



The Morningside Messenger

Morningside Primary School and Children's Centre Newsletter

A Super Start



Morningside children have made a super start to the new academic year. Our new friends in Rainbow Nursery, Nursery and Reception have settled in well and we are all familiar with the new routines as well as delighted that parents and carers can now come in to drop-off and collect the children.

The Morningside [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) are regularly updated with photos and information about the learning that we are doing. I strongly suggest that all families follow us on these media and have a look at our website when you have a moment. The login details are on the last page of the Mag.

At the weekend, Morningside children took part in two fabulous carnival events. There was a "flash mob" outside the Hackney Town Hall on Saturday where our dancers amazed the crowd and then a stunning performance.

"Wonderful to see Morningside taking centre stage at Hackney Carnival Gala with TARU Brazil to celebrate the Colours of the World."

- Mayor of Hackney, Philip Glanville



Take care and stay safe.

Janet Taylor

Important Dates

Black History Week

Monday 18th – Thursday 21st
October 2021

Half Term

Monday 25th – Friday 29th
October 2021

Parent Meetings

Tuesday 9th November 2021

Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 15th – Friday 19th
November 2021

Governing Body Meeting

Monday 15th November 2021

Kench Hill Trip

Tuesday 23rd – Friday 26th
November 2021

No Pens Day

Wednesday 24th November

Value of the Week

Helping Others

Phrase of the Week

Bienvenido de nuevo



Welcome back



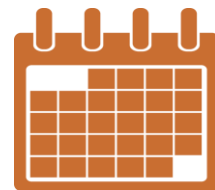


School Term Dates

2021/2022

Check school term dates

School calendar for 2021/22



Autumn Term

- ✓ Start - Wednesday 1st September 2021
- Half Term - Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October 2021
- End - Friday 17th December 2021

Spring Term

- Start - Tuesday 4th January 2022
- Half Term - Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February 2022
- End - Friday 1st April 2022

Summer Term

- Start - Tuesday 19th April 2022
- Half Term - Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June 2022
- End - Friday 22nd July 2022

Public Holidays

- Saturday 25th December 2021 (Monday 27th December 2021 substitute day)
- Sunday 26th December 2021 (Tuesday 28th December 2021 substitute day)
- Saturday 1st January 2022 (Monday 3rd January 2022 substitute day)
- Friday 15th April 2022
- Monday 18th April 2022
- Monday 2nd May 2022
- Thursday 2nd June 2022
- Friday 3rd June 2022 (Platinum Jubilee bank holiday)
- Monday 29th August 2022

Inset Days

- ✓ Wednesday 1st September 2021
- Friday 22nd October 2021
- Tuesday 4th January 2022
- Monday 27th June 2022
- Friday 22nd July 2022



Drop Off and Collection from September

Year Group or groups	Drop-off	Collection
Nursery (am and full time)	Nursery gate at 9am	Nursery gate at 12pm or 3.30pm
Nursery (pm)	Nursery gate at 12.30pm	Nursery gate at 3.30pm
Reception	9am-please enter through the large blue gates. You may bring your child to the classroom or say goodbye in the playground	3.30pm -please enter through the large blue gates and wait for your child outside the classroom
Year 1	8.45-8.55am enter through the large blue gates (you may bring your child to the classroom during their first week in year 1)	3.30pm-enter through the large blue gates and collect your child from the classroom
Year 2	8.45-8.55am-please enter through the large blue gates in the front playground. Children go up the blue staircase	3.30pm- enter through the large blue gates and collect your child from the green (2M) or blue (2S) staircase
Year 3	8.45-8.55am-please enter through the large blue gates in the front playground. Children go up the blue staircase	3.30pm in the front playground. Enter through the large blue gates
Years 4-6	8.45-8.55-please enter through the back gate.	Back playground at 3.30pm. Please enter through the large black gates
After School Clubs		4.30pm in the front playground. Club leaders will bring the children down and hand them over to parents at the small blue gate in the front playground
Playcentre		4-6pm please ring the bell next to the small blue gate in the front playground



Prices for Extended Day activities from 1st September 2021

Years 1-6	Cost
School lunches	£2
Breakfast Club	£2
Play Centre 3.30-5pm	£5
Play Centre 3.30-6pm	£7.50
After School Clubs	£2
Early Years	Cost
School lunches	£2
Breakfast Club	£5
Play Centre 3.30-5pm	£7.50
Play Centre 3.30-6pm	£10.00
After School Clubs	£2



School Uniform

We encourage children to wear school uniform at all times.

