

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our talented Year 6 pupils wowed audiences with their hilarious and heartfelt production, **"I'm an 11-Year-Old... Get Me Out of Here!"** A witty take on reality TV, the performance explored the ups and downs of primary school life, SATs pressure, and embarrassing parents - all with plenty of laughs and catchy songs!

What truly made the production special was the amazing teamwork on display. Every child had a part to play, whether on stage or behind the scenes. From confident solo performances to expertly timed comic moments and well-rehearsed choreography, the show was a wonderful celebration of collaboration, creativity, and the incredible spirit of our Year 6 cohort. Huge thanks to all the staff involved and to families for your support and encouragement and for raising money for Herts Young Homeless from programme donations.

Our Gardening Club had the honour of representing the school during the Hertford in Bloom judging this week. Mrs Noonan and Mrs Foster showcased the grounds with the children and they were very impressed with their knowledge of plant names and the produce they had already harvested. Thank you to all children for watering their planters during this especially hot weather and keeping the flowers blooming. Results are on 21 July so fingers crossed!

Transition Day yesterday was filled with excitement, discovery, and a few nervous giggles as children got a taste of what's to come next year. Year 6 spent the day at their new secondary schools while the rest of our pupils enjoyed meeting their new teachers and exploring their new classrooms. The buzz around the school was brilliant, and we are so proud of how well everyone adapted to the change.

## Reminders

- Please come to school in sports uniform with House Colour T Shirt
- Bring a water bottle and sunhat each day and apply sun cream

Helen Melidoro  
Head Teacher



## Dates for your Diary

14/07 Sports Day

15 & 17/07 Nursery Transition Day

15/07 Year 6 Water fun and Pizza

21/07 Year 6 leavers Assembly

22/07 End of Term - **1:15pm**

23/07 Inset Day

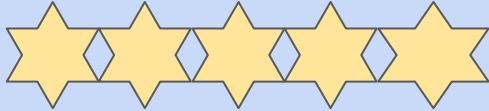
## Learning power of the week





## Stars of the Week

The following children were nominated by the MSAs for good manners and joined Mr Collin this week on the Star Table.



Reception- Lyra

Year 1 -

Year 2 -

Year 3 - Jude & Hunter

Year 4 - Frank & Lishaaly

Year 5 - Rebecca & Henry

Year 6 - Jasper and Lusio



## Attendance

Attendance Registration	Present R/C: Marks
Nursery Oak	%
Reception	93%
Year 1	95.17%
Year 2	98.25%
Year 3	96.32%
Year 4	97.38%
Year 5	89.43%
Year 6	96.67%

Well done to Year 2 for winning Attendance Alpaca and Year 4 Punctuality Piglet



## Celebration Awards



The following children received a Celebration Certificates for showing exceptional learning:



Reception -

Year 1 - Scarlett



Year 2 -

Year 3 - Charlie & Isla



Year 4 - William, Skyler & Jaxson

Year 5 - Fern & Casper

Year 6 - All of Yr 6

Headteacher: Sophia Y1



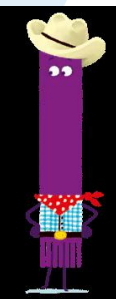
## GUESS THE BOOK...

*In Peter Pan by J.M. Barrie, what is the name of the land where Peter and the Lost Boys live?*

