

Dear Parents and Carers,

We were delighted to welcome prospective families into our Nursery for a tour yesterday. Our youngest children were busy making pig pictures inspired by *The Three Little Pigs*, proudly showing how learning through stories begins right from the very start. It was a joy to see their enthusiasm, imagination and confidence as they shared their learning with our visitors.

This focus on early learning links to work taking place across the whole school. Staff have been looking closely at children's writing and stamina from Nursery all the way through to Year 6. It has been fantastic to see just how much progress the children make over time and to be reminded that it all starts with those early marks, stories and ideas formed in the youngest classes. You will be able to see this in children's books next week at Parents Evenings.

We are also proud to celebrate some sporting and academic achievements. Our football team played an excellent match last week, demonstrating teamwork, resilience and great sportsmanship throughout. In addition, Art in Year 4 was selected to represent Hertfordshire in an Inter-County Chess Tournament on 24 January and one of the teams, which included Art, successfully qualified for the final, scheduled to take place in March 2026. This is a commendable achievement that highlights Art's commitment and talent. Next Wednesday the school chess club, run by Mr Carroll, a volunteer, will have its final tournament matches following which a team will be chosen to represent the school at the Hertfordshire Schools Primary Chess Tournament in March. Finally, huge congratulations to Skyla in Year 6, who last weekend achieved winning times at the county swimming competition. This is an outstanding accomplishment and we are incredibly proud of her hard work and determination.

We would like to remind parents and carers to park considerately when dropping off and collecting children. Please do not block neighbours' driveways and be mindful of keeping access clear at all times. We have also noticed an increase in cars idling outside the school gates; we kindly ask that engines are switched off to reduce air pollution and keep our environment healthier for everyone.

The School Eco-Council will resume their patrols at the Morgans Road entrance so they can share their concerns about pollution and how to minimise it. We have requested that the PCSOs also start regular visits to the area due to irresponsible parking and engine idling following complaints from our neighbours.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support. By working together, we can help keep our community safe, respectful and welcoming.

Have a lovely weekend.

Helen Melidoro  
Headteacher



## Dates for your Diary

03/02 Parents Evening  
05/02 Parents Evening  
06/02 Y2 Florence Nightingale Workshop  
09/02 Rec: Phonics Meeting  
13/02 Y1 Great Fire London Experience  
25/02 FOMS AGM  
26/02 Wizard of Oz  
5/03 World Book Day

### Nursery Tour: 09:15 am

Tue 03/02/2026  
Thur 12/02/2026  
Fri 28/02/2026  
Mon 02/03/2026

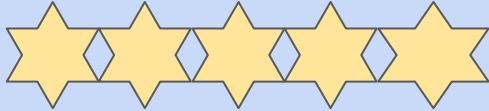
## Learning power of the week





## Stars of the Week

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



Year 1 - Sophia

Year 2 - Evelyn

Year 3 - Isla & Sadie

Year 4 - Maisie & Bertie

Year 5 - Quinton & Lily

Year 6 - Felix & Emily



## Celebration Awards

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

Reception - Alfie, Bronte and Jessie

Year 1 - Victor and Felix

Year 2 - Emma and Harry

Year 3 - Archer and Maia

Year 4 - Emilia & Riley

Year 5 - Ivy and Jack

Year 6 - Zaara & Oscar

Headteacher: Elliott, Nursery

## Attendance



Attendance Registration	Present R/C: Marks
Nursery Oak	%
Reception	93.41%
Year 1	93.67%
Year 2	91.43%
Year 3	93.33%
Year 4	93.10%
Year 5	94.22%
Year 6	93.20%

Well done to Year 4 for Punctuality Piglet and no winners for Attendance Alpaca



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- Help guide the school's vision and priorities
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# Dinner Menu

