



## Morley Church of England Primary Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

### Message from Mr Carlyle

It very much feels like the end of term is upon us and the school is incredibly busy at the moment. Carols, plays and performances have helped to create a special atmosphere and I am very grateful to everyone for their hard work.

Next week you will receive the progress report for the autumn term. This is a snapshot across a range of subjects and learning areas and I hope that you find this useful and informative. It should complement the conversations from parents evening and will give a sense of next steps to take us into the spring.

This week, I would like to take the opportunity to make a special mention. In Autumn 2021, Martha (now in Willow) asked if she could sell some of her books that she no longer read to raise funds for the school. It was agreed this was a lovely idea and Bobbitt's Books was born! Most Thursday afternoons, come rain or shine, Martha and her mum Alison set up their stall at the end of the school day with the stock ever-increasing as families kindly donated their own pre-loved books.

Martha has decided that after two years, she is hanging up her bookseller hat. During the last two years, Martha has raised an incredible £467.00 for the school! Some of this went towards our defibrillator fund, some supported the Willow Class trip to Thorpe Woodland Activity Centre in the summer term and the rest has been donated to the FOMPS to boost the funds they use to provide those additional resources for the children.

We are immensely proud of Martha (and her mum) for the commitment, time and effort given to this fundraising venture. Thank you Martha – you are an absolute star and a real credit to the school and its values.

Finally, I'm very much looking forward to my last full week in the school: it is a fantastic place to work and I have really enjoyed experiencing this wonderful time of the year with the children and staff.

Have a lovely weekend

Mark Carlyle

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# Christmas News & Dates

## Great Morley Bake-off

What a wonderful array of cakes, biscuits and muffins we had the pleasure of judging on Monday. It was such a hard decision but we had to choose a winner from each class. The winners were:

Pine: Ben

Oak: Oscar

Sycamore: Benjamin & Josie (joint winners)

Rowan: Maiya (and Fleur)

Willow: Anna

The overall school winner was Maiya and Fleur

Well done to all the children who took part; every child who entered will receive a gift with special prizes going to each class winner. Prizes will be given at our celebration assembly on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December (there will be no celebration assembly next week due to the carol service).



## Christmas Carol Service – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Our end of term service will be in the form of a Christmas Carol Concert. It will take place in the School Hall at 9am on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

We looking forward to seeing you!

## Pine and Oak Class Nativity

The children in Pine and Oak Classes will be delighting you with their nativity performance on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 9.00am. Parents and Grandparents are very welcome.



## Christmas jumper day



On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December (Christmas lunch day), children are invited to come to school in festive jumpers. The jumper should be worn with school uniform – it is not a dress-down day. There will be no 'fine' to pay (even for the cheesiest jumpers!)

## Christmas Lunch

We shall be serving Christmas Lunch to the children on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. We would love all the children to have a Christmas lunch but if you know your child definitely **won't** want one, please notify the school office as soon as possible for ordering purposes. This year, the menu will be:



Roast Chicken, Cocktail Sausage & Stuffing or Quorn Fillet,  
Veggie Sausage & Stuffing (V)

with

Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Peas, Carrots and Gravy

Pudding is a festive Cup Cake

The cost is the usual price of £2.30 payable on the SchoolMoney portal. There is no cost to those who usually receive free school meals. The meal will be adjusted for any child who is registered with dietary needs. Please note there will be no other menu option on this day.

On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, the Kitchen will be cooking Christmas Lunch for Tacolneston School. Due to the oven space required for this, Mrs Peters needs to change to advertised menu for our lunch to the following:

Chicken and Tomato Pasta

Or Vegetarian Pasta Bolognese

Mixed Salad

Fruit Yoghurt

**Jacket potatoes will not be available on either 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup> December**

### **Jewellery reminder**

For safety reasons, children must not wear any jewellery during PE lessons. This includes earrings. Unless there is a genuine reason to keep earrings in, please remove them on PE days. Thank you.

### **Carol Service (Authentic Church)**

Authentic Church are a Church Group that use our hall every Sunday for their weekly service. They are holding a Carol Service on Christmas Eve in the school hall at 6.30 and warmly welcome any families wishing to attend.