- a. Narnia
- b. Neverland
- c. Lilliput

*Last Guess the book - The Book Quiz*

*Answer:*  
c. A fox





# Dinner Menu



## WEEK 3

**STEP 1** Choose from...

### Main

### Vegetarian

### Combo

**STEP 2** ...and to finish!

Bread and Salad will be available at Lunch Times

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Main</b>	<b>Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza</b> to go with Mixed Pasta, Sweetcorn	<b>Sticky Chicken</b> to go with Mixed Rice, Sweetcorn	<b>Roast Gammon</b> to go with Mixed Veg, Roast Potatoes, Gravy	<b>Sausage</b> to go with Carrots, Mashed potato	<b>Cod in Batter</b> to go with Chips, Peas
<b>Vegetarian</b>	<b>Vegetarian Bolognese</b> to go with Baked Beans, Mixed Pasta	<b>Courgette &amp; Feta Cheese Frittata</b> to go with Mixed Rice, Side Salad	<b>Cauliflower Cheese Pie</b> to go with Broccoli	<b>Roasted Veg Lasagne</b> to go with Side Salad	<b>Cheese &amp; Tomato Pinwheels</b> to go with Baked Beans, Chips
<b>Combo</b>	<b>Wrap</b> to go with Salad Sticks with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Pasta</b> with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce	<b>Jacket Potato</b> to go with Side Salad with choice of fillings <small>Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese &amp; Beans</small>	<b>Jacket Potato</b> with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese & Beans	<b>Wrap</b> with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham
	<b>Apple Sponge</b>	<b>Wrap</b> to go with Mixed Rice with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Wrap</b> with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Wrap</b> with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Ham, Tuna	
	<b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly</b>	<b>Cherry Muffins</b>	<b>Oaty Fruit Crunch</b>	<b>Lemon Cheesecake</b>	<b>Choc Ice</b>
		<b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly</b>	<b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly</b>	<b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly</b>	<b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Cheese and Biscuits</b>

Please speak to a member of the Catering Team or view [relishschoolfood.co.uk](http://relishschoolfood.co.uk) for Allergen Information

Please discuss your child's meal choice and ensure your child knows their meal choice each day. We are unable to swap for an alternative once the children are in the dining hall

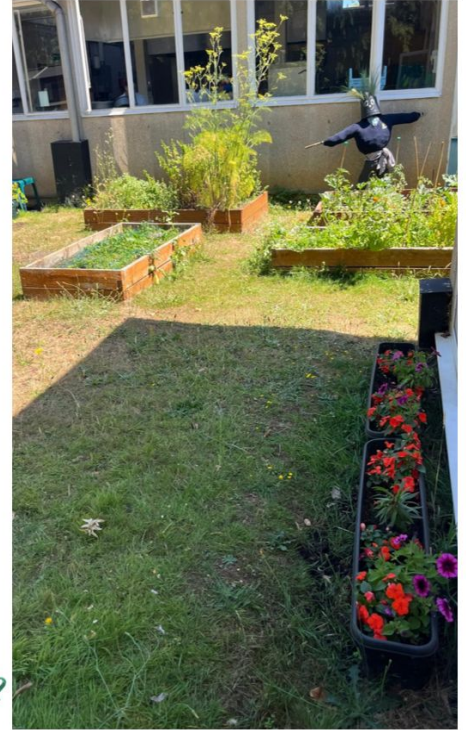
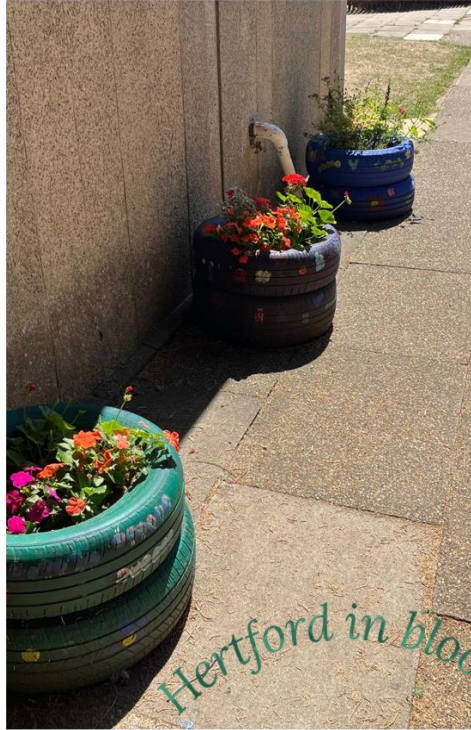