WEEK 2					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>STEP 1</b> Choose from...  <b>Main</b>  <b>Vegetarian</b>  <b>Combo</b>  <b>STEP 2</b> ...and to finish! Bread and Salad will be available at Lunch Times	<b>Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza</b> to go with Coleslaw, Pasta	<b>Greek Style Chicken Wrap</b> to go with Sweetcorn, Wholegrain Rice	<b>Roast Chicken</b> to go with Cabbage, Roast Potatoes, Gravy	<b>Cumberland Pie</b> to go with Carrots, Peas	<b>Fish Fingers</b> to go with Baked Beans, Chips
	<b>Butternut Squash Quesadilla</b> to go with Baked Beans, Pasta	<b>Mac N Cheese</b> to go with Homemade Garlic Bread, Sweetcorn	<b>Quorn Fillet</b> to go with Carrots, Roast Potatoes, Gravy	<b>Quorn Hotdog</b> to go with Peas	<b>Quorn Sausages</b> to go with Baked Beans, Chips
	<b>Jacket Potato</b> to go with <b>Side Salad</b> with choice of fillings <small>Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese &amp; Beans</small>	<b>Jacket Potato</b> to go with <b>Side Salad</b> with choice of fillings <small>Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese &amp; Beans</small>	<b>Jacket Potato</b> to go with <b>Side Salad</b> with choice of fillings <small>Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese &amp; Beans</small>	<b>Pasta</b> to go with <b>Side Salad</b> with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce	<b>Wrap</b> to go with <b>Chips</b> with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham
	<b>Wrap</b> to go with Homemade Herby Diced Potatoes with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Wrap</b> to go with <b>Side Salad</b> with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Wrap</b> to go with <b>Side Salad</b> with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	<b>Wrap</b> to go with <b>Side Salad</b> with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	
	<b>Oaty Fruit Crunch</b>  <b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly</b>	<b>Carrot Cake</b>  <b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly</b>	<b>Lemon Cheesecake</b>  <b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly</b>	<b>Chocolate Sponge</b> to go with Chocolate Sauce  <b>Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly</b>	<b>Cherry Shortbread</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.



# Library Update



We had a donation of wonderful new books for our library this week. The children will enjoy reading them, thank you.



PIC•COLLAGE



*School Success:  
County Swimming Championships  
& Inter-County Chess Tournament*



Skyla (Year 6) had another amazing weekend, qualifying for 10 races and reaching the finals in 9 of them. She achieved new personal bests in all 10 races and was awarded a bronze medal in the 200m butterfly, which she was incredibly proud of.

Even more impressively, Skyla has already achieved qualifying times as an 10 year old for next year's counties as a 12 year old, which reflects the hard work and dedication she has put into her training.

Art (Year 4) represented Hertfordshire County in the Inter-County Chess Tournament held on 24 January 2026.

Hertfordshire entered two teams in the competition, and I am pleased to share that one of the teams, which included Art, successfully qualified for the final, scheduled to take place in March 2026.

This is a commendable achievement that highlights the students' commitment, skill, and hard work, and it reflects positively on the school.



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## Relish: Job Advert

Relish are looking for a Catering/Kitchen Assistant who will support the teams across two local school kitchens.

- £12.21 per hour, working school term-time only
- Own vehicle + clean driving licence needed.
- Zero hours contract. Covering staff sickness between two local schools.
- Providing cover for Morgans Primary & Fairfields Primary (Cheshunt - EN7 6JG)
- Availability when required: 10:45 am - 2:00 pm, Monday - Friday.
- Mileage paid at 45p per mile.
- General kitchen duties; cleaning, food preparation, serving pupils.
- Training provided.

Please email your CV in to Stuart Johnson - Operations Manager:  
[stuartjohnson@relishschoolfood.co.uk](mailto:stuartjohnson@relishschoolfood.co.uk)



