

Morice Town Mirror

Morice Town Primary Academy Newsletter

26th March 2021 www.moricetownprimary.co.uk

A Message from Mr Roberts

It feels a little peculiar to be writing an end of term message so soon after the majority of the children returned only three weeks ago. I appreciate how hard it was for many parents to help their children during our partial closure but you have done an excellent job. The teachers have completed their assessments of the children and now have a clear understanding of their needs. They can now adapt the planned work next term to ensure the children continue to make good progress for the rest of this year.

Please remember, as the children have missed so much this term the school will be open on Thursday the 1st April in a change to the originally published term dates.

I wish you all a happy Easter and see you back in school on Monday 19th April.

Sustrans Big Pedal

Sustrans Big Pedal, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking wheeling and scooting challenge is back for 2021. Children will be able to take part whether they are travelling to school or learning at home. As well as active journeys to school, 30 minutes of physical activity at home and exercise taken from home with a family member will count as one journey in the challenge this year. For further information please see link below.

https://bigpedal.org.uk/resources

Symptoms of Covid

Reminder that if your child has any one of the 3 main symptoms of covid they will need to have a PCR test which can be booked through the NHS website or by calling 119. The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- A high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- A new continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour or 3 or more coughing sessions in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough it may be worse than usual)
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Non Pupil Day

A reminder that the non-pupil day scheduled for 1st April has been cancelled. School will now be open as normal.

Red Nose Day

Thank you for the donations for Red Nose Day. The total we raised this year was £125.39!!



Fixed and Fed (FSM Families)

In response to reduced inactivity levels caused by the COVID pandemic the councils Sports Development Unit will be giving away a number of Fit and Fed holiday packs (with a food parcel and physical activity bag) this Easter to children on free school meals attending a number of primary schools in the city.

The food parcels are being provided by CATERed and will contain a range of nutritious food to make five healthy two-course lunches with additional snacks. The parcels will also contain a recipe booklet to help plan some exciting meals. Please see link below to apply.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/fit-and-fed-holiday-packs-32630559131

Online Safety

Please see useful link below for parents/carers on online exploitation. https://shaping.org.uk/

Uniform

Reminder, as per the uniform policy, only stud earrings to be worn in school, no hoops etc. Thank you for your cooperation.



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Parent Workshop

Please see below flyer with some information regarding a parent workshop.



Think behaviour, think language. I wonder if....

> Communication and Interaction Team Social, Emotional and Mental Health Team

A free, informal workshop for parents and carers to consider the links between behaviour and speech, language and communication needs. This event will be held virtually on Tuesday 15th June 2021, 10am - 12pm

Does your child have difficulty with:

- Listening?
- Attention?
- Communication?
- Friendships?

The session will aim to raise awareness of speech, language and communication needs (SLCN) and consider the impact on a child's social, emotional and mental health (SEMH). SLCN can become apparent through a child's behaviour in a variety of ways and we shall provide further insight into these complex links.

The session provides an opportunity to share ideas about what works for you and a chance to discuss and learn from other parents/carers.

There will also be an opportunity for questions to the Advisory Teachers and Family Worker from the Communication and Interaction Team and the Social, Emotional and Mental Health team.

To book your free place, please contact: Sue Vanstone (01392)287355 <u>sue.vanstone@babcockinternational.com</u>

Key Dates	
Last day of school	Thursday 1 st April
Easter Holidays	Friday 2 nd April – Friday 16 th April
All children back to school	Monday 19 th April
Sustrans Big Pedal	Monday 19 th April – Friday 30th April