# Nursery: Scarecrow



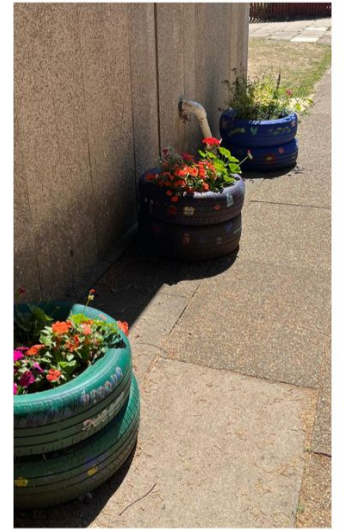


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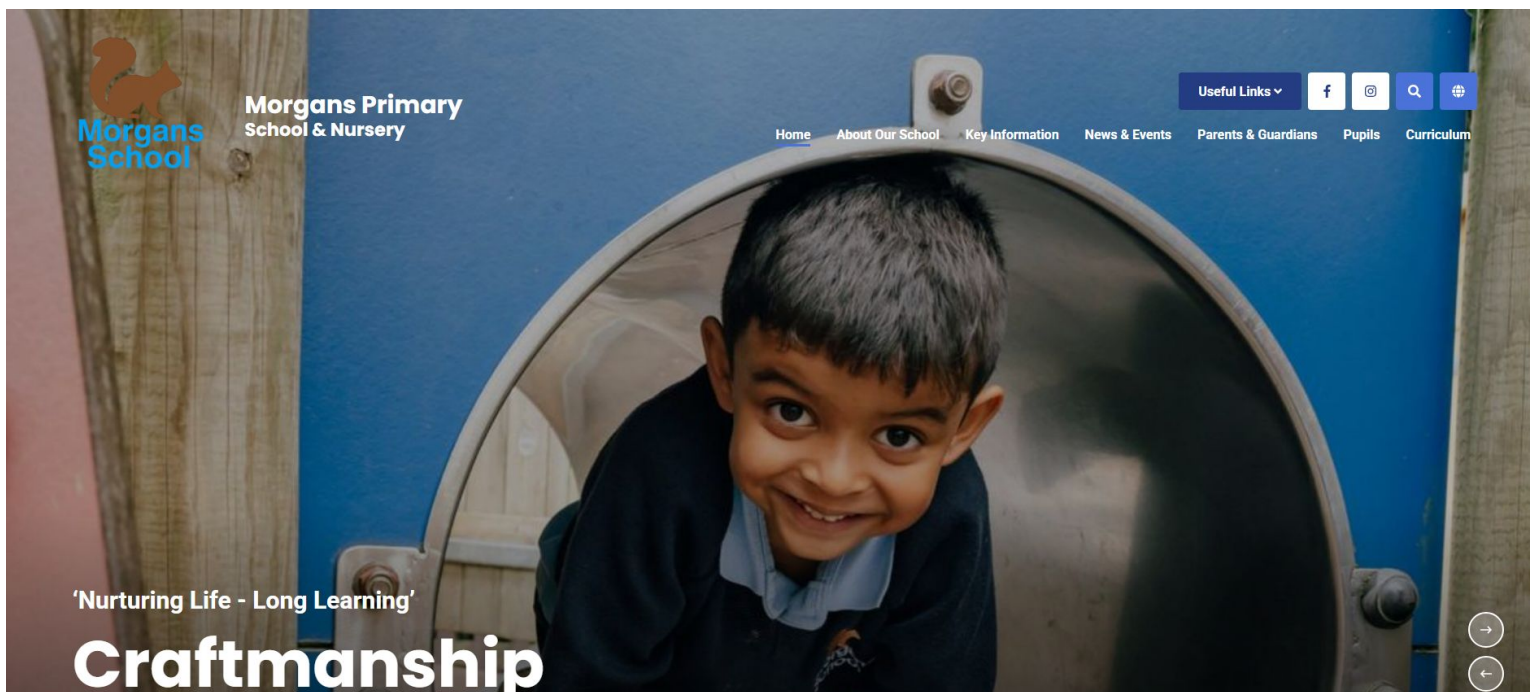
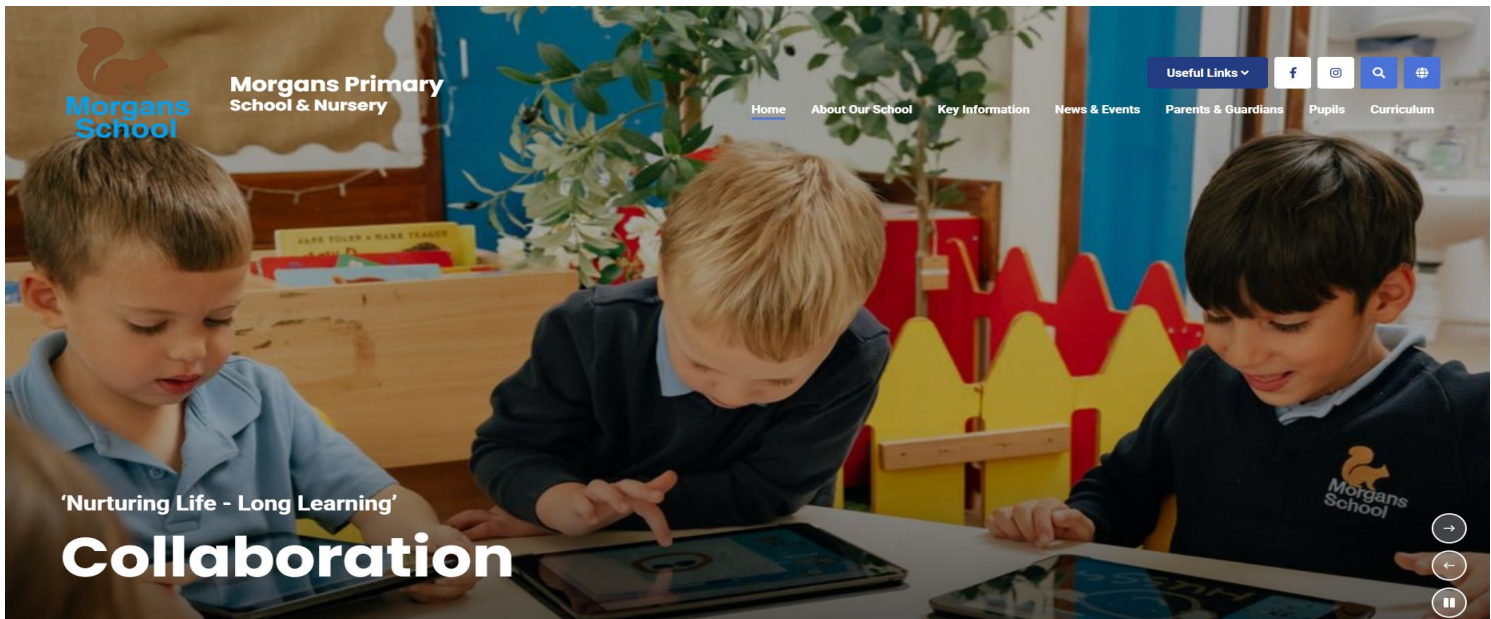


