Friday 21th January 2022

Important Dates

Chinese New Year Workshops Monday 31st January – Friday 4th January 2022

> Year 6 Debating Competition

Happy New Year!



The Spring term has got off to a flying start; it has been so lovely to see the children back in school and so enthusiastic about their learning. There are so many exciting topics in school at the moment, from amazing artwork based on Vincent Van Gogh to our super scientists learning about wind in Year 1. Our Year 2 children have started their African Drumming lessons. They are having so much fun.



We have lots of exciting new ideas for the playgrounds this term. We are introducing new areas, activities and resources to develop the children's play experiences. At the moment, everyone is enjoying playing with the tyres. The children are so creative, finding so many different ways to use them. There will be lots of great new things appearing in the playground soon – ask your children all about them.

We continue to have a number of positive Covid-19 cases in school. We are following all of the control measures outlined in our risk assessment and are constantly reminding the children about good hand hygiene. If your child shows symptoms of Covid-19, please ensure that they have a PCR test and inform the school.

COVID-19

Phrase of the Week

confidence

invierno



and recorders. Please ask at the office about these and other clubs, if you would like to book a place for your child/ren.

We have limited spaces available in several clubs including choir

Take care and stay safe **Janet Taylor**











Thursday 3rd February 2022

Number Day Friday 4th February 2022

Safer Internet Day Tuesday 8th February 2022

Half Term Monday 14th - Friday 18th February 2022

Value of the Week

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

Inset Days

- ✓ Wednesday 1st September 2021
- Friday 22nd October 2021
- Tuesday 4th January 2022
- Monday 27th June 2022
- 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 20<mark>22</mark> (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





Children's Centre











In Rainbow Nursery, we have been exploring different countries and this week we landed in India.

We explored different herbs and spices.

We used our sensory skills and cooking to smell and feel them!



Amazing learning at MORNINGSIDE



Nursery have been having fun finding cupcakes that have matching patterns and counting how many cupcakes we have each.

This week in Reception we have been looking paintings by Vincent Van Gogh. We looked closely at his paintings Starry Night and Sunflowers and tried to paint in the style of the artist. We thought carefully about the colours we used and how we used our brushes to apply the paint.





Our Year 1 scientists wanted to find out if the wind always blows the same way. We made predictions. We made wind socks and then we took them outside. We discovered that the wind blows in different directions.

In Year 2, the pupils are learning all about the importance of the church to Christians. They have recently been learning about baptism, and were able to role-play a baby's baptism independently.





Amazing learning at MORNINGSIDE

In Art, Year 3 have been learning about the different ways to paint a watercolour wash. We looked at the paintings of Makeda Bizuneh and Paul Klee and began to identify some of features of their style to use in our own work.





Year 4 have been learning about Earth's seven continents. The students worked in teams to list as many countries as possible, and then investigated which continent and hemisphere they were in.

Year 5 have been the debating pull and push factors of moving from rural areas to more densely populated urban areas.





Year 6 participated in an epic "Battle of the Beaks" on Monday as part of their science learning. After learning about Darwin's finch observations in the Galápagos Islands we considered how different beaks could have evolved to suit different birds' diets and environments.

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Celebration Awards

Star Readers















Star Mathematicians













Celebration Awards





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We are delighted to be taking part in Number Day on Friday 4th February 2022.

Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it. We will be having a fun day of maths activities and we will be taking part in Dress up for Digits. Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme. We'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event. We're really looking forward to all the fun of Number Day, and we really appreciate your support.

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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

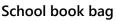














Scan QR code to launch Morningside's Online Shop to purchase items with the school logo such as the school sweatshirt, yellow polo shirts, and book bags



Physical Education

Vision: Physical Education is taught across the school by specialist coaches from **BADU** Sports. Through the use of coaches, we hope children are able to increase their knowledge regarding the rules of sports, the importance of team work and how fitness affects the body. We also desire that children find enjoyment in sports and display good sportsmanship when faced with challenges.

Curriculum

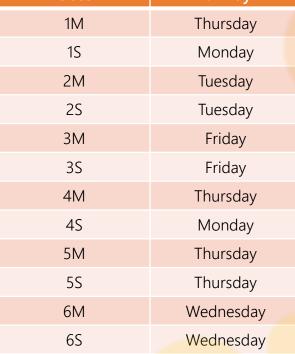
Children across the school are taught net games i.e basketball, netball and football alongside dance, gymnastics and yoga. In the summer, they focus on fitness and athletics as well as games such as rounders and cricket.

The skill focus changes across the year groups to ensure progression as they go up the school.



Scan QR code to see Curriculum Overview PE 2021

Class	P.E Day	
1M	Thursday	On days that the class has
15	Monday	PE, children should come
2M	Tuesday	
20	Tuesday	school wearing their PE kit







School Meals

Morningside has a wide selection of delicious food to cater for all of our children's needs including vegetarian and Halal options

Lunch times

This year, there are different lunchtimes for each year group in order to facilitate social distancing and thorough cleaning of shared spaces. Children eat their lunch inside and then go outside to play.

Payments

School lunches are £2 per day or £10 per week. Payments for school meals need to be made on Parent Pay. Please visit the school office if you require account details or would like help setting up your account.





Scan QR Code to pay for school lunch via ParentPay

Universal Infant Free School Meals

The government enables every child in reception, year 1 and year 2 in statefunded schools to receive a free school lunch. For more information on how this works please visit the gov.uk website.

Free School Meals

Applying for free school meals can save you hundreds of pounds a year. If you think your child may be entitled to free school meals, please complete the form.



Scan QR Code to apply for school free meals via Hackney Education

Packed Lunches

It is important for children to be given a healthy packed lunch each day. A balanced meal makes a child alert and ready to aim high with their learning. Please do come and talk to us if you would like some ideas about how to provide healthy meals for your child.

Water

Water is available in the dining hall at lunchtimes and in the playground during playtime. We encourage children to drink freely at these times.



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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