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Dear Parents/Carers,

Message from Mr Phoenix

Today I have been pleased to welcome our team of school Governors into Morley for a full day of whole-school review. Together we visited lessons in all the classes, reviewed work in children's books, met with children and committees and spoke with staff. This identified many strengths of the school, including the high quality of writing at length across the curriculum, children's ability to evaluate and reflect on their learning and the ethos and values of the school being reflected in high standards of behaviour and care for others.

We also identified areas we will be focusing attention on going forward. One of these is the value we have seen children place on practical hands-on experiences, and the evidence of this making learning meaningful, relevant and memorable. We will be looking at ways to develop more active learning in coming weeks to enrich the children's learning experience across the Morley curriculum.

A great example of learning through first-hand activities is the Easter Experience all children took part in on Tuesday this week. The Raise Kidswork team literally took over the school with exciting immersive experiences to enable the children to understand and explore the different parts of the Easter story. Thinking about concepts such as sharing through a 'last supper' experience, and who we can stand up for in a 'Gethsemane' garden, really made the Easter story relevant to the children's own lives as well as being memorable.

Thank you again for your support for World Book Day last week - there was a fantastic array of book-related costumes and the children had a great day sharing enthusiasm for books and authors. Photos from World Book Day are now on the school website 'Latest news' page, so do have a look!

Have a great weekend everyone,

Mr Phoenix

Choir success at Norwich Cathedral

A huge well done to all pupils in the School Choir who took part in the Spring Celebration at Norwich Cathedral on Wednesday. The children had been rehearsing in school before coming together with over 300 pupils to perform a variety of Spring inspired songs in the wonderful setting of Norwich Cathedral.

The pupils represented the school so well and it was a delight to see their enthusiasm throughout the rehearsal and performance. Having only one joint rehearsal, (on the day!) before singing in front of hundreds is incredibly daunting and especially in such an enormous building.

I was so proud of each and every one of them and the performance itself was absolutely fantastic.

Choir are always looking for new recruits and it is open to pupils from all year groups. Please see Miss Grant if you would like any further information.

Thank you Lorna Grant

Epilepsy Action Purple Day 2024

On Thursday 21st March, we will be supporting Epilepsy Action by wearing purple and making a donation to this amazing charity which supports those living with epilepsy. You may be aware that we have a child here at Morley who has epilepsy so we are delighted to have the opportunity to support this charity. We invite children to wear purple to school on the day to raise some money. There is no suggested amount to donate, whatever you feel you can spare. Your donations will be collected in the morning and we look forward to seeing a sea of purple next Thursday! Thank you for your support.

Easter Service - 26/03/24

We warmly invite all children and their families to join us for this lovely service. If your child usually arrives at school on the bus, we will arrange for the bus to drop the children at the Church but we would ask that you make arrangements with another parent to bring your child back to school after the service. Likewise, if you are unable to stay for the service, please make arrangements for your child to come back to school with another parent. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Egg Hunt 27/03/24



Even though the Easter Service has been moved to 26/03/24, we shall still be holding our annual Easter egg hunt during the morning on the last day of term. For our new parents, this involves all the children running around the school field hunting for chocolate eggs and returning them to the staff (not their pockets!!) in order to be counted and handed out at the end of the school day.

We would therefore we grateful for donations of small chocolate eggs for the hunt.

In the past we have received the smallish hollow eggs, these are not ideal as they get broken when being collected and we would need guite a few in order for all the children to receive one. Also, with the eggs being on the field, they must be foiled wrapped. Therefore, could we please ask for the nets / bags of the small, solid, foil wrapped eggs.

In addition, we are a nut free school and cannot use eggs with nuts (praline) or alcohol in them - they will make their way to the staffroom!

There is a box in the reception area by the office for the eggs. Thank you.

Design a poster

The School Council have come up with a lovely poster idea called WISH. This stands for: **W**alking feet

Indoor voices

Show kindness

Have respect

These are aspects that, when followed by children, contribute to a happy and calm school environment.

School Council would like to put up posters around the school to remind everyone to 'WISH'. With this in mind, we want to throw out the challenge to any child who would like to design a poster which reflects/illustrates the aims of WISH. Please bring your design to the school office before the closing date of Friday March 22nd. School Council will pick their favourite(s) and house points will be awarded to any child whose poster makes it up on the wall!

Dress Down Day

The School Council are holding a dress down day on Wednesday 27th March to raise some funds for a bench and some new toys. A 'fine' of £1 is payable from each child in non-uniform which will be collected by members of the school council in the morning.

Change of menu – Wednesday 27th March

The lunch menu for the last day of term will be:

Fish fingers or Vegetarian goujons Chips Peas

Easter cupcake

For those children with an allergen menu:

Plant based Sausages or goujons Chips Peas

Allergy friendly Easter cupcake

Jacket potatoes will **not** be available

Parent & Child Free County Lines Webinar

We recently sent out information about a County Lines Webinar from Norfolk Police. There is another opportunity to find out more about County Lines.

Due to popular demand we are now inviting you to join us for another session, so we can share the important message with your child. The session is free, fun and interactive whilst still delivering the important information we shared previously. This session will take place on 19th March 2024. Please follow the link below to secure your place

Parents & Child under 12 years old session:-

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/county-lines-free-parent-child-webinar-under-12s-tickets-863218859847

Norfolk Steps

There are two informative sessions available to attend in April (please see poster below). If you would like to attend these sessions, please can you can you sign up at the school office so we have an idea of numbers. Thank you.









