



MONTGOMERIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 1

Week beginning 6th September 2021

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EVERY SECOND COUNTS

Respectful. Resilient. Resourceful. Reflective. Responsible. Ready.



IN THE NEWS



First days in school

All the staff were thrilled that the children started back for the Autumn Term happy, settled and ready to learn. It was fantastic to see and we all look forward to a (fingers crossed!) settled school year after two years of disruption due to COVID. It was also wonderful to welcome our newest and littlest members of Montgomery for their first sessions in school. Again, they were so settled and really enjoyed their time with us which was lovely to see.

Year 6 secondary school applications

It was great to get back to some kind of normality and welcome Year 6 parents into school on Tuesday for the Appleton Roadshow. From today (Friday 10th) you can apply for your child's secondary school place. You do this via the Essex Admissions website. Please take time to visit all the local secondary schools for their Open Days before making your very important decision; we are so lucky in our area to have great schools on offer. Also, please remember that the application must be filled in and submitted by 31st October. If you miss this deadline, your child may be allocated a different school to the one you would have chosen.

MORE NEWS

Meet the Teacher

As I said in my ParentMail earlier in the week, we look forward to getting back to holding face to face Meet the Teacher meetings this year; these give you the opportunity to meet your child's new classteacher, learn about the routines in school and what your child will be covering this year and also be able to ask any questions you may have.

Homework

We will be sharing with you in the coming week arrangements for homework. Over the last few years we have trialled various means and have found that paper-based homework seems to be the most impactful. It is still an expectation that children read 5 or more times a week however we will send a more detailed update regarding spellings, English, Maths and project work.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!



CELEBRATE



Montgomery Mentions: Peacock Class, Eliana, Sydnee-Mai, Attenborough Class, Sophia, Evie, Israel, Dylan, Katie and Mason



ATTENDANCE



The national expectation for attendance is 96%. The government has clarified the position regarding the term 'regular' attendance. It means children must be in school **EVERY DAY**. Every second counts at Montgomery. We **must** work together to improve attendance and punctuality even more.

The Royals Class	N/A	N/A
Peacock Class	97.74%	Above national
Curie Class	95.65%	Almost at national
Attenborough Class	99.31%	Above national
Barnardo Class	95.56%	Almost at national
Branson Class	100%	Above national
Luther King Class	99%	Above national
Whole School this week	97.99%	Above national
Whole School to date	97.99%	Above national

