

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy and memorable week it has been!

Our Sports Day was a wonderful occasion, filled with determination, resilience and fantastic team spirit. It was a joy to see every child taking part with such enthusiasm, supporting one another and celebrating each other's achievements. Thank you to all our families who came along to cheer the children on and help make the day so special.

This week also saw our Transition Morning, when children spent time with their new teachers and support staff. These opportunities are so important in helping children feel settled and excited for the year ahead, and it was lovely to see so many smiling faces.

We were also delighted to welcome our new Reception and Nursery children and their families for a special lunch. It was a pleasure to meet our newest members of the school community, and we hope everyone enjoyed getting to know the staff and exploring their new learning environment. We can't wait to welcome you all in September.

The recent heatwave has certainly tested us all! I would like to thank our children and staff, who have coped admirably with the exceptionally warm weather. We have adapted our routines throughout the week to keep everyone safe and comfortable, including introducing what has become our newly named 'hot play' - a rather different experience from the more familiar 'wet play'! The children have been brilliant at remembering their water bottles, hats and sun safety, and we appreciate your support in helping us manage the high temperatures.

Today we are looking forward to our Summer Fair and Key Stage Disco. A huge thank you to our amazing Friends of the School (FOMS) for all the hard work, enthusiasm and countless hours they have given to organising these events. Their commitment to our school community is greatly appreciated, and the funds they raise provide wonderful opportunities and resources for our children.

As always, thank you for your continued support. We hope you have a lovely weekend and look forward to another exciting week together.

Helen Melidoro
Headteacher



Dates for your Diary

14/07 Sports Day (Y5-6) am
14/07 Year 2 Hertford Archives
20/07 Year 6 Leavers Assembly
20/07 I Rock Concert
20/07 Non Uniform Day for Winner
of Summer 2

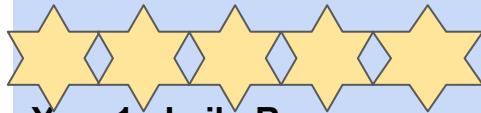
Learning power of the week





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 - Leila-Rose

Year 2 - Every one!!!

Year 3 - Sebastian & Elliott

Year 4 - Emily and Emilia

Year 5 - Archie and Amelia B

Year 6 - Sienna P & Penny

Attendance

Attendance Registration	Present R/C: Marks
Nursery Oak (Non Statutory)	100%
Reception	92.24%
Year 1	93.21%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	90.98%
Year 4	93.61%
Year 5	96.44%
Year 6	91.96%

Well done to Year 5 classes for winning Attendance Alpaca. Year 2 classes won Punctuality Piglet.



Celebration Awards

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

Reception - Jaxon, Arturo and Ivy

Year 1 - Arthur

Year 2 - out on trip

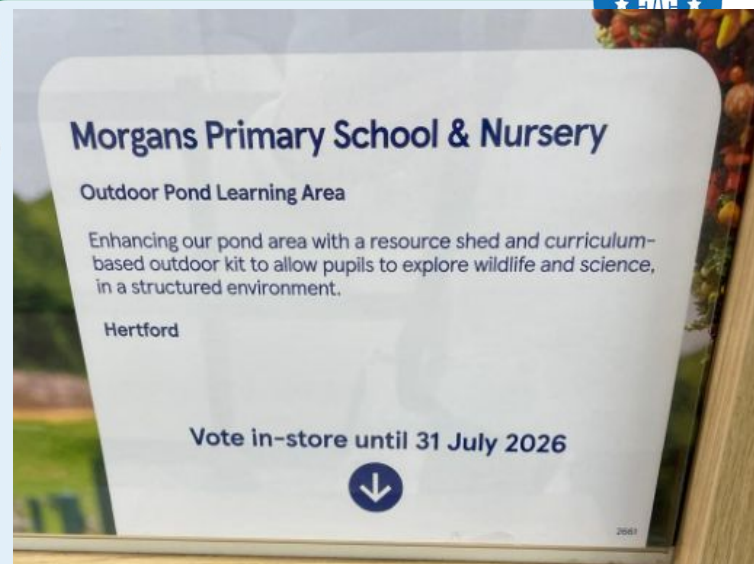
Year 3 - Viktoriia & Isla

Year 4 - Sienna and Talia

Year 5 - Remy & Lishaaly

Year 6 - All of Year 6

Headteacher: All Year 6



Our School has been nominated to take part in the Blue Tokens Scheme! Please vote for your school every time you visit Tesco in Hertford! You have until 31 July 2026



Sports Day



Sports Day



Year 3/4 Sports Day



Sports Day



Year 3 and 4 sports day



Year 2 Trip



Year 2 Southend Trip



PIC•COLLAGE



Year 4 D&T
making torches





HOME INFORMATION



July's Musician of the Month

Alan Dawa Dolma



Kanegen, 2008: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Alan,_Tokyo_Game_Show_2008.jpg (oval crop)



About: Alan Dawa Dolma is a Tibetan singer known for her distinctive technique, the "Tibetan wail". This is a soaring sound at very high pitches. She acquired it instinctively while growing up in Sichuan, where singing and dancing are daily activities, and compared it to Okinawan and Mongolian folk music. As a Tibetan Buddhist, she aims to sing about "love and peace". She plays piano and erhu (a two-stringed bowed musical instrument, more specifically a spike fiddle), which she has played since childhood.

