MORGANS MAIL

Nurturing Life-Long Learning 06/11/2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back after half term and I hope you have all had a good rest!

Yesterday our Year 4 children enjoyed an exciting educational visit to Verulamium, bringing their history learning to life. The children explored the fascinating remains of the Roman town and had the opportunity to deepen their understanding of Roman life and its impact on Britain by visiting the Museum. They represented Morgans brilliantly throughout the visit!

Some of our Year 6 children took part in Sports Leader training this week, developing their leadership, teamwork and communication skills. We are looking forward to seeing them put their new skills into practice, supporting and encouraging their peers to enjoy a range of sporting activities.

We were delighted to welcome our prospective Reception children and their families for their first school tour on Tuesday. Our children were wonderful ambassadors for Morgans, proudly showcasing their learning, demonstrating excellent behaviour and helping our visitors experience what makes our school such a special place. We were incredibly proud of them!

Today we held the first of our Stay and Play sessions in Nursery for with a special fireworks theme. It was lovely to see the children exploring, learning and enjoying activities together with their families. We hope to offer more of these sessions throughout the year.

We hope everyone has a fun-filled weekend celebrating Bonfire Night with family and friends. Whether you are attending an organised fireworks display or enjoying celebrations at home, please remember to stay safe and take care around fireworks.

Wishing all our families a lovely weekend!

Helen Melidoro

Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

10/11 Faith Tour
13/11 Children in Need
27/11 Y3 Day out
1/12/26: Flu vaccination in school
4/12 Xmas Fair
8/12 Nativity Y1/2
9/12 Xmas Lunch
10/12 Nativity Y1/2
11/12 EYFS Xmas Songs (AM)
11/12 Christingle (PM)
14/12 Volunteer Tea / iRock Concert
15/12 Pantomime

Learning power of the week



COMMUNICATION COMMITMENT CONFIDENCE CREATIVITY COLLABORATION CURIOSITY CRAFTSMANSHIP

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 - Jaxon & Sebastian
Year 2 - Hadley
Year 3 - Oliver
Year 4 - Freddie & Emilia
Year 5 -Fayrouz & Ayan
Year 6 -Roisin & Zara

Attendance

Attendance Registration	Present R/C: Marks
Nursery Oak (Non Statutory)	100%
Reception	90.85%
Year 1	94.92%
Year 2	96%
Year 3	96.07%
Year 4	94.05%
Year 5	97.37%
Year 6	93%

Well done to Year 5 classes for winning Attendance Alpaca. Year 3 class won Punctuality Piglet.

Celebration Awards

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

Year 1 - Erin & Ernie
Year 2 - Phoebe
Year 3 - Harry
Year 4 - All of Year 4
Year 5 - Rupert & Sidney
Year 6 - Leo & Jed
Headteacher Award: Ayan, Y5

Hall of Fame



Name: Melanie Woodward (Nursery Practitioner)

Favourite Pop Artist: Abba (but my list is endless!)

Last book you read: Someone Else's Shoes

Favourite Meal: All food as long as I don't have to cook it!

Describe yourself in 5 words: Fun, Spontaneous, Confident, Talkative, Foodie

Picture News



Let's look at this week's story

British adventurer Karl Bushby has returned to the UK, after spending almost 28 years travelling around the world on an incredible journey home. Since leaving Chile in 1998, he has travelled through jungles, deserts and icy landscapes, even swimming across seas to continue his adventure. Karl's journey has been filled with amazing experiences, challenges and achievements.

Learn more about this week's story here.
Watch this week's useful video here.
This week's Virtual Picture News here.

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Musician of the Month

HOME INFORMATION

November's Musician of the Month

Hildegard of Bingen







About: Hildegard of Bingen (c. 1098 – 1179) was a German Benedictine abbess and polymath active as a writer, composer, philosopher, mystic, visionary, and as a medical writer and practitioner during the High Middle Ages. She is one of the best-known composers of sacred monophony, as well as the most recorded in modern history. She has been considered by scholars to be the founder of scientific natural history in Germany.

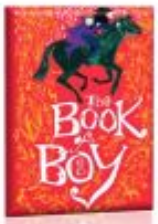
Genres: Hymns, Chants & Monophonic

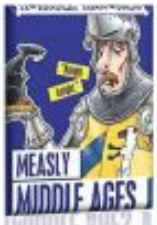
Active from: Unknown - 1179

Origin: Bingen, Germany

Books to read...



