



Morton Primary School newsletter

November 2019

Term dates:

Friday 29th November is an INSET Day and school will be closed to pupils

Friday 20th December
School closes for the Christmas Holidays

Monday 6th January 2020
School re-opens

The remaining holiday dates for the rest of the school year are included with this newsletter

Remaining INSET days for this academic year

Friday 29th November

Monday 1st June

Monday 20th July

Tuesday 21st July

Children in Need Friday 15th November

Wear your spots £1 donation
Bring 50p if you want to decorate a biscuit
Small change to fill a picture of Pudsey

Important contacts:

Headteacher: Mr Kevin Flint
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Chair of Governors:
Mr Sam Watson
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Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mr Kevin Flint

Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Jo Ward
Class 3 teacher

School Office
Mrs Jane Radford
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Other dates for your diary for this term.

Tuesday 12th November

Class 4 performance of William Shakespeare's – Hamlet at the Palace Theatre, Mansfield.

Wednesday 20th November

Photographer in school for individual and family photographs. If you have younger siblings that you wish to include please bring them into school for 9am.

Friday 6th December

Christmas Fair in School 2.30 – 5pm – further details to follow

Tuesday 10th December

Nativity performance (further details to follow)

Wednesday 11th December

Christmas Dinner provided by the School meals service. Christmas Jumper day! Order form for pupils who usually have sandwiches from home to follow in next week.

Friday 13th December

Book Swap in school - please bring books in and give to Mrs Bramley for Thursday 10th November.

Thursday 19th December

Whole school visit to the Palace Theatre, Mansfield – to see Cinderella (details to follow this week)

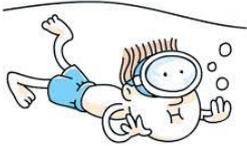
CHRISTMAS PARTY

Class 1 – Tuesday 17th Dec

Class 2 – Monday 16th Dec

Class 3 – Tuesday 17th Dec

Class 4 – Wednesday 18th Dec



Swimming dates this term for Class 4

Friday 15th November

Friday 22nd November

Friday 6th December

PTA update:

The PTA held a meeting in school on Friday to set the date for the Christmas Fair. This will now go ahead on Friday 6th December – 2.30 – 5pm.

We will send further details home soon.

So far this academic year the PTA have held the school disco which raised £103 towards school funds.

The PTA welcomes new members. Would you be willing to help? If you are unable to help do you have any fundraising ideas that we could use at the Christmas Fair or other events that they organise?

Please contact either Mrs Bradley, Mr Flint or Mrs Radford.

The next PTA meeting is arranged for Tuesday 19th November at 7pm in the Sitwell Arms.

School Uniform

We currently have 2 uniform suppliers

School Trends – you can order from this supplier through school and currently it is taking up to 3 weeks or more for uniform to arrive.

And

Your School Uniform – you can order online and have items delivered to home for a small delivery charge or directly to school.

Their web address is: www.yourschooluniform.com

Attendance and Punctuality

To give your children the best possible chance of achieving their best they must be punctual to school and attend everywhere possible.

If children do not attend school regularly they will

- Experience difficulty in their learning;
- Miss out on a variety of fun activities;
- Not be fully prepared for Key Stage One;
- Find it difficult to maintain their friendship groups.

Attendance Matters - IT IS ONLY A FEW DAYS!

We recognise that there will be occasional times when children will be too ill to attend school; however, children do build up resilience and resistance to illness and should be able to attend school the majority of the time.

An attendance rate of 90% or over sounds impressive over the year; however, it actually means that your child only attends school 4.5 days out of every 5 days. If this continues up to Year 11 in secondary school, your child will have missed more than half a school year!

The government and Ofsted recognise the importance of good attendance and views outstanding attendance to be 98% or over; as a school community we are committed to working in partnership with you to ensure outstanding attendance for all.

Forest School

Could you donate any old warm waterproof clothing that we could keep in school and use when children take part in forest school activities?

Aldi – Kits for schools

We have now completed 2 full charts in the Aldi Kits for school's campaign. We will receive some free sports kit and are now in the draw to win £20,000. Thank you to everyone who sent in their stickers.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you for attending our recent MacMillan BIG coffee morning. You helped us raise just over £200. Also a big thanks to Mrs Bradley and Mrs Bramley for organising and to everyone who donated.