Genres: Pop, Mandopop, J-pop, Tibet folk

Active from: 2005 – Present

Origin: Kangding, Sichuan, China

Books to read...

If you like Alan Dawa Dolma, try...



- Sa Dingding
- Wangdon Tso
- Misty Terrace





**What makes
something popular?**



Let's look at this week's story



Squishy dumpling toys have become popular with many children in recent months. Videos showing people squeezing, collecting, and opening the toys have helped them spread quickly online. As more people have bought these types of toys, Trading Standards officers have been called in to carry out safety checks on some of the products being sold in shops and online.



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



House Points Results this Half-Term

1st



652

2nd



561

3rd



478

4th



425



Great British Summer Savings

Rising prices can make life's little treats harder to afford, especially during the school holidays when costs build up for families. This Government is determined to help, and that is why last month the Chancellor announced the *Great British Summer Savings* scheme.

From 25 June to 1 September 2026, the Government is temporarily cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts and exhibitions, and admission to a wide range of attractions. Combined with free bus travel during August for children aged 5 to 15 in England, families and young people will be able to enjoy experiences that make summer special, including visits to the kinds of cultural and educational attractions that enrich children's lives outside the classroom.

The public are ready to get behind the scheme and are keen to take advantage of the discounts available. As trusted pillars of their communities, schools play a vital role in connecting families with important information.

We need you to help spread the word. So please share details of the *Great British Summer Savings* scheme through your newsletters, school apps, and other communications to parents and carers, so that the families in your school community know about the experiences they can enjoy this summer for less.

This forms part of a broader effort by the Government to ease financial pressures on families. From ending the two-child limit and expanding free school meals, to rolling out free breakfast clubs and delivering 30 hours of free childcare, this Government is taking action to put more money back into parents' pockets and give every child the best possible start in life.

As part of this campaign, we have launched an attraction finder website which allows families to type in their postcode and find participating venues near them to make the most of summer savings. To use the attraction finder, please visit <https://summersavings.gov.uk>.

Businesses can find out more about the VAT reduction by visiting GOV.UK and searching 'Temporary reduced rate of VAT for family attractions'.

Yours sincerely,

RT HON BRIDGET PHILLIPSON MP
Secretary of State for Education



Dinner Menu

WEEK 1					
STEP 1 Choose from...	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Main	Toad in the Hole	Roast Gammon	Beef Bolognaise	Cod in Batter
	to go with Baked Beans, Homemade Potato Wedges	to go with Mashed Potato, Peas, Gravy	to go with Carrots, Roast Potatoes, Gravy	to go with Homemade Garlic Bread, Mixed Pasta, Sweetcorn	to go with Chips, Peas
	Vegetarian	Vegetarian Toad in the Hole	Quorn Fillet	Vegetarian Chilli Con Carne	Cheese & Tomato Pinwheels
	to go with Baked Beans, Homemade Potato Wedges	to go with Mashed Potato, Peas, Gravy	to go with Carrots, Peas, Roast Potatoes, Gravy	to go with Mixed Rice, Sweetcorn	to go with Chips, Peas
Combo	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Pasta	Wrap
	to go with Mixed Salad with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese & Beans	to go with Mixed Salad with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese & Beans	to go with Mixed Salad with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese & Beans	to go with Mixed Salad with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce	to go with Chips, Peas with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham
	Wrap	Wrap	Wrap	Wrap	
STEP 2 ...and to finish!	to go with Baked Beans, Homemade Potato Wedges with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	to go with Carrot Sticks, Tortilla Crisps with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Ham, Tuna	to go with Carrots, Roast Potatoes with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	to go with Carrot Sticks, Tortilla Crisps with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	
	Chocolate Chip Cookie	Banana Flapjack	Cherry Pie to go with Custard	Strawberry Sponge	Chocolate Ice Cream
	Fresh Fruit Pot, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Cheese and Biscuits, 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.





All Saints Welcomes Everyone

GREEN WATCH

Get
HANDS-ON
with
NATURE

PARENTS AND CHILDREN'S

ACTIVITY DAY



More to See ~ More to Touch ~ More to Discover



SATURDAY 18 JULY 2026

10.00am to 2.00pm. Light Lunches from 11.30am

• Background Piano Music By Mary and Martin Penny • Fiona's Produce Stall

ALL SAINTS CHURCH - Queens Road, Hertford, Hertfordshire SG13 8AY

www.allsaintshertford.org

Hertford Children's Choir

Summer

Choir 8-13 yrs

Camp

Aug 25th-28th
9:30-3pm



"An amazing experience."

JOIN US!

www.tinyurl.com/hertfordchildrenschoir

Hertford Children's Choir is running a 4-day Summer Choir Camp Aug 25-28th at St Andrew's Hertford which gives children aged 8-13 a unique opportunity to perform in St Paul's Cathedral. We are keen to recruit keen singers from a range of schools around the Hertford area and would be most grateful if you would publicise the opportunity to your school. Places are limited to 30 and are allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. There is no audition to take part and we welcome experienced singers as well as those who are less experienced. Financial assistance is available for those who need it (please tick the box on the application form).

There is more information online via the link below:

https://www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/Groups/446097/Hertford_St_Andrews/In_the_Community/Hertford_Childrens_Choir/Summer_Choir_Camp/Summer_Choir_Camp.aspx

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 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

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