



MORETON SAY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
ADDMORE FEDERATION – 'TOGETHER WE ADD MORE'

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NEWSLETTER



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:

I hope that by now you have found our school calendar at the bottom of the home page our new school website and you can see the events we already have planned leading up to Christmas. <https://www.moretonsay.shropshire.sch.uk/>

In addition to the events listed we have also booked a **panto** for the children. As we are not able to visit the theatre this year, we have organised to view an online panto. (We haven't finalised our viewing date, which is why it's not on the calendar yet). This online viewing also includes a live question and answer session with the pantomime dame – which should be fun for the children. We are planning some extra treats in school on the day (e.g. popcorn etc.). If you'd like to know more, check out the website <https://pantoonline.co.uk/>.

We are grateful that, traditionally, the PTFA have subsidised our trip to the panto. We are very aware that the PTFA's coffers are dwindling as a result of not being able to fundraise during the pandemic this year. We know that this is a financially straining time of year at the best of times, with charitable giving events also in this half term, including Children in Need, Remembrance, Christingle for the Children's Society and Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children but we would be grateful for parental contributions to this event if you are able. The cost to the school is approximately £2 per child. These donations are entirely voluntary, and the online panto will be going ahead whatever contributions are made as we want the children to enjoy this Christmas more than ever during this difficult time.

Thanks to parents for their kind words relating to our Remembrance Video and to those parents who have been invited to our Celebration Worship to see their **'Stars' of the Week'**. It has been extra work for staff to get these things up and running, so we're glad you are enjoying them. We have also had positive comments from Reception and Nursery parents about their weekly 'wow' photos.

It has been a challenging few weeks, with more staff and children needing to isolate. My thanks once again to staff who have stepped up to cover for absent colleagues. Thank you also to parents for your continued support. Keep safe. **Mrs Stokes**



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Class 1

Reception and Nursery have had a busy few weeks celebrating, Remembrance, Bonfire Night, Children in Need and Diwali and have produced wonderful artwork to capture these celebrations. We made Pudsey biscuits and even joined in with Joe Wicks P.E Challenge. Reception have been using the story 'Stickman' to enhance their writing. The children have sequenced the story and written some adjectives to describe Stickman

Class 2

As part of our 'Fighting Fit' topic this term we have started to look at where our food comes from. We enjoyed a food tasting session in Science and then calculated how many miles each item had travelled. We were shocked that our bananas had travelled over 6000 miles! Jamie told us that at his farm shop they only sell food that is either grown on the farm or produced locally. Next week we will be looking at healthy lunch boxes and planning our own, by looking at all of the different food groups and finding out why a balanced diet is important.

Class 3

Class 3 have really enjoyed our mini topic about the World Wars. We have learnt a lot and the children even had a go at an air raid siren drill in class! We listened to the siren being played and took up the brace position under the tables until we heard the all clear. It really made us think about what life was like for children during the Second World War. We have created some fantastic artwork which is displayed around school.

Class 4

Class Four have started our new topic 'Britten's got Talent' and learning about the impact the musician Benjamin Britten had on music. We were then fortunate enough to speak to Tim from Shropshire Music Service about his experiences of learning instruments and performing in a band. We enjoyed hearing about his experiences and the challenges of learning to play an instrument! We have also been learning about life in World War 1 and World War 2. We learned not only about the lives of the soldiers who battled on the front line but also learned about the lives of the families left behind too. We realised just how much people sacrificed so that we are able to have our freedom today.



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



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