



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful festive week! Throughout the school, the sound of Christmas songs has filled the corridors. From traditional carols to cheerful modern tunes, the children have embraced the spirit of the season with energy and smiles.

Our Nativity performances were a real highlight, with all children shining on stage. The children sang beautifully, remembered their lines brilliantly, and brought the Christmas story to life with confidence and enthusiasm. A huge well done to all our young stars who demonstrated all the 7Cs with a large helping of "sparkle and shine!"

Early Years sang their Christmas songs which were truly magical, entertaining everyone with their actions and beautiful smiles. Everyone was so impressed with their performance and it certainly brought some Christmas cheer.

We also gathered together for our special Christingle service at All Saints in Hertford today which was a peaceful and reflective moment reminding us of the true message of Christmas; hope, light and community. As is tradition, Year 3 children carried the Christingle down the aisle and the glow of the candles was a beautiful sight. Thank you to our parent volunteers for helping to escort the children to church and for raising £50 towards The Children's Society. Much appreciated!

Of course, we cannot forget our amazing Christmas lunch this Wednesday! Roast turkey, festive treats and plenty of cheer made it a memorable meal. A huge thank you to our wonderful kitchen team for making it so special.

As a reminder, school will finish on **Friday 19th December at 1.15pm** for the Christmas holidays.

Have a great weekend.

Helen Melidoro
Headteacher



Dates for your Diary

- 15/12 iRock Concert
- 16/12 Panto Day
- 17/12 Year 1 - Walk to Hertford
- 19/12 End of term @ 1:15 pm
- 05/01 Start of Term

Reception Tour 10:30 am

Tue 07/01/2025

Deadline for Reception

Applications: 15/01/2026

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

Confidence Award

I am special and unique

I believe in myself

I am optimistic

I am resilient and I don't give up

I have a 'can-do' attitude

I don't mind making mistakes

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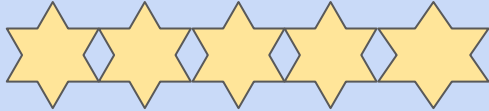




Attendance

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 - Laylah-Rose

Year 2 - Sienna

Year 3 - Harry & Amelia-Rose

Year 4 - Calliope & Fayrouz

Year 5 - Kenzy, Roisin & Joshua

Year 6 - Albi & Isobel

Attendance Registration	Present R/C: Marks
Nursery Oak	%
Reception	96.27%
Year 1	91.33%
Year 2	92.76%
Year 3	94.89%
Year 4	90.69%
Year 5	93.56%
Year 6	89.02%

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



Celebration Awards

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

Year 1 -

Year 2 -

Year 3 -

Year 4 -

Year 5 -

Year 6 -

Headteacher: The Kitchen Team!



Pantomime
Tuesday, 16/12/2025

Reminder: to book for the [Panto Treats](#) and also to pay £5.00 if not done so already.

Thank you





Dinner Menu



WEEK 3



Choose from...

Main

Vegetarian

Combo



...and to finish!

