

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year 1 pupils enjoyed a delightful local walk this week, exploring the sights and sounds of our community. The children showed great curiosity and enthusiasm, spotting landmarks and learning more about their surroundings. It was a fantastic opportunity to connect classroom learning with the world around them.

Year 5 had an inspiring trip to the STEM Centre, where they engaged in hands-on experiments and interactive workshops. From coding challenges to science demonstrations, the children were buzzing with excitement and left with a deeper appreciation for the wonders of science, technology, engineering, and maths. The children were a credit to the school demonstrating collaboration and respect - well done!

Some of our KS1 pupils took part in a lively sports festival, celebrating teamwork, perseverance, and fun. Every child had the chance to shine, whether sprinting, jumping, or cheering on their friends. The atmosphere was full of energy and encouragement, and we are proud of the way our pupils supported one another throughout the event.

We are delighted to share that our decorations for the All Saints Church Christmas Tree Festival are now complete. The children worked together to create beautiful clay decorations to make a 7 or 5 (75) ornaments, showcasing the colours of our learning powers. Our school trees will be on display at the festival next week, adding a joyful touch to this much-loved community tradition.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Helen Melidoro  
Headteacher



## Dates for your Diary

26/11 Y4 Trip: Verulamium Museum  
04/12 Parent Council @ 9:15am  
05/12 Christmas Fair & Jumper Day  
09/12 Reception screening  
09&10/12 FOMS Wreath Workshop  
09/12 Y1&2 Nativity @ 2.15 pm  
10/12 Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day  
11/12 EYFS Christmas Songs  
11/12 Y1&2 Nativity @ 2.15 pm  
12/12 Christingle Service 2 pm  
16/12 Panto Day  
19/12 End of term

### 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

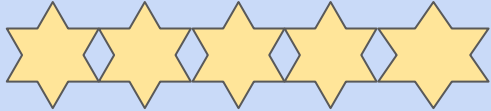
## Learning power of the week





## 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-

Year 1 - Mindy

Year 2 - Oakley

Year 3 - Maia & Florence

Year 4 - Alice & Lily

Year 5 - Oliver & Leo

Year 6 - Alice & Chethusi



## Celebration Awards



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



Year 1 - Rupert



Year 2 - Oliver

Year 3 - Harry & Reuben



Year 4 - Alby & Isla

Year 5 - Ben & Year 5

Year 6 - Ellis & Sienna P

Headteacher: Y4 Esther



## Attendance

Attendance Registration	Present R/C: Marks
Nursery Oak	%
Reception	97.79%
Year 1	90.67%
Year 2	96.00%
Year 3	96.22%
Year 4	96.44%
Year 5	95.78%
Year 6	96.86%

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



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# Dinner Menu

Relish!		WEEK 3				
STEP 1 Choose from...		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Main</b>		<b>Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza</b> to go with Baked Beans, Pasta	<b>Spiced Chicken Rice</b> to go with Broccoli, Homemade Potato Wedges	<b>Roast Chicken &amp; Yorkshire Pudding</b> to go with Carrots, Roast Potatoes	<b>Sausage</b> to go with Carrots, Mashed Potato	<b>Cod in Batter</b> to go with Chips, Peas
	<b>Vegetarian</b>	<b>Tomato Pasta</b> to go with Sweetcorn	<b>Roasted Vegetable Cheesy Stack</b> to go with Carrots, Mixed Rice	<b>Hunter's Quorn</b> to go with Carrots, Roast Potatoes	<b>Vegetarian Sausage</b> to go with Sweetcorn, Mashed Potato	<b>Cheese Panini</b> to go with Chips, Peas
	<b>Combo</b>	<b>Wrap</b> to go with Side Salad, Homemade Potato Wedges with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Jacket Potato</b> with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese & Beans	<b>Wrap</b> to go with Mashed Potato, Side Salad with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Pasta</b> to go with Side Salad with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce	<b>Wrap</b> to go with Chips, Side Salad with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham
	<b>Chocolate Shortbread Cookie</b>	<b>Wrap</b> with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Syrup Sponge</b>	<b>Fruity Chocolate Traybake</b>	<b>Wrap</b> with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Lemon Pancakes</b>
	<b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly</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, 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