# House Points Results: 30/01/2026

1st



139

2nd



123

3rd



83

4th



68





## HOME INFORMATION



### January's Musician of the Month

# LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN



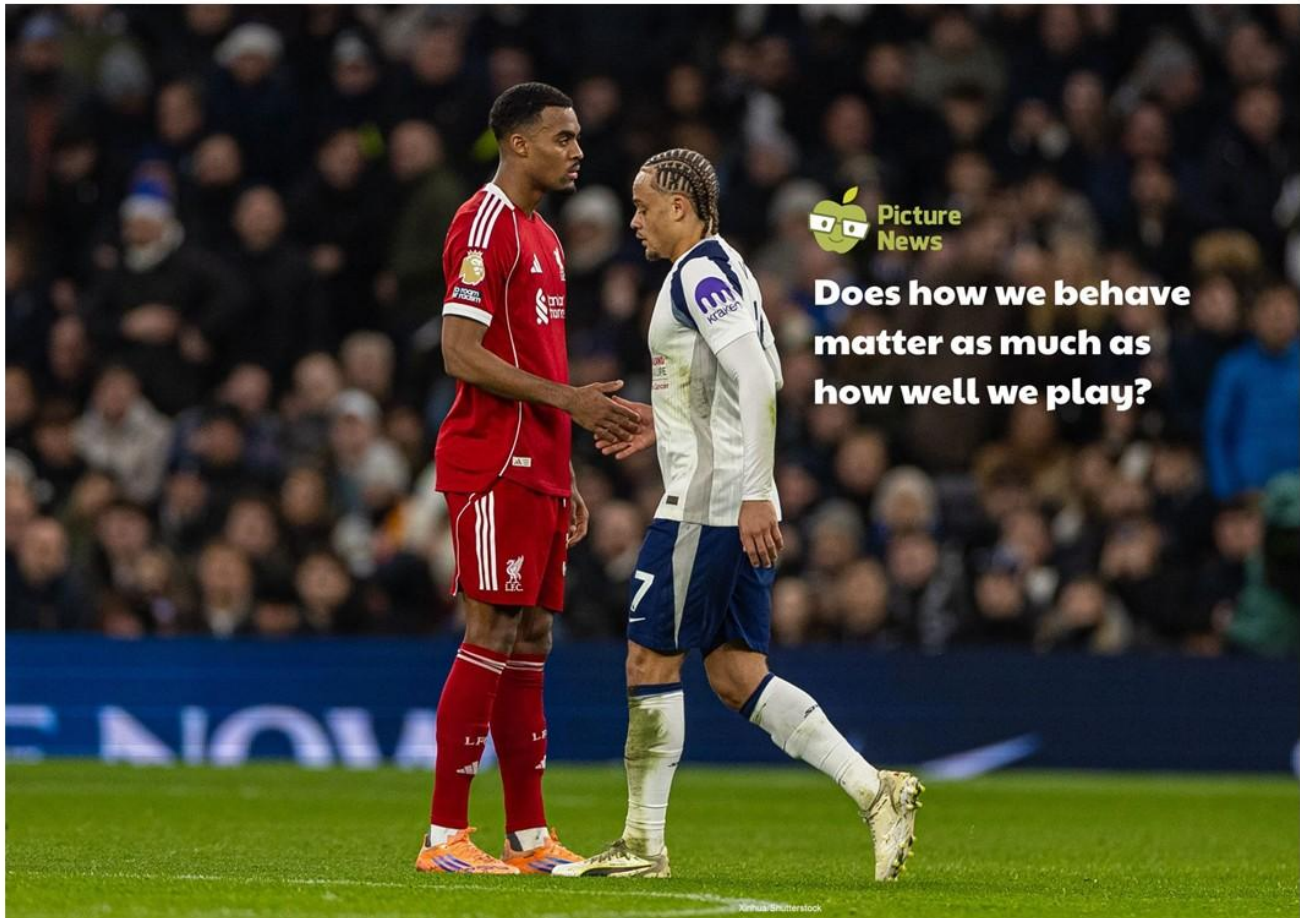
**About:** Ludwig van Beethoven (17th December 1770 – 26 March 1827) was a German composer and pianist who remains one of the most admired composers in the history of Western music; his works rank among the most performed of the classical music repertoire and span the transition from the Classical period to the Romantic era in classical music. In his early period, he forged his craft whilst his middle period showed an individual development from the styles of Haydn and Mozart. During this time, he began to grow increasingly deaf. In his late period, he extended his innovations in musical form and expression.

Books to read...

If you like Beethoven, try...



- Franz Joseph Haydn
- Kaija Saariaho
- Claude Debussy



**Does how we behave  
matter as much as  
how well we play?**

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



The Football Association (FA) has published a review looking at behaviour in football across England. It wants to ensure football practice and matches are safe, fair, and enjoyable for everyone, including players, referees, and fans. The review encourages all involved in the sport to play their part in supporting and following values of positive behaviour.



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**

# 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.



# 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

Occasional Day: Friday 20th November 2026

Christmas Holidays: Monday 21st December -Monday 4th January 2027

## Spring Term 2027

Tuesday 5th January – Wednesday 24th March 2027 (1.15pm Finish)

Inset Day 2: Monday 4th January 2027

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

# 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!*