



Morgans
School

MORGANS MAIL

Nurturing Life-Long Learning

19/09/2025

Dear Parents\Carers

As we settle into the rhythm of a new academic year, it's been heartening to see our school community reconnect and re-engage with such positivity. Classrooms are buzzing, routines are taking shape, and the playground is once again filled with laughter and energy. A special shout-out to our Year 6 pupils, who have stepped into their leadership roles with kindness and maturity. From helping our youngest children navigate their new surroundings to supporting Nursery and Reception at lunchtime.

This week we held the first School Council Meeting and we are excited to hear pupil voice begin shaping ideas and initiatives for the year ahead. Their enthusiasm for making our school even better is truly inspiring. Congratulations Felix (Y1), Max (Y2), Maddison and Matei (Y3), Gya and Alice (Y4), William and Zara (Y5) and Finbarr and Jonathan (Y6)

During my learning walk this week, I watched Reception demonstrate their Dough Disco skills. Birch and Spruce were all focus and smiles! This daily routine certainly supports concentration, fine motor skills (and fun!) in preparation for writing.

Next Friday 26th September 9 am FOMS are hosting our annual Macmillan Bake Off to raise funds for a cause close to many hearts. Please do come along to support and join FOMS in planning the year's events with the added bonus of cake!

As we prepare for our Harvest celebrations, we're collecting donations for the local food bank. Non-perishable items such as tinned goods, pasta, rice, and cereals are especially appreciated. Please send in any contributions by Thursday 2 October so we can share the generosity of our school community with those in need.

Thank you for your continued support and for helping us build a nurturing, joyful start to the year.

Have a lovely weekend.

Helen Melidoro
Headteacher



Dates for your Diary

26/10 FOMS Quiz Night
02/10 Harvest Festival @ All Saints
14/10 Parent Consultation
16/10 Parent Consultation
24/10 Inset Day
26/09 MacMillan Coffee Morning
Reception tour : 09:15 am

Wed 22/10/2025

Thur 23/10/2025

Wed 05/11/2025

Mon 10/11/2025

Fri 14/11/2025

Reception Tour 10:30 am

Mon 24/11/2025

Mon 01/12/2025

Tue 09/12/2025

Nursery Tour: 09:15 am

Thur 29/01/2026

Tue 03/02/2026

Thur 12/02/2026

Fri 28/02/2026

Mon 02/03/2026

Learning power of the week

☆☆

Craftsmanship Award

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I like to feel proud of my work



I practise the hard bits



I am reflective

I like to feel proud of my learning

I enjoy finishing things to a high standard

I improve on mistakes



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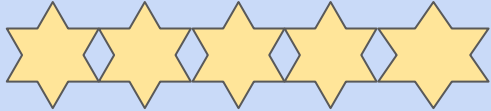






Stars of the Week

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



- Year 1 - George
- Year 2 - Otis
- Year 3 - Dua and Ada
- Year 4 - Laken and Xan
- Year 5 - Stanley and Cora
- Year 6 - Sienna P, Ellie



Celebration Awards

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

- Year 1 - Piper
 - Year 2 - Jasper
 - Year 3 - Matei and Archer
 - Year 4 - Zoe and Xan
 - Year 5 - Mario and Rowan Class
 - Year 6 - Inigo and Josh
- Headteacher: Riley, Y3

Attendance



Attendance Registration	Present R/C: Marks
Nursery Oak	
Reception	96.4%
Year 1	96.9%
Year 2	95.2%
Year 3	94.0%
Year 4	95.2%
Year 5	95.8%
Year 6	92.5%

Well done to Year 1 class for winning Attendance Alpaca and Year 3 Punctuality Piglet



Hall of Fame



Name: Mrs Matthews

Favourite Pop Artist: Coldplay

Last book you read: Girl on The Train

Favourite Meal: Curry

Favourite Film: A Few Good Men

Describe yourself in 5 words, with help from reception: Abracadabra, fun, happy, donuts and ice-cream.