# Year 3 Trip: Temple Watford



**Y3 Trip  
Bhaktivedanta Manor  
Hare Krishna  
Temple Watford**



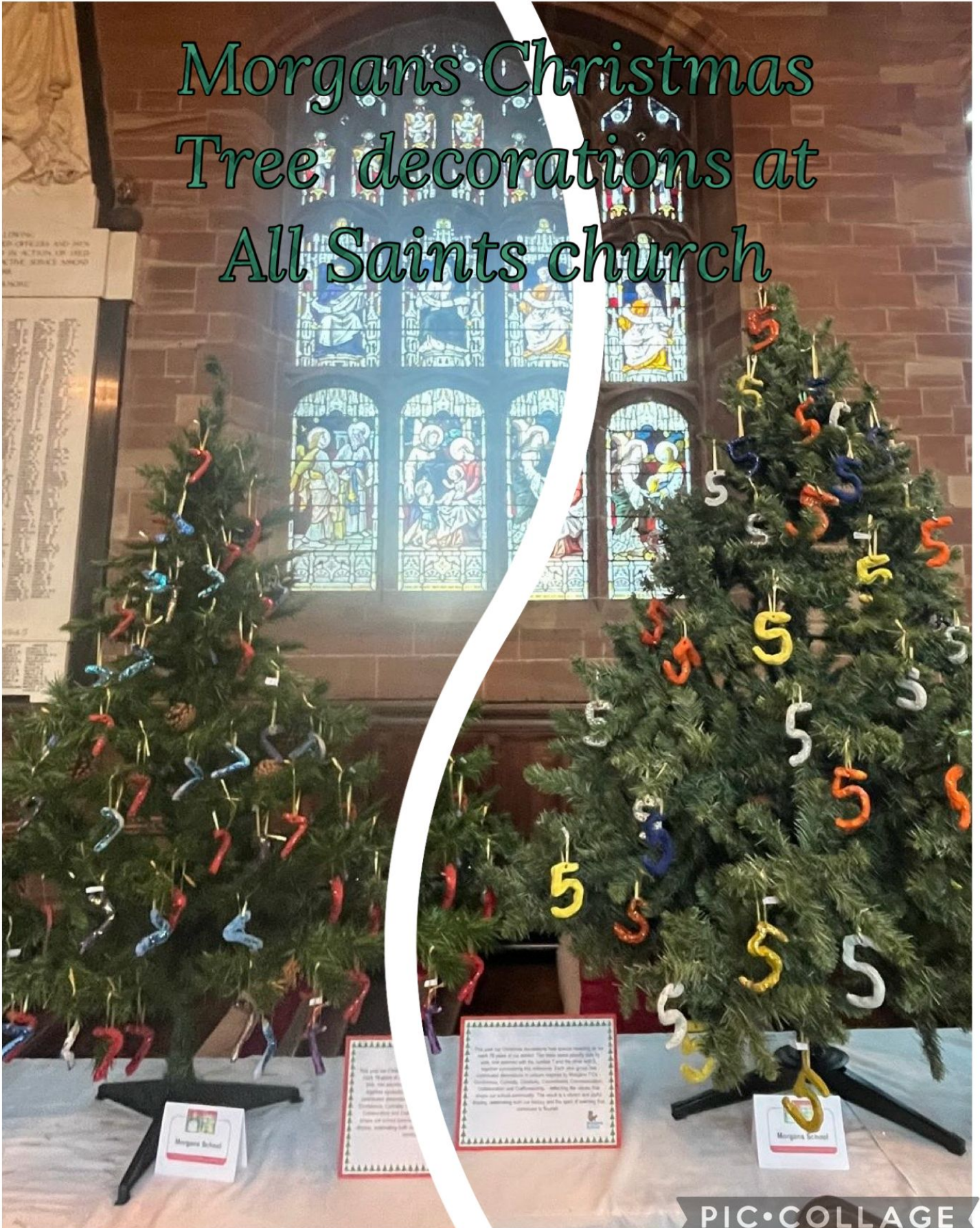
# Year 1 Trip: Hertford Walk



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# Morgans Christmas Tree decorations @ All Saints Church