- All uniform items must be labelled clearly with the child's name and class
- Uniform items with the school logo can be purchased online via the school shop website and then collected from the main office – prices below
- All other uniform items can be purchased from any high street shop such as *Asda, Marks & Spencer, Primark* etc.
- Girls who choose to wear a headscarf for religious observance must wear a plain **black**, **grey** or **navy** scarf
- Pupils are not permitted to wear jewellery (except for a watch and a pair of small stud earrings)
- Pupils are not permitted to wear make-up (including lip-gloss) or nail varnish

Uniform: Reception to Year 6

Item	Description	Price of items with school logo
Sweatshirt or jumper	Navy blue	£9 or £11 depending on size of sweatshirt
Polo shirt	Yellow	£8 or £10 depending on size of polo shirt
Trousers or School shorts	Black , grey or navy trousers or school shorts	
Dress or skirt	Black , grey or navy skirt or pinafore dress Yellow or blue gingham school dress	
Tights	Plain black or navy tights	
Shoes	Plain, flat, closed-toe black shoes or trainers	
P.E. Kit	Plain white t-shirt Black , grey or navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms	
Book bag	Navy	£6



Yellow polo shirt



Navy blue sweatshirt or jumper



Grey, navy or **black** trousers



Black, grey or **navy** skirt or pinafore dress



Yellow or **blue** gingham school dress



Grey, navy or **black** school shorts

P.E Kit



Plain white t-shirt



Black, grey or **navy** shorts or tracksuit bottoms



School book bag



Scan QR code to launch Morningside's Online Shop to purchase items with the school logo such as the **school sweatshirt, yellow polo shirts, and book bags**



We welcome our new pupils to Reception, Nursery and Rainbow Nursery





Children's Centre



In Rainbow Nursery we
grew the vegetables,
then picked them, then
prepared them and
then eat them!



Amazing learning at MORNINGSIDE



This week in Nursery we had lots of fun learning new songs, playing instruments such as the tambourine and making sounds with our bodies in our music lesson.



This week in Reception, we have had lots of fun developing our fine motor skills with *playdough*, using pencils and sticking things.



Year 1 loved working on their self portraits. We looked at the work of Frida Kahlo to help and inspire us.

In Year 2, we used soft pastels to draw our portraits. We practised all our features in the sketchbooks and used our photographs to help us.





Amazing learning at MORNINGSIDE

The children in Year 3 really enjoyed learning about the different functions of the human skeleton and the purpose of joints.



In our Science lessons, Year 4 have been investigating friction. We went down the slide whilst sat on cardboard, plastic, paper, and wool. We know that objects slide faster when there is less friction between them. Which do you think was the fastest?

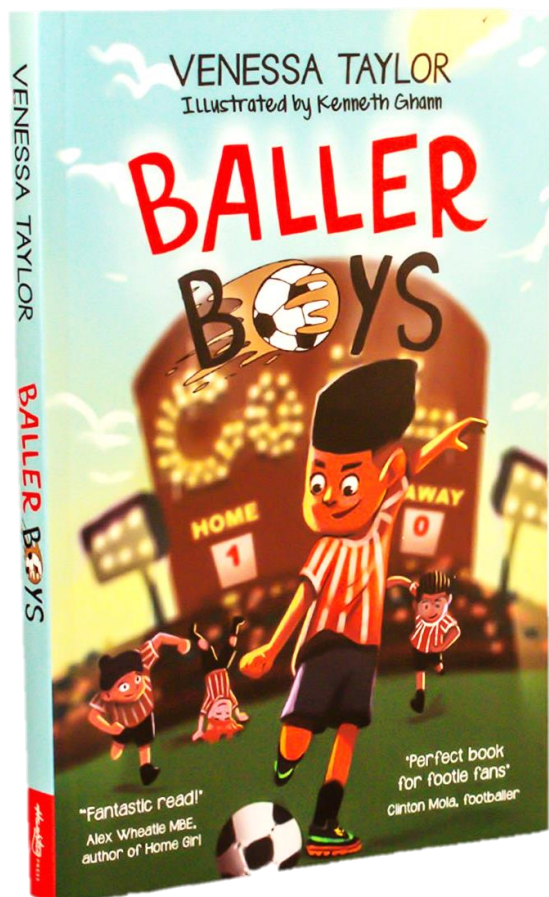
Year 5 have been using *playdough* to help understand forces. We looked at friction, air resistance, gravity as well as push and pull forces.