Dinner Menu

		WEEK 1				
1 Choose from...		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main		Homemade Pizza to go with Pasta, Sweetcorn	Chicken Curry to go with Peas, Wholegrain Rice	Roast Chicken & Stuffing to go with Carrots, Gravy, Boiled Potatoes	Minced Beef Pasta Bake to go with Carrots	Fish Fingers to go with Chips, Peas
	Vegetarian	Vegetarian Bolognese to go with Baked Beans, Pasta	Cheese & Tomato Hash Brown Bake to go with Peas	Vegetarian Toad in the Hole to go with Carrots, Boiled Potatoes	Quorn & Vegetable Stir-fry to go with Sweetcorn	Southern Style Quorn Burger to go with Baked Beans, Chips
	Combo	Wrap to go with Side Salad with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	Pasta with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce	Wrap to go with Side Salad with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	Jacket Potato to go with Side Salad with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese & Dress	Wrap to go with Baked Beans, Chips with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham
		Raspberry Doughnut Traybake	Carrot Cake	Cherry Shortbread	Apple Pie to go with Custard	Strawberry Mousse and Vanilla Biscuit
		Fresh Fruit Pot, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Cheese and Biscuits

Please speak to a member of the Catering Team or view 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



Apply for school on time

Applying for a school place for September 2026

Secondary/Upper/Studio/University Technical
College Application deadline: Friday 31 October 2025

Primary (Reception)/Junior/Middle
Application deadline: Thursday 15 January 2026

Apply online at
www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions



Harvest Assembly: Foodbank



HARVEST APPEAL

Help local people facing hardship

- Tinned Meat & Fish
- Long Life Fruit Juice
- Tinned Potatoes
- Tinned Vegetables
- UHT Milk, Coffee & Tea
- Cooking Sauces
- Rice & Pasta
- Tinned Rice Pudding & Custard
- Shower Gel, Soap, Toothpaste

Support the Hertford, Ware &
District Foodbank by donating an
item or two. Thank you.





FOMS: Pre-Loved School Uniform



We're excited to announce that our Pre-loved School Uniform Shop is now live online!

You can now browse and order good-quality, gently used school uniforms from the comfort of your home. It's a great way to save money, reduce waste, and support our school community.

 What's available?

A wide range of pre-loved uniform items

Complete stationery sets (as per school requirements) for just £5!

 How it works:

Place your order online

Collect from the school office

 Collection slots available throughout the Summer

Need to exchange an item for a different size or style? No problem! Just email Zoe at friendsofmorgans@gmail.com and she'll be happy to help.

 <https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/friends-of-morgans-school>

Thank you for supporting this initiative – every order helps our school and the environment!

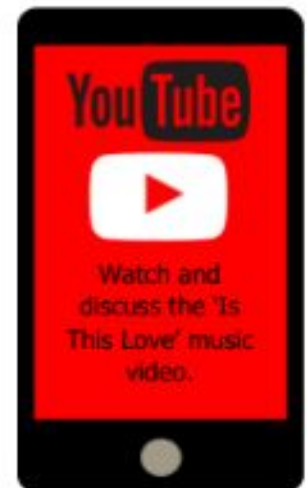


HOME INFORMATION



September's Musician of the Month

BOB MARLEY



Books to read...



About: Robert Nesta Marley was a Jamaican singer, musician, and songwriter. Considered one of the pioneers of reggae, Marley's contributions to music increased the visibility of Jamaican music worldwide, and made him a global figure in popular culture.

Genres: Reggae, Ska, Folk & Rocksteady

Active from: 1962 - 1980

Origin: Saint Ann Parish, Jamaica

If you like Bob Marley, try...

- The Specials
- Jimmy Cliff
- Sister Nancy

SEPTEMBER



Born : Jamaica, 1945

Died: U.S.A., 1981

Famous Song: Get Up, Stand Up

BOB MARLEY



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Attendance Matters

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

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.

Term Calendar for Parents

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

We reserve the right to change the above dates before the beginning of the academic year.

Autumn Term 2026

Wednesday 2nd September – Friday 18th December 2026 (1.15pm Finish)

Inset Day 1: Tuesday 1st September

Half-Term: Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2026

Inset Day 2: Monday 2nd November 2026

Christmas Holidays: Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January 2027

Spring Term 2027

Monday 4th January – Wednesday 24th March 2027 (1.15pm Finish)

Inset Day 3: Friday 12th February 2027

Half-Term: Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February 2027

Inset Day 4: Thursday 25th March 2027

Easter Holiday: Friday 26th March - Friday 9th April 2027

Summer Term 2027

Monday 12th April – Wednesday 21st July 2027 (1.15pm Finish)

Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May 2027

Inset Day 5: Friday 28th May 2027

Half-Term: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027

Occasional Day: Thursday 22nd July 2027

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.