## Morgans Christmas Tree decorations at All Saints church





## YEAR 5 STEM CENTRE TRIP



# 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](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions)



# House Points Results: 21/11/2025

1st



324

2nd



314

3rd



250

4th



226



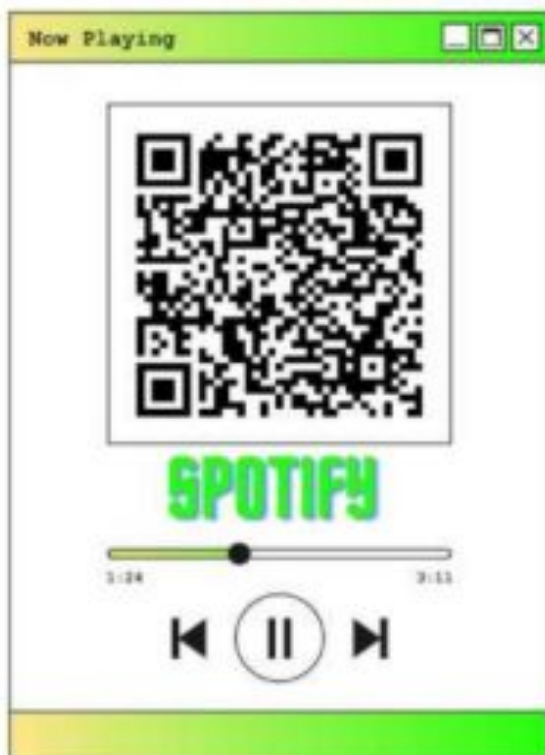


## HOME INFORMATION



### November's Musician of the Month

# BJÖRK



**About:** Guðmundsdóttir (born 21 November 1965) is an Icelandic singer, songwriter, composer, record producer, and actress. Noted for her distinct three-octave vocal range, fashion status and eccentric persona, she has developed an eclectic musical style over her four-decade career that has drawn on a range of genres.

**Genres:** Electronic, Pop and Experimental

**Active from:** 1975 - Present

**Origin:** Reykjavik, Iceland

Books to read...

If you like Björk, try...



- Florence and the Machine
- Wednesday Campanella
- Bat For Lashes



**Can technology  
ever help us too  
much?**



Nike Media



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

Nike has revealed a new type of powered shoe, called Project Amplify, which uses small motors to boost a person's walking and running movement. The shoes are designed to reduce tiredness and make everyday movement easier, especially for those who need extra support. Nike says the aim is to help people stay active, independent and mobile in their daily lives.



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





# 2025-6 Event Dates

10  
OCT

**Halloween Disco**

7  
NOV

**Quiz Night**

5  
DEC

**Christmas Fair**

9  
DEC

**Wreath Making Workshop**

10  
DEC

**Wreath Making Workshop**

6  
MAR

**Quiz Night**

13  
MAR

**Spring Disco**

16  
APR

**Morgans Mile**

13  
JUN

**Summer Fair**

10  
JUL

**Summer Disco**



**MiniMorgans**  
Nursery

# SANTA'S GROTTO

**13TH  
DEC**

✦ COME AND MEET  
SANTA AND RECEIVE A  
PRESENT

**11AM-  
1PM**

✦ ENJOY SOME FESTIVE  
DRINKS AND SNACKS

✦ TAKE PART IN  
CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

**FREE  
EVENT**

**ALL  
WELCOME**

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Mini Morgans Nursery  
Morgans Road,  
Hertford  
SG13 8DR  
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# AFTER SCHOOL ART CLUB

# SPRING TERM



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**Join us for lots of creative fun!**

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Morgans Primary  
Wednesdays 3.20 - 4.20

**ONLINE BOOKING**  
[www.artexplorers.co.uk](http://www.artexplorers.co.uk)



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We are a local organisation that supports vulnerable families and school aged children, we currently support across 27 schools.

All donations can be made to our team, please contact us to arrange collection/delivery.

**07487633259 OR 07745374901**

# 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!*

# 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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.**