# New Morgans Website



New website is now live, it is better to carry out a hard refresh on your laptop/ chromebook (CTRL + F5/ CMD, SHIFT + R) when first visiting the URL so that you get the best first impression of the brand new design

## [MORGANS WEBSITE](#)





# Reading Book: Donations



## Quick reminder: Reading book donations

As we celebrate an incredible milestone, 75 years of Morgans School, we are excited to honour our past while looking towards the future. One of the ways we plan to do this is by growing our recently improved school library, The Squirrels Drey, with books that inspire curiosity, creativity, and a lifelong love of reading. We have created a Book Wishlist to mark this special anniversary and we invite our families and alumni to take part in this meaningful initiative.

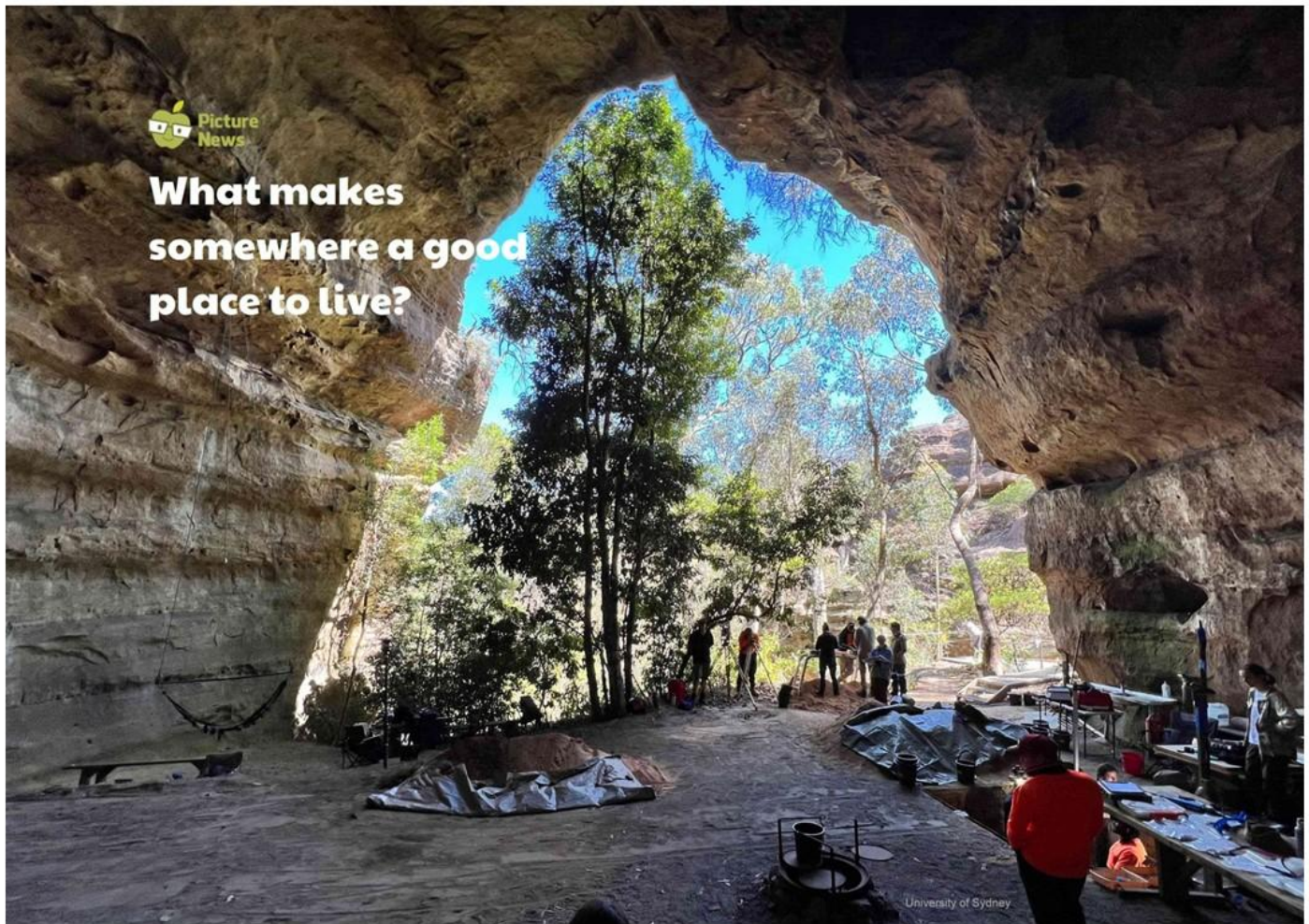
### How you can help:

- Visit our 75th Anniversary Book Wishlist <https://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/wishlists/9d8c872cb9c9dd02afb45dc3220856f1>
- Choose a book (or books!) to donate
- If you would like to dedicate the book for a specific reason such as from a specific child or reason, please do so within the delivery method section. Details can be found here -> Delivery Method - Add a message for the school you are gifting the books to (optional)

Your generosity will not only enrich our library, but also help us create a lasting legacy within The Squirrel's Drey.

Thank you for being part of this incredible journey with us. Here's to 75 more years of nurturing life-long learning.

# Picture News Update



## Let's look at this week's story



Scientists in Australia have discovered that human beings lived in high mountain caves nearly 20,000 years ago. They found tools, burnt wood, and other artefacts deep inside the caves of Australia's Blue Mountains, showing that people once cooked and lived there. The discovery is one of the earliest records of people living within this mountain range. The caves were likely a safe and useful place to shelter during cold winters in the mountains.



Learn more about this week's story [here](#).  
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).  
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).



