independently or with an adult or ones they enjoyed you reading to them. Most popular children's books are on Accelerated Reader and our school library has these clearly labelled with their ZPD range. Here are some useful links. Morley School AR site (login to complete an AR quiz) : <https://ukhosted35.renlearn.co.uk/6711781/>
AR book finder (This site tells you the ZPD of books and which books have AR quizzes: <https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/UserType.aspx?RedirectURL=%2fdefault.aspx>
Myon (Myon is an online library and almost all the books on this site have an AR quiz attached) <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/>
For more information on Accelerated Reader: [Parents guide to Accelerated Reader](#)

Reminders

Asthma Forms

We are required to keep records of those children who have asthma which need to be updated annually. This week we sent out forms for those children who we have registered as having asthma. If you did not receive a form, please contact the school office and we will provide you with a copy.

Mental Health Support Teams in Schools Survey

The Mental Health Support Teams in Schools (MHSTS) are an early intervention service that support children and young people, their families and schools and college communities with mild to moderate mental health difficulties. Each MHSTS is allocated to specific secondary schools/colleges and their feeder primary schools within Norfolk. The team work in education settings and in the wider education community, both in and out of term time, including school holidays. Families who have accessed this service in our schools so far, have had really positive outcomes and experiences.

MHSTS are keen to find out if there are any specific areas of support required by parents and carers so that they can target specific needs within our school community. Please take just two minutes to complete the short survey using the link below.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RL9KBVB>

Vacancies

We currently have two vacancies in school:
Midday Supervisor Assistant 12 noon – 1.30 Monday to Friday
Cleaner – two hours daily Monday to Friday

Please contact the school office for further details



Celebrations



Willow
Jacob

Value Achievements	Pine	Oak	Sycamore	Rowan	Willow
Star Readers					
Reading Passport					
Going for Gold Award					
Merit Badge					
Bronze					
Silver					
Gold					
Platinum					
EFFORT					
HELPFULNESS					
COURAGE					
SERVICE			Hermione	Ella	
SELF RESPECT					
RESPONSIBILITY					
FORGIVENESS					
GENEROSITY					
FRIENDSHIP	Benjamin				Aiden
RESPECT		Freddie			
KOINONIA			Hermione		
COMPASSION					
PERSEVERANCE					
HUMILITY					
KINDNESS					
CREATIVITY					
BRAVERY					
JUSTICE					
TRUST					

Out of school achievements:

Congratulation to Evie in Willow who just passed her first LAMDA (London Academy for Music & Dramatic Arts) exam with distinction for singing. Fantastic news Evie - well done!

House Points

Blickling	Felbrigg	Holkham	Oxburgh
404	365	396	492

And finally...

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace
Amen

Best wishes




Laura Green

Newsletter additions:


- Links support group information
- Beetle Drive poster
- Half term activities information
- Diary Dates

Do you have a child or children with SEN or behavioural needs? Do you need support and advice from someone who has been through the same things? Do you just need someone to chat to? Take a look at the attached flyer to find out more!



If you have any questions or queries, email Micha Butler:
psa@robertkett.net


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Support**



Come join us for a chat, a listening ear, to share your expertise and to connect with other parents.

Parent and Carer Support Group

Join us on Friday the 27th of January at Robert Kett Primary School from 9:30-11:30am. We will be joined by a speaker from Dyslexia Outreach.





BEEETLE DRIVE

SATURDAY 28th JANUARY

6.30 pm

At Gralix Hall, Deopham

Adults £3

Primary Age Children £1

Refreshments or bring your own

TOMBOLA (donations welcomed)

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

In Aid of Deopham Church Security system

(contact 07826 498212)



Half term activities



Kids Camp South Norfolk



Half Term fun 13 February - 17 February

Time: 8.30am to 5pm

Full and half day options (8.30am to 5pm, 8.30am to 12:45pm or 12:45pm to 5pm)

Cost: £27 per child per day (half day £18 per child per day)

Ages: 5 - 15 year olds

For more information and to book, visit reception at Wymondham Leisure Centre, Long Stratton leisure Centre or search online for "Kids Camp South Norfolk"

Extra Time! Holiday Club



Open February Half Term

(Monday 13th– Friday 17th February 2023)

7.30am to 6.00pm

Book online at

<https://extratime.schoolsbuddy.net>

Other time options are available - Pricing starts at £16
(Not open weekends or bank holidays)

Lots of fun activities: Scooters, Go carts, Trim Trail, Roller Skating, synthetic ice skating, snow tubing, Sports, Forest school, Arts and Crafts and much more.

Food and Snacks provided onsite by Kett's Kitchen



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Diary Dates

Spring Term



January



13/02/23 – 17/02/23 HALF TERM

21/02/23 – Sycamore Parent Consultations

22/02/23 – Parent Consultations (all classes)

23/02/23 – Rowan Class Assembly – 9.15am

24/02/23 – Rowan Class parent Consultations



02/03/23 – Pine Class Learning Café – 9am

02/03/23 – KS2 Girls' Football Event (rescheduled)

13/03/23 – Oliver Twist Theatre performance pm

17/03/23 – Pine Class Bedtime Story 6-7pm

22/03/23 - Sycamore Class Assembly – 9.15am

31/03/23 – End of Spring term

31/03/23 - End of term disco - KS1 6-7,KS2 7.15-8.15

Summer Term

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17/04/23 – Inset day – school closed to pupils
18/04/23 – School starts
26/04/23 – Bag2School Collection



01/05/23 – Bank Holiday – school closed
04/05/23 – Pine Class Assembly 9.15am
08/05/23 – Coronation Bank Holiday – school closed
09 - 12/05/23 – KS2 SATs tests

29/05/23 – 02/06/23 – HALF TERM



05/06/23 – School starts
12-16/06/23 Residential visit to Isle of Wight, Y6
22/06/23 – Oak Class Assembly



03/07/23 – Wymondham High Academy Transition Day
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05/07/23 – Wymondham High Academy Transition Day
07/07/23 – Wymondham College Transition Day
08/07/23 – Wymondham College Transition Day
17-19/07/23 – Horstead trip for Y4
21/07/23 – End of School Year 3.15pm
21/07/23 – End of term disco - KS1 6-7,KS2 7.15-8.15
Year 6 Leavers only 8.15 – 9.15