Year 6 are learning about electricity as part of science. We have been creating circuits. We were challenged to light up a bulb using just foil and a battery. It was fun creating such a simple and basic circuit and talking about conductors.



Venessa Taylor visits Morningside!



Morningside was visited by the author of Baller Boys. Venessa Taylor visited the key stage 2 and year 2 classes and answered lots of questions, created new football celebrations and spoke to the children about being an author. The children were particularly inspired as Venessa used to be a pupil at Morningside in the 1970s.



"I had the pleasure of stepping back in time when I visited my old primary school, Morningside, in Hackney where I delved into their archives & found some 40 year old pics of myself. It took me back to my 11 year old self that loved school & loved reading"

– Venessa Taylor



"Year 4 loved their visit from author Venessa Taylor this week. She read them a chapter from her book Baller Boys and even told us what Morningside was like when she was a pupil here herself. We are looking forward to reading Baller Boys 2!"

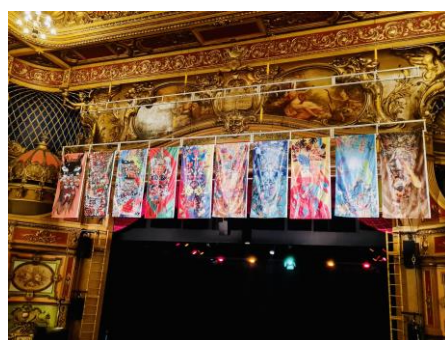
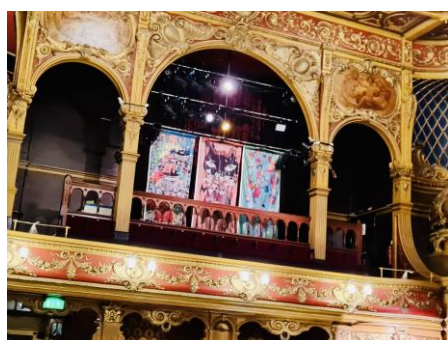
–Ms Ruth

"Year 5 loved meeting Venessa Taylor, the author of their story time book Baller Boys, today. You can see them here interviewing one of the main characters in the story."

– Mr Ayres

"Year 6 were so inspired by our visit from Venessa Taylor in reading this morning. We can't believe she used to be a pupil in our very own classroom. Maybe one of us will grow up to be an author one day. Thank you so much!"

– Ms. Immy



Celebration Awards

Stars of the Week

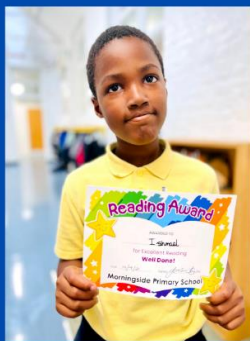


Star Writers



Celebration Awards

Star Readers



+ Star Mathematicians



Celebration Awards

Above & Beyond



MARVELLOUS ME PARENTS

MarvellousMe is a fun and motivational tool that supercharges family conversations about school and helps your child do better.



Why you should use MarvellousMe

- ★ MarvellousMe helps you to talk more easily with your child about school and practise topics together.
- ★ MarvellousMe helps you to celebrate your child's good work and reinforce the positive behaviours and values that teachers are encouraging and praising in class.
- ★ Your child will be happier, more confident and motivated, and do better when they know that you are connected with their teacher and receiving positive updates.

'At the age of 7, parental influence on learning is 6 times that of the school.'

Professor Charles Desforges,
'The Impact of Parental Involvement, Parental Support and Family Education on Pupil Achievements and Adjustment.'