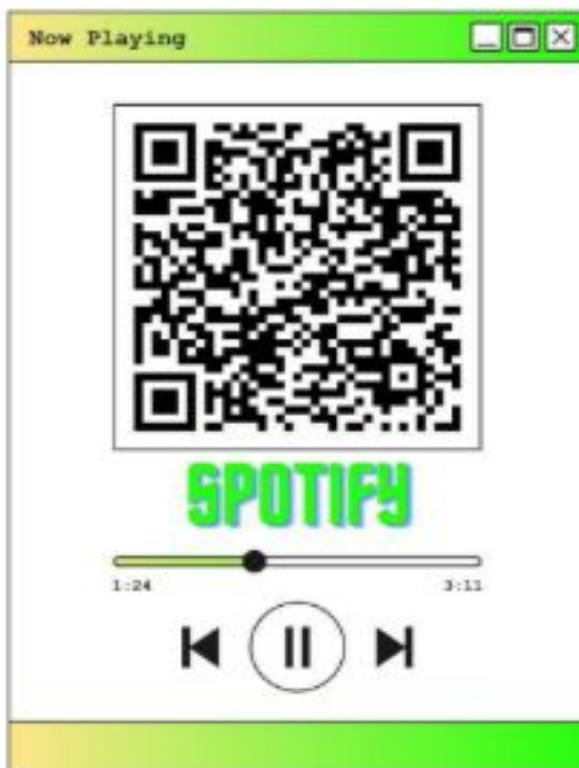


## HOME INFORMATION



### July's Musician of the Month

# GURINDER KAUR KAINTH



Source: 2019 <https://www.britannica.com/entry/gurinder-kaur-kainth> Photo: S.M. Cavot/CC BY-ND/3.0

**About:** Gurinder Kaur Kainth (born 4 December 1980), popularly known by her stage name Miss Pooja is an Indian singer and actress who primarily sings Punjabi songs in Bhangra, Pop and Folk genres. She has a master's degree in music and worked as a teacher before embarking on her singing career. She is regarded as reviving Punjabi duet songs and has released over 350 albums and recorded over 2,000 songs with more than 70 male singers, winning many awards. Her music spans many genres and she tours internationally.

**Genres:** Bhangra, Pop, Folk, Religious, Hip Hop and Dance

**Active from:** 2000 - Present

**Origin:** Rajpura, Punjab, India

Books to read...



If you like Gurinder Kaur Kainth, try...

- Jubin Nautiyal
- Sunidhi Chauhan
- Lata Mangeshkar

# House Points Results: 11/07/2025

1st



183

2nd



176

3rd



108

4th



85



# Attendance Matters

<b>100%</b>	<b>0 Days</b>	<b>0 Lessons Missed</b>
<b>99%</b>	<b>1 Day</b>	<b>5 Lessons Missed</b>
<b>98%</b>	<b>3 Days</b>	<b>15 Lessons Missed</b>
<b>97%</b>	<b>1 Week</b>	<b>25 Lessons Missed</b>
<b>96%</b>	<b>1.5 Weeks</b>	<b>35 Lessons Missed</b>
<b>94%</b>	<b>2 Weeks</b>	<b>50 Lessons Missed</b>
<b>93%</b>	<b>2.5 Weeks</b>	<b>65 Lessons Missed</b>
<b>92%</b>	<b>3 Weeks</b>	<b>75 Lessons Missed</b>
<b>90%</b>	<b>3.5 Weeks</b>	<b>90 Lessons Missed</b>

## Attendance Matters

*Here every day*

*Here on time*

**Getting your child to school really matters. Did you know...**

If your child's attendance during the school year...

was 95%  
was 90%  
was 85%  
was 80%  
was 75%

Your child would have lost approximately...

9 Days from School  
19 Days from School  
29 Days from School  
38 Days from School  
48 Days from School

Or they would have missed approximately...

50 Lessons  
100 Lessons  
150 Lessons  
200 Lessons  
250 Lessons



*Attendance Alpaca*

*Punctuality Piglet*

**Getting your child to school really matters. Did you know...**

If in a school year, your child is late every day by...

5 Minutes  
10 Minutes  
15 Minutes  
20 Minutes  
25 Minutes

Your child would have lost approximately...

3.5 Days from School  
7 Days from School  
10 Days from School  
14.5 Days from School  
22 Days from School

Or they would have missed approximately...

20 Lessons  
41 Lessons  
55 Lessons  
82 Lessons  
123 Lessons

*The year group with the best weekly punctuality and attendance will have the privilege of having 'Attendance Alpaca' or 'Punctuality Piglet' in their classrooms for a week. How exciting!*

Uniform is an important part of a school's identity. It reinforces who we are as a community and helps allow pupils to feel pride in their school. It also helps prepare pupils for life after primary school where many will have to dress smartly for their next stage of their education and then latter on in their work.

It would be fair to say that, in the last week we have a number of interpretations of what is and is not acceptable uniform and we believe it is time to clarify our expectations for pupils and parents.