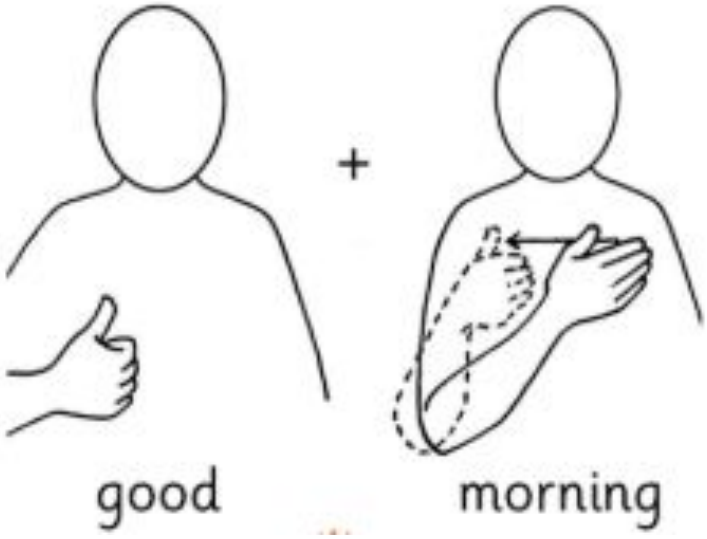




If you like Hildegard of Bingen, try...

- Guillaume de Machaut
- Adam de la Halle
- Stephen of Liège

Sign of the Week



Makaton



Good Morning

Year 4 Trip
Verulamium Museum





Year 4 Verulamium trip - Romans







Y5/Y6 Netball



MORGANS vs SIMON BALLE

On Thursday 5th October Morgans had a netball match against Simon Balle, at home. Before the first quarter, we did rock, paper, scissors to determine who got the first centre. Fortunately for them they won it. Next, we got into our positions and the starting whistle blew. Their centre, but luckily we made a turnover and scored the first goal. After the first quarter the score was 3 - 1. Morgans in the lead.
Now the second quarter. This time, Morgans had the first centre pass. In this quarter, both teams only scored one goal.That makes the score 4 - 2, Simon Balle centre.
For the third quarter, 2 goals were scored for Morgans and 2 for Simon Balle.At the end of third quarter the score was 6 - 4.
Lastly, the fourth quarter, this was a great quarter for Morgans as we managed to score a goal and take the win! End score: 7 - 5 to Morgans!

Oppositions player of the match : Brooke
Coaches players of the match: Roisin

Morgans School



House Points Results this Week

1st

LEA

213

2nd

RIB

211

3rd

BEANE

161

4th

MIMRAM

146



Dinner Menu

WEEK 1

Step 1 Choose from...	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main	Home-made Pizza to go with Pasta, Carrot and Coriander Salad	All day breakfast to go with Baked Beans, Homemade Herby Diced Potatoes	Roast Chicken to go with Broccoli, Roast Potatoes, Gravy	Diced Chicken Katsu Curry to go with Garlic & Coriander Naan Bread, Mixed Rice, Asian Cucumber Salad	Fish Fingers to go with Peas, Chips
Vegetarian	Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake to go with Homemade Garlic Bread, Carrot and Coriander Salad	Vegetarian All Day Breakfast to go with Baked Beans, Homemade Herby Diced Potatoes	Vegetable Cottage Pie to go with Carrots, Broccoli, Gravy	Cauliflower & Spinach Curry to go with Garlic & Coriander Naan Bread, Mixed Rice, Asian Cucumber Salad	Cheese & Tomato Pinwheels to go with Peas, Chips
Combo	Wrap to go with Mixed Salad with choice of fillings Tuna Mayo, Ham, Grated Cheese	Pasta to go with Mixed Salad with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce	Jacket Potato to go with Mixed Salad with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese & Beans	Pasta to go with Mixed Salad with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce	Wrap with choice of fillings Tuna Mayo, Ham, Grated Cheese
		Wrap to go with Mixed Salad, Tortilla Crisps with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	Wrap to go with Mixed Salad, Tortilla Crisps with choice of fillings Tuna Mayo, Ham, Grated Cheese	Wrap to go with Mixed Salad, Tortilla Crisps with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	
Step 2 ...and to finish!	Apple Sponge	Chocolate Crunch	Homemade Caramel Biscuits	Apricot Flapjack	Raspberry Ripple Ice-cream Roll
	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

Bread and Salad will be available at Lunch Times

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 2027

Secondary/Upper/Studio/University Technical College
Application deadline: Saturday 31 October 2026

Primary (Reception)/Junior/Middle
Application deadline: Friday 15 January 2027

Apply online at

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions

Hertfordshire

AUTUMN TERM

SEPT 25

THE GREAT MORGANS BAKE OFF

In aid of Macmillian Cancer Support Coffee Morning, join us for cake and a brew!



OCT 16

HALLOWEEN DISCO

Get ready for a spook-tacular night of dancing and fun!



NOV 13

AUTUMN QUIZ

Have you got it to beat the reigr
evening out with friends or com
table and meet like minded peop

EVENT CANCELLED

DEC 04

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Book tickets to see Father Christmas, festive games. Raffle and tombola and many more festivities to be announced.



