



Morgans Mail



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Dear Parents / Carers and Children,

The end of a short half term and only seven more weeks left! Please check the school website and 'Diary Dates' to note the highlights of the remaining weeks. The FOMs met on Tuesday night and I am told the Morgans Mile and Summer Fete events should prove epic and are set to be run to their usual high standard. We continue to appreciate their efforts and the many benefits that they bring to the school.

The Morgans Mile is a wonderful annual event that we all enjoy and look forward to. This year, because we have already had a major sponsored event in "Team Super School" we totally understand if you would like your children to take part just for fun. There is no pressure for you to gather sponsors, although you may feel inclined to make a one off contribution. We leave the decision to you.

On Tuesday the staff spent some time creating website content and so towards the end of the half term the website should be more up to date and representative of the quality of our school. It will also feature the full range of clubs available for your children and the details of days and times. I really do value the effort that the staff put into providing these enriching experiences for your children, when they already work so hard.

Having spoken to colleagues, Year 6 are having a great time on the Isle of Wight and we look forward to their safe return on Friday. Talking of returns...thank you to those of you who have returned your questionnaires, I have found it an interesting and encouraging experience despite a small minority of people who seem to have misunderstood the purpose. To date Mr Miller is 40 questionnaires short of his free slap-up curry and is already browsing through the menu! I hope the Year 5 questionnaire inquisitors have not press-ganged you too much! The most important purpose for gathering this information is to celebrate what we do well and to improve where we need to. More detail has been given later on this page.

I wish you all well and hope you have a super half term holiday whatever it may involve. Please remember that the children are due back on Tuesday 2nd June, since the Monday will be a staff Inset day.

Kind regards *Sue Dutt*

Morgans Magnificents

Last week Year 5 proved wizard wonders and cast a spell which scintillated the rest of the school... Their Harry Potter wizards were designed using the drawing functions within Word on the school laptops. They also showed off their artistic and historical skills canvassed on their Tudor monarch portraits. Top effort Year 5 - well done!



No We Can't Issue A Weekly Questionnaire!!!

You obviously had far too much fun! Many thanks to all parents who have returned their questionnaires so far and in doing so contributed to the further improvement of Morgans. To read through the 160 questionnaires presently returned has proved really interesting and has provided some valuable feedback and themes on which to work. In the main part these were largely positive and we were delighted to have it confirmed that 148 out of 160 of you read this weekly mailing! Thank you in particular to those parents who have clearly put a good deal of thought into their responses, and offered measured and constructive suggestion. Rest assured that, after careful analysis and discussion with the senior leadership team, staff and governors, the themes will be prioritised and used to guide further school improvement.

A couple of early action points will be that all trips for the next academic year will be outlined in the September termly letter, along with a rough idea as to their cost. This will allow families to make informed decisions and financially plan accordingly. The staff will soon be reviewing the current trips and considering the implications for next year in these difficult times. Also pictures of the governors will feature in the new entrance porch and their roles clarified, so you know who they are and what they do for the school. They may well end up featuring here!

To those of you who have not yet returned your views, there is still time to be represented. We urge you to use this forum to make your opinion known.

Many thanks Sue Dutt and Paul Miller



Club-Tastic Opportunities!!!



Here are the current range of clubs available to Morgan's pupils - soon be displayed on the school website. Unlike many schools who use external sports coaches, these opportunities are currently free, since the staff are so giving of their time. Thank you to those of you who pointed this out on the questionnaire and thanked them specifically. For those of you who are unsure of the full range of clubs...

Club/Activity	Year Group/(s)	When?	Time
Chess	3, 4, 5 and 6	Autumn and Spring Term	Wednesday lunchtime
		Tournament in Spring Term	Each lunchtime
Gardening	6	Throughout the year	Lunchtimes
Science	4	Wednesday	3:20-4:00
Football	5 and 6	Autumn and Spring Term Monday training Thursday matches	3:20-4:15
Girls Football	5 and 6	Autumn and Spring Term Day tbc	3:20-4:15
Netball	5 and 6	Autumn and Spring Term Monday training Thursday matches	3:20-4:15
Tag Rugby	5 and 6	Autumn and Spring Term Wednesday	3:20-4:15
Kwik Cricket	5 and 6	Summer Term Wednesday	3:20-4:15
Choir	4, 5 and 6	Throughout the year	Tuesday and Thursday lunchtime
Recorder Club	5 and 6	Throughout the year	Lunchtimes
Singing Club	2 and 3	Throughout the year	Tuesday lunchtime
Art Club	2	Throughout the year	Thursday lunchtime
Art Club	3	Throughout the year	Monday lunchtime
Cross Country	5 and 6	Summer Term until race	Each lunchtime
Dance and Drama Club	4 and 5	September 09	tbc
Rounders	5 and 6	Monday club Thursday matches	3:20-4:15
Woodwork Club	5 and 6	Throughout the year	Friday lunchtime



We Still Need Your



Questionnaire!!!

“You’re not doing **too** badly...40 more and we’ll leave you in **slightly** more peace! After a week, everybody expects us and we won’t stop!!!”

We Don't Want Your Money.....

Just The Shirt Off Your Back!!!

In an attempt to raise money for the school fund account, we have arranged a free collection of recycled clothes and the good news is that we will be paid **45p per kilo** for it. In the week following half term, each child will be given a special sack and we would be extremely grateful if you could fill it with clean old clothes. The clothes don't have to be in good condition just the sort of thing you might donate to a jumble sale. The collection will take place on Monday 29th June, so if you are having a clear out over the holiday, please hang on to any unwanted clothes, shoes, bags and bedding. Unfortunately, we are not able to take donations before 29th June as we do not have the space to store them.

Year 1 should have an exciting start to the final half term. Their trip to Bekonscot Model Village in Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire on Wednesday 3rd June will no doubt prove memorable. They depart at 9.15am and return for 3.15pm. We will try to make sure some pictures of their exploits feature here.