Bread and Salad will be available at Lunch Times

MONDAY

Cheese & Tomato Pizza
to go with

Baked Beans, Pasta

Tomato Pasta

to go with

Sweetcorn

Wrap

to go with

Side Salad, Homemade Potato Wedges
with choice of fillings

Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham

Chocolate Shortbread Cookie

Fresh Fruit Pot, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly

TUESDAY

Spiced Chicken Rice
to go with

Broccoli, Homemade Potato Wedges

Roasted Vegetable Cheesy Stack

to go with

Carrots, Mixed Rice

Jacket Potato

with choice of fillings

Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese & Beans

Wrap

with choice of fillings

Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham

Syrup Sponge

Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly

WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding
to go with

Carrots, Roast Potatoes

Hunter's Quorn

to go with

Carrots, Roast Potatoes

Wrap

to go with

Mashed Potato, Side Salad
with choice of fillings

Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham

Fruity Chocolate Traybake

Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly

THURSDAY

Sausage

to go with

Carrots, Mashed Potato

Vegetarian Sausage

to go with

Sweetcorn, Mashed Potato

Pasta

to go with

Side Salad
with choice of fillings

Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce

Wrap

with choice of fillings

Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham

Fruit Crumble

to go with

Custard

Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly

FRIDAY

Cod in Batter

to go with

Chips, Peas

Cheese Panini

to go with

Chips, Peas

Wrap

to go with

Chips, Side Salad
with choice of fillings

Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham

Lemon Pancakes

Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Cheese and Biscuits

Please speak to a member of the Catering Team or view relishschoolfood.co.uk for Allergen Information

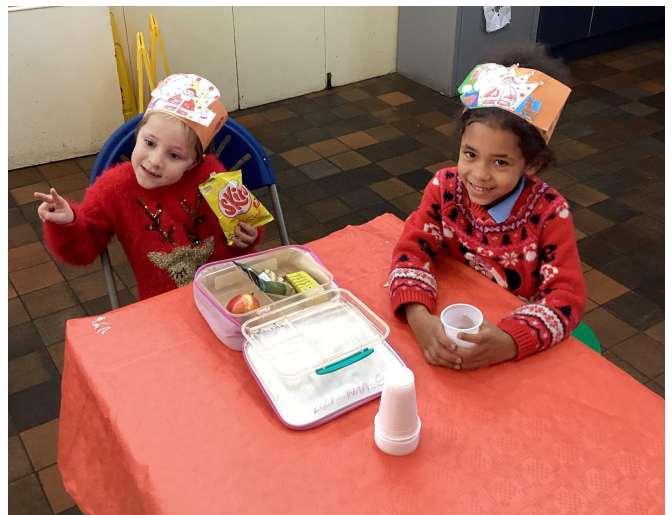
Please discuss your child's meal choice and ensure your child knows their meal choice each day. We are unable to swap for an alternative once the children are in the dining hall



Christmas Lunch: 3 Ash



Christmas Lunch: Year 2





UKS2 CHRISTMAS LUNCH 10.12.25

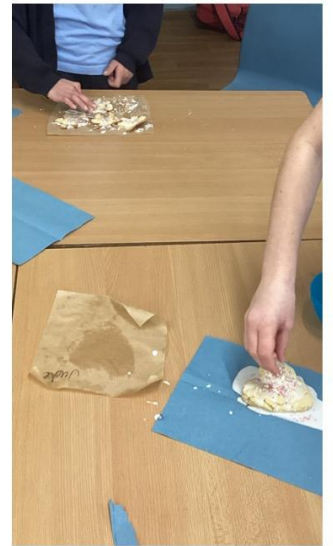


4 Lime Christmas Lunch



4 Lime Christmas lunch





4 Lime
Biscuit making



This is to confirm that
Morgans Primary School & Nursery

has demonstrated their commitment to

Improving gender balance in computer science

by participating in
'I Belong: encouraging girls into computer science'

Date issued
09 December 2025

Certificate number
202512-811

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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



House Points Results: 12/12/2025

1st



163

2nd



123

3rd



91

4th



72



DECEMBER



Born : Russia, 1840

Died: Russia, 1893

Famous Composition: Swan Lake

PYOTR ILYICH
TCHAIKOVSKY





How might challenges help us grow?

Let's look at this week's story



An adventurer named Darren Edwards, who is paralysed from the chest down, is preparing to travel 137 miles across Antarctica using a sit-ski. If he succeeds, he will break the world record for the longest sit-ski journey to the South Pole. Darren hopes his challenge will raise money for charity and show that his injury does not limit what he can achieve.



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

Next thing:
29 & 30 December 2025

Seriously fun & festive Christmas Tech Camp

Ages 5 - 11



Morgans Primary School, SG13 8DR
www.nextthing.education

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!

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.