'Parent engagement is one of the most effective ways of improving test scores, boosting character development and confidence, and helping children become more powerful learners. The more parents and children have good conversations about their school day, the better pupils achieve.'

Bill Lucas, Professor of Learning at the University of Winchester and co-author of 'Educating Ruby'.



Getting Started

Your child's teacher will give you a unique MarvellousMe parent join code. You need this to use the app. It's best to download the MarvellousMe parent app from the **Apple** or the **GooglePlay** store.

- 1 Download the MarvellousMe parent app.
- 2 Enter your 6-digit parent join code.
- 3 Tap 'Sign up'.
- 4 Enter your name, email and make up a password.
- 5 Tap 'Sign up'.
- 6 Log in.

If you don't have a smartphone or tablet, you can sign up and log in via **www.marvellousme.com**. Please use Chrome as your Internet browser.

The app is very easy to use. Just tap on the icons to find your way around. There's a walk-through video and Help Centre at **www.marvellousme.com**, if you need any help.

Tips for parents



'Activities' tell you what your child is learning, 'Badges' tell you why the teacher has praised your child and 'Messages' keep you up to date. Think of them as conversation starters to everyday questions like: 'What did you learn at school today?' 'Were you good?' 'Have you got any messages?'

Use your new insight wisely and prompt conversations with your child at different times, such as when travelling, over dinner or at quiet times together. It's natural for children to want to unwind and play after school.

Show the MarvellousMe app to your child. It will help them to reflect on their learning and feel proud of the teacher's positive comments.

'Hi5' the teacher every time they send you an update, so they know you are engaged.

Add another child to your app by tapping 'Add Child' and entering their join code.

Share you app with family and friends by giving them the same parent join code that you used, or inviting them in 'Settings'. They will then be able to enjoy the instant updates as well.

You did very well today!

Lets practise...

Raise FREE donations for

Morningside Primary School

every time you **shop online**

Find us on **easyfundraising.org.uk**

morningsideprimaryschool

4,300 online sites will give us a free donation
when you shop with them - at no extra cost to you!



Download the easyfundraising App





Free Swimming

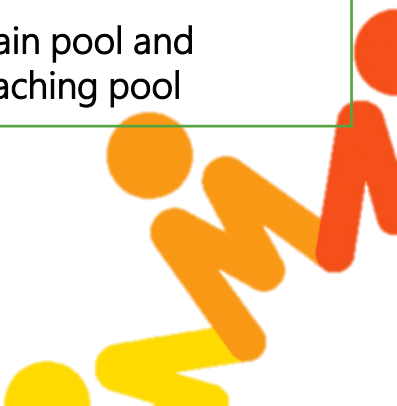


FREE SWIMMING IN HACKNEY

If you're a Hackney resident and aged under 18 or over 60, you can enjoy free swimming at selected locations with a pay and play membership card. Swimming sessions include access to a number of the main and teaching pools, as well as splash decks, flumes and toddler water in the brand new Britannia Leisure Centre.

FIND YOUR NEAREST POOL

<u>Britannia Leisure Centre</u> Pitfield Street N1 5FT Main pool and teaching pool Toddlers water, splash deck and flume	<u>Clissold Leisure Centre</u> 63 Clissold Road N16 9EX Main pool, teaching pool and toddlers water	<u>King's Hall Leisure Centre</u> 39 Lower Clapton Road E5 0NU Main pool and teaching pool
---	--	---





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.

Contact Information



Morningside Primary School and Children's Centre
Chatham Place
London
E9 6LL



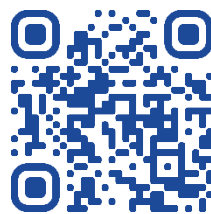
020 8985 5382



admin@morningside.hackney.sch.uk



www.morningside.hackney.sch.uk



Scan QR
Code to
launch
school
website



Executive Principal: Sian Davies



Headteacher: Janet Taylor



Follow us on Instagram
[@morningside_hackney](https://www.instagram.com/morningside_hackney)



Follow us on Twitter
[@morningside_ps](https://twitter.com/morningside_ps)