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Dear Parents / Carers and Children,

I have had a thoroughly enjoyable time visiting all classes in Key Stage 2 with Mr Miller this week, to watch your children developing their writing skills. We were both delighted by the obvious effort and enthusiasm shown by your children. We were also struck by the care and skill that their teachers had put into planning lessons to engage and inspire all of your children to be successful writers.

We have a veritable mountain of lost property in school. I am sure that you would like to be re-united with your child's belongings and we certainly need the space. To enable this to happen, we will be displaying all lost property in Queens Hall next Wednesday 2nd February from 3:20 until 3:40pm. After this we will dispose of any unclaimed items.

We are also ecstatic to finally have a nine day works schedule with a variety of companies to transform the ICT provision for your children. This has been a logistical nightmare for Mr Miller, though from the first day back after half term we should be at the forefront of ICT provision within the county. We are all terribly excited about this prospect and cannot wait to see the children's reactions and enjoy the quality of lessons and learning as a result.

Kind regards

Sue Dutt

U11 Basketball Competition

Morgans were able to enter two teams for the School Sports Partnership U11 (Year 5/6) Basketball 8-a-side competition which was played at Wodson Park. With four boys and four girls in each team, it was a highly competitive event in which 6 other schools were taking part from the Hertford/Ware area.

Morgans X and Morgans Y were fired up to compete with any that stood before them. The tension was in the air even as the coaching session took place prior to the games beginning. Appropriately warmed up, the teams took their places on the court and the battle commenced.

On show were some fine ball handling skills coupled with the sublime dribbling skills of the master dribblers, Dom Anderson and Dan Tarry. With the added competitiveness of Erin Carter and Lorna Bensted, there was a feeling that both teams would be successful.

Morgans Y were able to beat all competitors in their group games and progress to the final. With all holding their breath to hear for the next finalist, Morgans X were to find that they only failed to reach the final playoff due to scoring less points than St John the Baptist school. Morgans X were therefore placed in the runner up final.

With the tension building and adrenalin pumping, the teams once again took to the courts. Morgans X, led confidently and expertly by Abdul, took command of their game and managed to get two quick baskets. Morgans Y found themselves in a titanic battle that would eventually only be separated by one basket. With end to end attacks and defences holding strong it looked as though there would be no winner. St John's broke forward and an accurate long shot proved to be our undoing. Morgans Y battled hard in the little time they had left and came agonizingly close on a number of occasions to levelling the score. Time eventually ran out on Morgans Y and the final was lost. However, as with all Morgans teams, they were winners in defeat with the excellent attitude they showed after the game by shaking hands and congratulating St John's. Morgans X went on to win their runners up final 4-2 and again were outstanding in their attitude towards the team they defeated. Another proud day for Morgans and all the children who took part should take pride in the part they played in an excellent day. Mr Moore

Morgans X: Alex Washbourne, Abdul Wurie, Finnlay Jones-Wood, Deray Emery, Pia Eversley, Kitty Voss, Millie Scrutton and Erin Carter.

Morgans Y: Isaiah Corallini, Dan Tarry, Dominic Anderson, William Stradling, Alice Crawford, Jasmine Mitchell, Olivia Scrutton and Lorna Bensted.

See the next page for photos of the teams ...

Please Note...

If in Key Stage 2, please can you ensure your child is aware if they are not permitted to be in a photograph for the school website. Thank you.



Basketballers...



The Morgans Globe Trotters



Microscopic Marvels



For the past three weeks Year Six have been lucky enough to have a Richard Hale Science teacher come into school to help us learn more about micro-organisms. We did lots of fun activities such as, we were given an agar jelly coated petri dish to grow microbes in. We chose four surfaces; one had to be your finger and then we had to rub onto the four sections of jelly. When we got them back lots of bacteria, fungus and viruses were present. The week after we investigated the conditions needed for microbes to grow on bread. This was everyone's favourite. Finally we looked at yeast and how it gives off gas as it respire. Miss Phillips did a lot of things with us that we couldn't have normally done in school. Overall it was a great experience for everyone and we all thoroughly enjoyed it! Thank you to her for her time.





Happy (Celtic) Campers



Year 4 had a super day at Celtic Camp with the children being split into clans and having to earn gold coins by completing as many tasks as possible, until the Chief blew his horn to signal time up. Mrs Voss manned the obstacle course, while Mr Scarisbrick took charge of the hunting practice game. Ms Bull, Mrs Catt, Mrs Culverhouse, Miss Goehringer, Mrs Monaghan, Miss Green, Mr Sadler and our link governor, Mr Cinnamon, all also accompanied the children and were a great asset throughout the day. Thank you to them for their help.

Clare Holt from the camp will be visiting Year 4 shortly to assess how the day went. In their evaluations yesterday almost none of the children found there was an activity they disliked; although archery proved to be a bit tricky as the rushing flight-feathers could scratch! We feel sure the Celts were a hardier bunch!

Here is a report written by Jade and Nathan in 4AS and a number of the hardy Celts in action...

OLYMPICS – CELTIC STYLE!!!

IT WAS A FANTASTIC DAY AT THE FIRST EVER CELTIC HARMONY CAMP OLYMPICS. ALL THE MORGANS CHILDREN THAT WERE THERE REALLY ENJOYED ALL OF THE ACTIVITIES. THE MOST POPULAR GAMES WERE ARCHERY AND OBSTACLE COURSE. THE LEAST FAVOURITE ACTIVITY WAS THE STEPPING STONE SACK RACE. THE OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDING THROWING DISCUS, JAVELIN AND SHOT PUTT; TARGET HUNTING PRACTICE AND FINALLY RELAY RACES.

ALL OF US WERE SPLIT INTO TEAMS OF TEN. POINTS WERE GIVEN TO EVERY TEAM DEPENDING ON HOW QUICKLY THEY FINISHED EACH EVENT. WHEN ALL OF THE EVENTS HAD BEEN FINISHED THE POINTS WERE ADDED UP, THE 'BEAR' TEAM WON! WELL DONE BEAR TEAM. WE ALL AGREE THAT OTHER SCHOOLS WOULD ENJOY GOING. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE AT CELTIC HARMONY CAMP FOR A WONDERFUL DAY. FROM YEAR 4 MORGANS SCHOOL.

Nathan and Jade of the Snake Clan!!!

