



# MONTGOMERIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Montgomerie News Update

### Summer Week 11

#### Oliver!

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week, Year 5 and 6 performed in their production of Oliver. They worked hard on learning song words and lines and also created their own backdrop and props to make the production extra special. The feedback from our audiences was overwhelming – they loved it! I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge well done to the children and also thank parents and carers for your support and encouragement. Also, a huge thank you to staff for their on-going dedication.

#### School trips

On Wednesday, Class 2 spent the morning at Pizza Express learning all about food from around the world. They had the opportunity to create and eat (yum!) their own pizzas and discovered where all the ingredients came from. I have heard very happy reports from the children who enjoyed their trip. Today, Year 3 went to Hadleigh where they spent the day as Stone Age people and learned all about their way of life. Although I am yet to see them, I did see some happy Stone Age children before school today who were very much looking forward to their trip. Year 6 also went to Crucial Crew today at The Paddocks, Canvey Island. It is a multi-agency event designed to deliver personal and safety messages to young people. They had a great time and felt that they learned much about different aspects of keeping safe.

#### New intake

On Wednesday, our new children joining the Montgomerie family came to their final settling in session before they start in September. They spent the morning with Mrs Le Marie and met Miss Hodey, who will be teaching EYFS on Thursdays. Miss Hodey also managed to meet the children of Year 1 as she will be teaching those children on Fridays next year when they are in Year 2.

#### Our visitors

As you are aware, Montgomerie had some special visitors this week – Ofsted inspectors Joan Beale and Paul Hughes and HMI Wendy Varney. They commented on your wonderful children and remarked on how polite they were at all times. We look forward to sharing the report with you as soon as it is published. Due to the Summer break, there is a chance this may not be until September. I'd like to thank you for your on-going support. The children, staff, governors and school community did us proud.





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## Race for Life

Just a quick update on totals... The office staff have been busy counting the sponsor money brought in with forms and, including our online donations, so far we have raised a **WHOPPING £1367!** If anyone has any other forms and sponsor money still lurking at home or you would still like to donate online, there is still time! The link is <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/montgomerieprimary>.

## Dinners

We will be on Week 3 menu from 10<sup>th</sup> July. On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July, Children's Favourite is Sausage in Yorkshire Pudding.

## Weekly Attendance

The national expectation for attendance is 96%. The government has clarified the position regarding the term 'regular' attendance. It means that children must be in school **every day**. Please remember, every second counts at Montgomery. **We must work together to improve attendance.** 3 classes out of 7 were sadly below national this week. A definite improvement on last week, well done!

EYFS	96.67%	Above national! Well done!
Class 1	95.00%	Almost at national
Class 2	97.00%	Above national! Well done!
Class 3	93.58%	Below national
Class 4	97.33%	Above national! Well done!
Class 5	86.79%	Below national
Class 6	98.06%	Winners! Well done!

A huge well done to - Class 6 who are our winners this week, they will have extra playtime.

It has been a very busy week this week! I hope that everyone has a restful weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Mason  
Headteacher