DEC 7

CHRISTMAS WREATH WORKSHOPS

Join us for a festive evening creating Christmas wreaths at one of our faboulous workshops



For more information: friendsofmorgans.co.uk

Friends of Morgans School (FOMS)

@friendsofmorgans

WELCOME BACK!

🎃👻 A huge thank you to everyone who attended and supported our Spooktacular Halloween Disco! 🧡🎃

We absolutely loved seeing all the children dressed up in their fantastic Halloween costumes. There were so many amazing outfits, and it was wonderful to see everyone enjoying themselves and getting into the spooky spirit! With your support we made an incredible £1338.01

We have decided to cancel the Autumn Quiz in November and focus on putting together a festive Christmas fair. Join us back in the Spring when the quiz returns.



Christmas Fair

We're delighted to announce that our Christmas Fair is back on Friday 4th December and we can't wait to welcome our Morgan families for an afternoon full of festive fun, laughter, and Christmas cheer.

This year, the fair will run from 3:30pm until 5:30pm, giving more families the opportunity to join us after work, clubs, and other commitments.

There will be plenty to enjoy, including festive games, Christmas biscuit decorating, and the chance to purchase your child's special Christmas creations. Of course, no Christmas Fair would be complete without a visit from the big man himself, Father Christmas! Be sure to book your tickets in advance at www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofmorgans

Our popular Christmas Raffle is back too, with some fantastic prizes already donated, including a Tesco Festive Hamper, a month's family membership to Hertfordshire Sports Village, a family pass to Church Farm Ardeley, and many more prizes still to be announced. The much-loved Rainbow Hampers, created by each year group, will also be up for grabs.

And that's not all... keep your eyes peeled, as we may have a few special festive visitors stopping by during the afternoon! 🎅

We hope you'll join us for what promises to be a wonderful community celebration and the perfect way to start the festive season.

🌟 Be Part of the Christmas Magic! 🎄

We're looking for volunteers, raffle prizes, and hamper donations to help make our Christmas Fair a festive success. Every contribution is greatly appreciated!

✨ Keep an eye out for posters around school and on our social media pages for donation requests and ways to get involved.

Together, we can make this year's fair our most magical yet!

Back by popular demand, our festive Wreath Making Workshop is returning! 🎄

We're delighted to welcome back Shoni from Sioned Rogers Events, who will guide you step-by-step through creating a beautiful handmade wreath to take home and display proudly throughout the festive season.



Why not gather some friends, enjoy a mince pie, and make an evening of festive creativity, laughter, and Christmas cheer.

✨ Tickets are on sale now.
🎟️ Places are limited to just 25 people, so early booking is recommended to avoid disappointment.

✨ It's Behind You!

Children's Christmas Pantomime

On Tuesday 15th December, the children will be treated to a very special visit from a theatre company, bringing a pantomime to Morgans Primary School for everyone to enjoy!

As a little festive treat, Friends of Morgans will also be providing the children with snacks to enjoy while they sit back, relax and enjoy the show. The school will send out a form nearer the time to confirm any dietary requirements.

This is just one small example of what your support makes possible.

Every event, raffle ticket, donation and purchase helps us create special experiences and opportunities for our children. It is thanks to the continued kindness, generosity and support of our wonderful Morgans families and wider community that we are able to make these little moments happen.

✨ Here's What's Coming Up in 2027

SPRING TERM

4th March - World Book Day

19th March - Spring Quiz

14th April - Morgans Mile

14th May - Silent Disco

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FRIENDS OF MORGANS

CHRISTMAS FAIR

MERRY CHRISTMAS MERRY CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY 4TH DEC

RAFFLE
BOOK SALE
TOMBOLA'S
MULLED WINE
CHRISTMAS GAMES
BISCUIT DECORATING
ADOPT A TEDDY BEAR
FATHER CHRISTMAS GROTTO





FESTIVE Wreath WORKSHOP

Friends of Morgans School

7 DEC 7.30PM



£40 FOLIAGE ONLY



£50 FOLIAGE AND FRESH FLOWERS

ALL MATERIALS SUPPLIED

FOMS BAR SERVING MULLED WINE, PROSECCO AND MORE!

DOORS OPEN 7.00PM
QUEENS HALL, MORGANS

GLASS OF PROSECCO, MULLED WINE OR SOFT DRINK INCLUDED IN PRICE.

TERM CALENDAR for Parents
2026-2027

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 – Thursday 25th 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

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

Summer Term 2027

Monday 12th April – Thursday 22nd July 2027 (Wednesday 21st July 1.15pm Finish)

Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May 2027

Inset Day 4: Friday 28th May 2027

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

Inset Day 5: Thursday 22nd July 2027

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

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.







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