The following items are part of our **essential** school uniform:

Navy blue v-necked jumper/sweatshirt or cardigan. Hoodies are not permitted

Light blue polo shirt

Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress

Light blue, round neck PE t-shirt

Plain navy blue PE shorts (not cycling shorts)

PE trainers (velcro unless pupil can tie laces)

Black school shoes - **trainers, boots, sandals or shoes with heels are not permitted**

Black/grey/white socks or tights (ankle or knee high not trainer socks)

## Optional school uniform

- Navy blue jumper/cardigan with school logo
- Light blue PE t-shirt with school logo
- Plain (not branded) navy blue joggers/tracksuit for PE during winter months
- Light blue gingham summer dresses during summer term (until Autumn half term)

There are no restrictions on the colour of school coats

School bags/rucksacks should be large enough to carry school equipment e.g. reading book, pencil case, jotter, packed lunch and water bottle

Jewellery is not permitted unless it is worn for religious reasons. Pupils with pierced ears may wear small stud earrings only. Earrings must be removed for PE/sports activities

Smartwatches/Fitbits are not permitted

Long hair (shoulder length or longer) must be tied back at all times

Small hair accessories must be navy blue, black or brown

Nail varnish is not permitted.

Haircuts should be appropriate for school

Thank you for your support and understanding.

## 2024-2025 & 2025-2026

### Autumn Term 2024

**Tuesday 3rd September – Friday 20th December 2024 (1.15pm finish)**

Inset Day 1: Monday 2nd September 2024

Inset Day 2: Friday 25th October 2024

**Half-Term: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024**

Inset Day 3: Friday 22nd November 2024

**Christmas Holidays: Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January 2025**

### Spring Term 2025

**Monday 6th January – Friday 4th April 2025 (1.15pm finish)**

**Half-Term: Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025**

Inset Day 4: Monday 24th February 2025

**Easter Holiday: Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April 2025**

### Summer Term 2025

**Tuesday 22nd April – Tuesday 22nd July 2025 (1.15pm finish)**

Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May 2025 (May Day)

Inset Day 5: Friday 23rd May 2025

**Half-Term: Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May 2025**

Occasional Day: Wednesday 23rd July 2025

### Autumn Term 2025

**Thursday 4th September – Friday 19th December 2025 (1.15pm finish)**

Inset Day 1: Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Inset Day 2: Friday 24th October 2025

**Half-Term: Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2025**

**Christmas Holidays: Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January 2026**

### Spring Term 2026

**Monday 5th January – Friday 27th March 2026 (1.15pm finish)**

**Half-Term: Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026**

Inset Day 3: Monday 23rd February 2026

**Easter Holiday: Monday 30th March – Monday 10th April 2026**

### Summer Term 2026

**Monday 13th April – Tuesday 21st July 2026 (1.15pm finish)**

Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May 2026 (May Day)

**Half-Term: Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2026**

Inset Day 4: Monday 1st June 2026

Inset Day 5: Wednesday 22nd July 2026

Occasional Day: Thursday 23rd July 2026

# Parking Reminder

A reminder about parking:

**Please remember not to park in the school car park at drop off or pick up from the Dell. The car park is open in the morning to allow ease of access for staff parking.**

Parking for any school is always an issue and our school is no exception. The Senior Leadership Team regularly monitors and reviews parking outside Morgans School. We would emphasise the importance of safe and courteous parking outside our school at drop off and collection times.

For many years at Morgans we have always had our main aim of keeping our children **safe**.

As adults, we are role models to all children and should always behave in a courteous and respectful manner to fellow drivers, pedestrians, neighbours, staff and visitors.

By following these points, you will be helping to ensure that drop off and collection times at Morgans are as safe as possible. We would like you to support us in this and ask that you observe the request so that we all do our utmost to keep everyone safe. We kindly ask you to approach the school using the following route and support us by following the important points below:

- If you access Morgans Road from Bullocks Lane, please follow the road round to the left into Highfield Road, then turn right into Queens Road which leads into Morgans Road, the school will be on your left.
- Walk to school whenever possible, including parking further from the school and walking the last part of the journey.
- Please obey all road signs on our school site, including the no entry signs on the car park gate at drop off and pick up times.
- Do not park, drop off or pick up across the yellow zig zag lines or areas for emergency access – this is illegal and dangerous.
- Do not park on the pavement or grass verges both on and off our school site.
- Do not block resident drives – help us to be **collaborative** with our neighbours and local residents.
- Do not park in the staff car park unless you are collecting a sick child.
- Do not park in the designated disabled bays unless you hold a valid disability parking permit.

**We thank you for your support and understanding.**

