



Spring is Here



The weather may seem to be telling us otherwise but the learning that I have seen at Morningside this week shows that spring is definitely on the way. Our EYFS children have been fascinated by the caterpillars that they are observing in each class. Reception children told me that they have been looking for different birds at the Forest School. We have also had eggs that hatched after a few days. The children were delighted to meet the chicks, took very good care of them and learnt all about these creatures before they went back to the farm on Thursday.

Last week we had special assemblies to celebrate our successes in reading. The children who had read five new books received their bronze certificates and everyone was praised for their excellent home-reading records. Thank you for supporting your child. Everyone at the school is working hard to ensure that we practise and improve. The teachers are looking forward to speaking to all parents over the next few weeks.

You will receive a text and an email letting you know when your phone call will be. I hope that we will be welcoming families back into school in the very near future. In the meantime all of our Covid-19 safety measures are still in place and the staff continue to do an excellent job in keeping our children safe. I hope that you have a good weekend.

Best wishes
Janet Taylor



Important Dates

Half Term

Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June 2021

Sports Week

Monday 14th – Friday 18th June 2021

INSET Day

Monday 21st June 2021

Summer Fete

Friday 4th July 2021

Spelling Bees

Monday 19th – Tuesday 20th July 2021

Value of the Week

Empathy

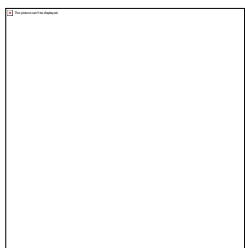
Phrase of the Week

Cierra la Puerta



Close the door





School Term Dates

2020/2021

Check school term dates

School calendar for 2020/21



Autumn Term

- ✓ Start - Thursday 3rd September 2020
 - ✓ Half Term - Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October 2020
 - ✓ Friday 18th December 2020
- Total days = 37 + 35 = 72

Spring Term

- ✓ Start - Monday 4th January 2021
 - ✓ Half Term - Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February 2021
 - ✓ End - Thursday 1st April 2021
- Total days = 30 + 29 = 59

Summer Term

- ✓ Start - Monday 19th April 2021
- Half Term - Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June 2021
- Friday 23rd July 2021

Public Holidays

- ✓ Friday 25th December 2020
- ✓ Monday 28th December 2020
- ✓ Friday 1st January 2021
- ✓ Friday 2nd April 2021
- ✓ Monday 5th April 2021
- ✓ Monday 3rd May 2021
- Monday 31st May 2021
- Monday 30th August 2021

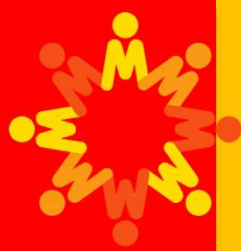
Inset Days

- ✓ Thursday 3rd September 2020
- ✓ Monday 2nd November 2020
- ✓ Friday 18th December 2020
- ✓ Monday 4th January 2021
- Monday 21st June 2021
- Friday 23rd July 2021

Morningside Highlights

19/04-07/05/21





Children's Centre



We are enjoying The Very Hungry Caterpillar story and it is encouraging us to be very young scientists. The story has encouraged us to be curious and look at things very carefully and use magnifying glasses.



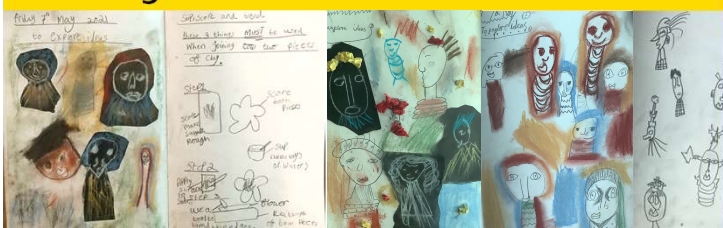
What's been happening in the Morningside community?

At the forest, Reception climbed trees, hunted for mini-beasts, made organic paint and spotted back different types of birds. It was great fun.



Year 1 have enjoyed learning all about primary and secondary colours as part of their new painting topic. We mixed primary colours to create our own new secondary colours.

Year 2 learnt how to make characters run a race using Scratch Junior. Once we had learnt the skills in a farmyard context, we created our own ideas and even learnt how to change the colours of our characters.



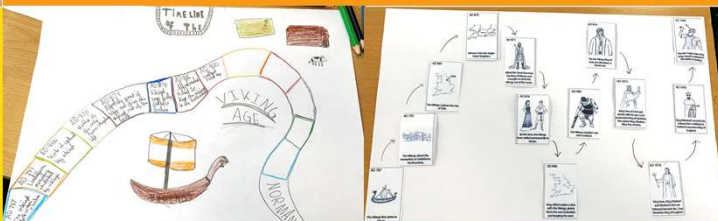
As part of the Art and DT, Year 3 got creative with their sketchbooks this week. They began designing ideas for their 3D ethnographic sculpture heads that they will create next week.