### **Friends of Morley School – FOMPS**

Events to look out for:

- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Whole school trip to The Hippodrome
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – End of term disco

Thank you from the FOMPS team



### **Reminders**

#### **Vacancy**

We have a vacancy for a midday supervisor. This is a great opportunity to get a 'foot in the door' in terms of working in schools and I hope that it is something that may be of interest.

We are looking for someone to work Monday to Friday 12pm-1.30pm (7.5 hours per week), £10.60 per hour. For an informal chat please speak to a member of the office team.

Pine Class  
Thalia

# Celebrations



Oak Class  
Eva

Sycamore Class  
Jack  
Ella

Value Achievements	Pine	Oak	Sycamore	Rowan	Willow
Star Readers					
Reading Badges					Martha D Justin
Going for Gold Award					
Merit Badge		Henry			
Bronze					
Silver					
Gold					
Platinum					
EFFORT					
HELPFULNESS					
COURAGE					
SERVICE					
INDEPENDENCE					
RESPONSIBILITY		Noah			
FORGIVENESS					
GENEROSITY					
FRIENDSHIP	Walter				
RESPECT					
KOINONIA					
COMPASSION					
PERSEVERANCE			Eloisa		Willow M
HUMILITY					
KINDNESS				Hermione	
CREATIVITY					
BRAVERY					
JUSTICE					
TRUST					
DETERMINATION			Eloisa		

## Out of school achievements:

Congratulations to Ella in Rowan for achieving a medal in running, Athina in Oak for her swimming certificate and Layla-Noelle in Oak for her gymnastics award. Well done to you all!

## House Points

Blickling	Felbrigg	Holkham	Oxburgh
356	342	291	385

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

Amen

Additions:

- Family Carol Service – Morley Methodist Chapel
- Attleborough Christmas Tree Festival poster
- MultiGen Service poster
- Carol Service poster
- Diary dates





## Second Annual Christmas Tree Festival

1<sup>st</sup> Attleborough Scout Hall,  
Station Road, Attleborough, NR17 2AS  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 1pm

Vote for your favourite tree

Tasty treats

Fun FREE Craft

SANTA

A few slots still available £7.00







# MultiGen SERVICE

A fun, interactive service  
suitable for the whole family!



SUNDAY DECEMBER 10TH

10.30AM  
MORLEY PRIMARY ACADEMY

[www.authentic-church.org.uk](http://www.authentic-church.org.uk)



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# CAROL SERVICE

Sunday 24th December  
6.30pm

at Morley Primary School  
NR18 9TS





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## Diary Dates

### Autumn Term



- 11/12/23 – Panathlon for some KS2 children
- 12/12/23 – Pine & Oak Class Nativity 9am
- 13/12/23 – Christmas Jumper Day(with school uniform please!)
- 13/12/23 – Christmas lunch
- 14/12/23 – School trip to The Hippodrome
- 15/12/23 – Carol Concert/end of term service – school hall 9am
- 15/12/23 – End of term disco (KS1 6-7pm, KS2 7.15-8.15pm)
- 20/12/23 – Last day of term

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## Spring Term



### January

04/01/24 – Children return to school  
18/01/24 – Maths parent Workshop – Pine Class 8.50am  
26/01/24 – Willow Class Reading Cafe



06/02/24 – Safer Internet Day  
07/02/24 – Sycamore Reading Café 9am

### **19/02/24 – 23/02/24 HALF TERM**

w/c 26/02/24 – Parent Consultations



05/03/24 – Parent Writing Workshop – Pine 8.50am  
07/03/24 – World Book Day  
27/03/24 – End of Spring term 3.15pm

# Summer Term



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15/04/24 – School starts



**06/05/24 – Bank Holiday – School closed**

w/c 13/05/24 – Year 6 SATs week

**27/05/24 – 31/06/24 – HALF TERM**



03/06/24 – School starts

04/06/24 – Attleborough Academy Passport day

18/06/24 – Attleborough Academy Transition Day



01-05/07/24 – Year 6 residential visit to Isle of Wight

12/07/24 – Attleborough Academy Transition Day

15-17/07/24 – Year 4 residential trip to Horstead

19/07/24 - End of School Year 3.15pm