FOMPS NEWS

Friends of Morley Primary School (FOMPS) are a group of parents and staff working together to fundraise much needed money to support extra resources for our students. Please take a look at the events organised which we would like you to support:

15/03/24 - Tuck shop / uniform sale 3.15pm

22/03/24 - Children's disco KS1 6-7pm

22/03/24 - Children's disco KS2 7.15 - 8.15pm

25/03/24 - Great Morley Easter Bake-Off cake challenge

25/03/24 - FOMPS Bake sale 3.15pm



27/04/24 - Table top sale 11am-1pm

24/05/24 - Tuck shop / uniform sale 3.15pm

27/05/24 - Bingo afternoon 2-4pm

15/06/24 - Summer Fayre - 12-3pm

06/07/24 - Adult Quiz Night (time TBC)





Celebrations

Oak Joe



Rowan Charlie

Value Achievements	Pine	Oak	Sycamore	Rowan	Willow
PERSEVERANCE			Molly		Ella-Rose
FRIENDSHIP			Molly		
SERVICE				Lucy	
RESPONSIBILITY		Henry			
RESPECT	Bill				
Going for Gold	Alba				

Gold cards



Congratulations to the following children who earned gold cards this week: Martha B and Iris in Willow Athina, Oscar & Sienna in Oak Tavonga & Theo in Pine

House points:

Blickling	Felbrigg	Holkham	Oxburgh
696	600	623	741

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

Amen

Newsletter additions:

- Star Throwers Coffee Morning & Easter Egg Hunt poster
- Playground Proms poster
- Big Norfolk Holiday Fun
- 1st Attleborough Scouts Pokémon event poster
- Diary dates



Spring Coffee Morning & Easter Egg Hunt

MARCH 23 • 10 AM - 1 PM at the Star Throwers Centre, 30 Melton Road, Wymondham

Join us for a very special Easter celebration!

There will be a raffle, tombola, stalls, refreshments, the Treasure Trove shop will be open and this year there will be an egg-hunting activity organised by the Wymondham Rotary Satellite Group.

> To donate a raffle/tombola prize or baked goods please contact: victoria@starthrowers.org.uk























Spring into action-packed activities!

Join us from 2-12 April

- Fantastic sport, creative and outdoor activities with a free healthy meal
- FREE for all children eligible for benefits-related free school meals
- The funding from the Department of Education enables us to run our four-year Big Norfolk Holiday programme. Share with us your memorable experiences of the scheme so far, send your stories to bnhf@norfolk.gov.uk

We want activities to be inclusive. To ensure the right support is in place, please notify the activity provider if your child has special educational needs or a disability.





Choose your activities today! Visit www.everymove.uk





NOT Holiday Fun

Here's what some and carers parents had to say They are literally a lifeline...
Our child's needs are complex,
and we are very grateful that
there is a reliable service offered
which means she can feel
safe and thrive.

"It was a real help for me knowing that my child would be looked after and fed. Thank you."

"Big Narfolk Holiday Fun has really helped the children build their confidence especially around other kids." "My child had a great time and wanted to come back again, he made new friends and even ate his pitta lunch that he'd made."

"It provided a much needed break for 2 young carers letting them have fun and enjoy themselves."

Not sure if your child is eligible for benefits-related free school meals? Scan the QR code to learn more.

www.norfolk.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals



1st Attleborough (St. Mary's) Scout Group are excited to be bringing a Pokémon event to the local community for children, families and enthusiasts alike.

Fundraising for the group is fundamental in making sure we can continue offering activities to the children and subsidising costs, especially in the current cost of living crisis

Alongside this, we are fundraising towards building a new Scout Hall. Sadly, our current wooden one is coming towards the end of its life and will need replacing in the not-so-distant future.

Please do share this far and wide and please do come down and support our fundraising event.



More details can be found on our event page -

https://facebook.com/events/s/pokemon-card-show/929974515499213/

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Diary Dates

Spring Term

Termly Value P E R S E V E R A N C

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21/03/24 - Wear Purple for Epilepsy Action

22/03/24 - Easter Disco KS1 6-7pm, KS2 7.15-8.15pm

25/03/25 - Great Morley Easter Bake-off

25/03/24 - FOMPS Bake Sale 3.15pm

26/03/24 - Easter Service at Deopham Church 9am

27/03/24 - Dress Down Day - £1 'fine'

27/03/24 – Easter Egg hunt 9am

27/03/24 - End of Spring term 3.15pm

Summer Term



Termly Value

FRIENDSHIP



15/04/24 - School starts 25/04/24 - Bee Netball event UEA Sportspark 27/04/24 - Table top sale 11am -1pm



02/05/24 - KS1 Cricket festival

04/05/24 - Bingo afternoon 2-4pm

06/05/24 - Bank Holiday - School closed

w/c 13/05/24 - Year 6 SATs week

24/05/24 - Tuck shop / uniform sale 3.15pm

27/05/24 - 31/06/24 - HALF TERM



03/06/24 - School starts

04/06/24 - Y5/6 Dynamo cricket event

04/06/24 – Attleborough Academy Passport day

15/06/24 - FOMPS Summer Fayre 12-3pm

18/06/24 – Attleborough Academy Transition Day 21&22/06/24 – Morley Festival 2024



01-05/07/24 - Residential visit to Isle of Wight 06/07/24 - Adult Quiz night 12/07/24 - Attleborough Academy Transition Day 12/07/24 - Tuck shop / uniform sale 3.15pm 15-17/07/24 - Year 4 residential trip to Horstead 19/07/24 - End of School Year 3.15pm 19/07/24 - End of year disco