To wrap up their Ancient Romans topic, Year 4 have been making some fantastic posters to show off our knowledge. Please have a look at some of their fantastic work.



Year 5 became Anglo Saxons this week as we recreated the invasion of the British Isles and learned about the different factors that could have influenced each tribe's success. It helped us to understand how the heptarchy formed and the relationship between the many different tribes at the time.

We challenged Year 6 to get creative with their timelines of The Viking Age. They have been really enjoying learning about the Vikings and have been very focused in their topic lessons this week.



Celebration Awards

Stars of the Week



Star Writers



Celebration Awards

Star Readers



Reading Roadmap Awards



Celebration Awards

Star Mathematicians



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Celebration Awards

Timetables Rockstars





Get your child's voice heard and make a difference

The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, is launching a once-in-a-generation review of children's lives.

It's called 'The Childhood Commission' and it will identify the barriers preventing children reaching their full potential and propose policy solutions to address them.

At its heart is 'The Big Ask' – the largest ever consultation held with children.

In this survey the Children's Commissioner is asking children and young people what they think is important for their future and what is holding young people back. The Children's Commissioner will use what children and young people tell her to show the Government what they think and what they need to live happier lives.

It's an exciting opportunity to help us think big and it's a chance for every child in England to have their voice heard.

[Find out more and take part](#)



School Uniform

Information regarding Morningside Primary School Uniform dress code

Uniform with the Morningside Primary School's logo can be purchased online via the [school shop](#) website and then collected from the main office. Any other items such as trousers or skirts can be purchased from any shop.

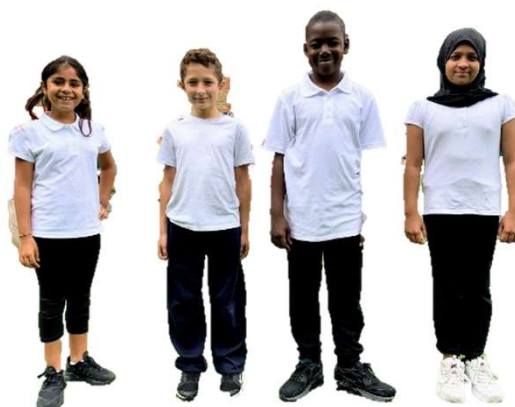
School Uniform:

- Navy blue jumpers (with school logo) – £9
- Yellow polo t-shirts (with school logo) – £8
- Black/ Navy trousers or skirt
- Plain black shoes/ trainers
- Plain black/ navy or white socks/ tights



PE Kit:

- Plain white t-shirt
- Black/ Navy shorts
- Black/ Navy tracksuit bottoms



Additional Items:

- Plain black/navy headscarves
- Book Bags - £6



Scan QR code to launch Morningside's Online Shop to purchase the school jumper, yellow polo shirts, and book bags



Safeguarding Children

Information regarding Safeguarding & Child Protection at Morningside Primary School and Children Centre

Our prime responsibility as a school is to ensure that all children are safe.

Safeguarding can be defined as:

"The process of protecting children from abuse or neglect, preventing impairment of their health and development and ensuring they are growing up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care that enables children to have optimum life chances and enter adulthood successfully."

School plays an important role here. For Morningside Primary School it means that we have procedures for the following:

- Child Protection
- Behaviour
- E-Safety
- Visits
- Incident Management
- Risk Assessment
- Allegation of Abuse
- Child Absconding
- Information Sharing
- Medical Needs
- Supervision

A copy of our Child Protection policy is available from the school office and the school website.

If you have a concern about a child's welfare, please report it to a member of staff immediately



Scan QR code to read Morningside's Safeguarding & Child Protection Policy



Key people and their responsibilities are as follows:

Sheena Khangura (Deputy Head)

- Lead Officer for Safeguarding and Child Protection (NCSA)
- Designated Lead for Looked After Children (LAC)
- Inclusion Leader

Janet Taylor (Headteacher)

Deputy Lead Officer for Safeguarding and Child Protection

Rachel Smith (Assistant Head)

E-Safety Officer

It is important to avoid any coaching of a child during a disclosure. Any early discussion with the child should, as far as possible, adhere to the following basic principles:

- Listen** to the child, rather than directly question him or her
- Never** stop a child who is freely recalling significant events
- Make a note** of the discussion, taking care to record the timing setting and personnel present as well as what was said

Report any concerns to a member of staff straight away – never delay to inform the relevant officer.



Information

If there is any other information that you would like please get in touch. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

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