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Dear Parents / Carers and Children,

How lovely it was to meet many of you at the FOMS and the Parent Council 'social' evening on Wednesday. I remain very impressed by the wonderful parental support at Morgans school. There is a real willingness to give of time and expertise to ensure our school gets even better and such support will allow the school to take on even more ambitious projects in the future. I would really like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who contribute so much to the school and who have been incredibly supportive during this period of transition.

So this week at Morgans School has been like all the others – busy!!! Our Year 4 children enjoyed wrapping themselves in rugs and getting faces painted in order to experience a day in the life of a real Celt! I hear they all had a super day at Celtic Harmony Camp and the behaviour was exemplary – that even includes the adults!!!! Our football and netballers also played fantastically, winning 7-0 and 12-0 respectively against Watton on Thursday. – well done teams.

I know you would be disappointed if I wrote to you and didn't mention the library! Well, the end is in sight – we are having an official opening on Friday 18th November @9:30a.m. and you are all very welcome to attend – the School Council will be leading the proceedings and it will be a way of recognising all those who have contributed in some way and showing appreciation for our wonderful new school library. Refreshments will be provided and you will have the opportunity to view the new and exciting resources. A new program 'Junior Librarian' is being introduced to enable books to be scanned in and out. This electronic method will be more time efficient for the staff and so I would ask for any help/support at any time of the school day to get books put on the system. If you have a free hour or two your help would be much appreciated. We hope to be able to start this process of converting towards this system towards the end of November.

And so we move ever closer to Christmas – please remember to load those boxes from home with goodies to donate to our Christmas Fair – I am told it is a super event! I am just looking forward to having that little word in Santa's ear!!!!

Finally to those of you attending firework displays I hope you have an enjoyable, happy and safe evening.

Yours sincerely *Clare McFlynn*



FOMs/Parent Council Meeting Details



The summary report presentation delivered by the FOMs at this week's social evening (though seemed to us to resemble an AGM?) has been added to the school's website. It can be found under 'PTA' 'FOMs AGM.' If you were unable to attend the meeting please have a look through as this summarises the money raised last year and details expenditure to date. The meeting was very positive and with over 30 parents present may well be the most attended 'social' Morgans has had! It was great to see so many parents wishing to find out about and contribute towards the future development of the school. Thank you to all Parent Council members and FOMs for their sterling efforts and continued support of Morgans as we move towards their next event and Christmas!!!

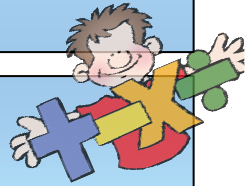
Brief Notices...

School Shoes

Now it is becoming wetter, just a reminder... black school shoes or plimsolls should be worn at all times inside the school and not boots. Boots may be worn outside only. Thank you.

Parental Supervision

The school can only be responsible for the safety of all children between the hours of the school day. Before and after school on the playground the children are the responsibility of you as parents. This is why the trim trail, pirate ship in Key Stage 1 and other potentially dangerous places are out of bounds. The vast majority of our parents ensure the behaviour of their children is consistent with the school's expectations. A small minority however are not taking responsibility for their children's behaviour. When colleagues report children climbing and walking along high walls or standing on the pirate ship roof whilst parents are inattentive it is really disappointing to hear. We would ask for your full cooperation with this matter. Thank you.



Maths Unmuddled...



A good number of our parents recently completed the fourth session of 'Muddle Free Maths' to help them understand many of the mathematical methods and strategies their children are learning in their time at Morgans. The tutor assures us they were an enthusiastic and receptive bunch and that behaviour was 'generally not a problem!!!' Here are a few quotes to show what a great time was had by all:

"Just wanted to say how helpful it has been and how much we have all enjoyed it. Thank you so much for this opportunity to understand the maths the children learn today."

"The sessions have been relaxed and informal. I now understand better the maths my children have been doing at school and am more confident I could help them if needed."

"What a brilliant idea. Have really enjoyed all sessions and feel more confident to help my child with his homework. Any parent who feels intimidated by maths should come on this course!"

Look out for details of future similar events and come along and be involved.



Year 4 Are Harmonious

On Wednesday, our intrepid Year 4 Celtic warriors had a great day visit to the relatively local Celtic Harmony Camp. They had many wonderful first hand learning experiences and returned much more knowledgeable about the Celts. Grain grinding to make flour, pottage cooking and Celtic combat techniques and weaponry all featured.



"The coolest bit was were we had a shield battle and Daniel shouted come on oldies!!!"
Archie Guiver



"The painted blue faces represented a god. I represented horses and chariots. It was wicked!"
Lucy Plum

