

# MORETON SAY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL ADDMORE FEDERATION - 'TOGETHER WE ADD MORE' **Executive Headteacher: Mrs Kim Stokes**

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# **Christian Value for November: Courage**

Being brave & strong; doing something that is scary; being confident to express our own views; standing up for others; speaking up.

### Message from the Head:

#### Wearing masks in the Car Park

I expect that many of you, like me, are disappointed but not surprised at the new lockdown measures that will be in place from Thursday this week. We will continue to follow the guidelines for schools and our own risk assessments to keep all our school community as safe as possible.

Having reviewed our safety procedures over half term and in the light of the worsening national picture, we are now asking parents to take an extra safety step: to wear face masks at drop-off and pick up if you get out of your car. This is to protect staff from over exposure to adults and allow them to keep as safe as possible and continue to serve their community. Staff will also be wearing face masks to and from the car park. We thank you in advance for your co-operation

#### Activities and Dates for this Half Term

Staff worked hard on the PD Day to plan for the half term ahead to make it as 'normal' as possible for the children We have entered all our planned events on our website calendar for you to view - see bottom of the home page. Many of the events have further information if you click on them. I have also listed the events on a dates list at the end of this newsletter for your information, in case you haven't accessed our new website yet.

https://www.moretonsay.shropshire.sch.uk/

As you can see from the dates list, we have planned an exciting schedule of activities for this term - and at school Christmas is definitely not cancelled!

There are several dates in the calendar for non-uniform days and donations, in line with the usual national campaigns: Children in Need, Christmas Jumper day etc. so remember to make a note of these. Where possible, the admin teams will try to send you a text reminder too, but Covid has seriously increased their workload, so this may not always be possible.

# **Parents' Evening**

I know by the time you read this, that many of you will already have had your 'virtual' Parents' Evening. Well done to those of you who have managed to download the new website app and book your own Parents' Evening slot. For



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those of you having difficulties thank you for persevering new technology I know can be a challenge, but we hope will be more efficient and useful once set up. If you are still having difficulty logging on, please contact the office and we will do our best to help you. We can also book Parents' Evenings for you if you call us.

#### Communication

Parents were sent a **link** by email yesterday, to our **Harvest** Celebration video. Staff have worked hard to bring this video together - great teamwork from across the federation. My thanks to everyone for their contributions. We are very proud of all the children – we hope you enjoy their contributions.

From this week, Nursery and Reception parents will start receiving email links to photo updates from their child's teacher, to keep them in touch with their progress.

Parents of the 'Stars' of the Week' in each class will be invited to join our Teams Worship on a Friday to see their child receive their award.

We hope that these things help you feel a little more in touch with what is still going on in school. I know when my own son was little, his favourite phrase when I asked him what he had been doing at school that day was, 'I can't remember', but with a little careful questioning he could remember.... 'What did you play today? Did you do some writing?' 'What did you do in Maths? Your topic is about..... What have you learnt about....?' Topic grids and homework activities have been sent out via email to keep you up to date with what your child is learning and to help you frame your questions. These will also appear on our website class pages by the end of the week.

# Many thanks for your ongoing support **Mrs Stokes**

#### Staff Vacancies

2 cleaners required at Moreton Say:

- Key holder/cleaner 2.25 hours per day @ £9.12 per hour, 4pm-6:15pm
- General cleaner 2 hours per day @ £8.72 4:15pm-6:15pm

Contact Moreton Say school office in the first instance, who will put you in touch with the cleaning contractors.





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FOREST SCHOOL

| Date                    | Time     | Year Group      | Activity                                | Venue              |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| November                |          |                 |                                         |                    |
| Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov | 3:30-5pm | Classes 1, 3, 4 | Parents' Evening                        | Microsoft Teams or |
|                         |          |                 |                                         | telephone call     |
| Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup>   | 3:30-5pm | Class 2         | Parents' Evening                        | Microsoft Teams or |
|                         |          |                 |                                         | telephone call     |
| Fri 6th                 |          | Whole school    | Harvest Donation Day – all donations    | School             |
|                         |          |                 | welcome                                 |                    |
| Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>     | 1:30–2pm | Whole school    | Shropshire Music Service interview with | School             |
|                         |          |                 | Guitar Specialist, Tim Kitcher          |                    |
| Mon 9th                 | 3:30-5pm | Classes 1, 3, 4 | Parents' Evening                        | Microsoft Teams or |
|                         |          |                 |                                         | telephone call     |
| Mon 9th                 |          | Whole school    | Remembrance Mini Topic Week             | School             |
|                         |          |                 | Interfaith Week                         |                    |
| Wed 11th                | 10.40    | Whole school    | Worship for Remembrance                 | Microsoft Teams    |
|                         |          |                 |                                         |                    |
| Wed 11th                | 3:30-5pm | Classes 2, 4    | Parents' Evening                        | Microsoft Teams or |
|                         |          |                 |                                         | telephone call     |
| Thurs 12th              | 1-5pm    | Class 2         | Parents' Evening                        | Microsoft Teams or |
|                         |          |                 |                                         | telephone call     |
| Fri 13th                | All day  | Whole school    | Children in Need, children to wear own  | School             |
|                         |          |                 | clothes for a donation                  |                    |
| Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>    | All week | Whole school    | Anti-bullying Week                      | School             |
|                         |          |                 |                                         |                    |
| Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>    | All day  | Whole school    | Odd Sock Day – Anti-bullying            |                    |
| DECEMBER                |          |                 |                                         |                    |
| Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>     | Am       | Whole school    | Christingle Celebration                 |                    |
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| Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>     | All day  | Whole school    | Post box for Christmas cards opens for  |                    |
|                         | ,        |                 | children                                |                    |
| Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>    | All day  | Whole school    | Christmas Jumper Day                    |                    |
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| Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>    | Pm       | Whole school    | Post box for Christmas cards closes for |                    |
|                         |          |                 | children                                |                    |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>    |          | Whole School    | Video to parents of our Nativity play   |                    |
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| Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>    |          | Whole school    | Children's Christmas lunch              | School             |
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| Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>    | Pm       | Whole school    | Class bubbles Christmas parties         |                    |
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| Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>    |          | Whole school    | Break up for Christmas                  |                    |
| JANUARY                 |          | <b>↓</b>        |                                         |                    |
| Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>     | All day  |                 | PD Day                                  |                    |
| Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>    |          | Whole school    | Children return to school               |                    |







