



# Morgans Mail



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**Dear Parents / Carers and Children,**

I was very pleased to present quite a few children with their various sports awards and medals in assembly this morning. They are justifiably proud of their achievements and we are very proud of them.

Yesterday I went to visit a primary school in Bicester with several other Hertfordshire head teachers and one of our governors. The school has a Leading Aspect Award for their creative, skills based curriculum. The children were motivated and very proud to show us around their school, pointing out the displays of their work and explaining how they were encouraged to choose which topics they would like to do during the year. It is inspiring to visit other schools to gain fresh ideas, inspiration and also to confirm that we should be proud of our own school and achievements.

We held a coffee morning in the library this morning for Mrs Sales to meet parents of the children in Miss Gardner's Class. Mrs Sales returns to school on 23<sup>rd</sup> March to teach on Tuesdays and Wednesdays following her maternity leave. It was a friendly, informative meeting during which we discussed the merits of holding a regular coffee morning for parents to turn up to discuss a variety of topics with members of staff, the leadership team and governors, although not all at one meeting. Your thoughts and suggestions for this would be welcomed either through the parent council, or emailed to me at: [head@morgans.herts.sch.uk](mailto:head@morgans.herts.sch.uk).

Kind regards

*Sue Dutt*

## Morgans' Magnificents

This week's Morgans' Magnificents were our award winners at Wednesday's Hertford and Ware School's Sports Partnership Awards Evening...

On Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March, the children who had been shortlisted for the Hertford and Ware Sports Partnership nominations attended an awards evening at Simon Balle School. Freya Church was awarded joint winner in the KS1 Effort/Improvement category. All the other children were selected as runners-up in their appropriate categories. Max Fell in the KS2 Effort/Improvement category; Ben Davis in the Sports' Leader category and Y5/6 Girls' Sports Hall Athletics Team in the Team of the Year category.

This is appropriate recognition of all these children's hard work and commitment to sport at Morgans and we look forward to being able to nominate other outstanding candidates for next year's awards.

The awards were presented by Haley Sage who has won a bronze medal in the Commonwealth Games and was eighth in the Olympic Games in the synchronised diving. She is training hard to compete in the individual diving at the 2012 Olympics. Haley went to school at St Joseph's and Simon Balle Schools.



So keep training all you athletes, with hard work and determination it is possible for a local to be good enough to compete in the Olympic Games.

## Bugsy Performance Splurge

On Friday in assembly Year 5 treated the rest of the school to their Hertford and Ware Primary Schools 'Fat Sam's Grand Slam' Dance performance, recently performed at Castle Hall. The rest of the school delighted in this and really enjoyed the spectacle. Well done once more to all involved for entertaining us so slickly and to Miss Gilham for her time rehearsing the humorous choreography.

### **Quiz Night Cancelled**

Unfortunately the FOM's quiz night due for this Saturday has had to be cancelled. The FOM's disco is very much set to go ahead however on the Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Please see the posters around the school for the timings and prices. All Morgans' parents are automatically members of the FOMs, though should you wish to become more actively involved, the existing group of active members would love to hear from you. Their next meeting is at 8:00pm in the White Horse Pub in Hertford on 22<sup>nd</sup> April and a list of key dates are under the 'For Parents' and 'PTA' tabs on our school website.

### **Voucher Collections Once More**

We are once more collecting Tesco 'Schools & Clubs' and Sainsbury's 'Active Kids' vouchers to enable us to gain exciting equipment across a wide range of activities. Please pester any relatives or neighbours who may also help to boost our final totals. Please submit these to your child's class teacher. Many thanks in advance.

### **Image Consent Forms**

Please return your image consent form asap, or if you have mislaid this and need another, please see the school office. Thank you.

### **Top Trumps Triumph**

Ms. Bull the school's 'Generation Green' leader held the first round of her 'Generation Green Top Trumps Challenge' on Monday. More than 160 pupils have signed up and some epic top trump battles commenced. The children were enthusiastic and learnt about many environmental issues into the bargain. Who will be crowned the overall champion and continue to the area finals? Thank you to Ms. Bull for her time and effort organising this. The children (and one or two staff!) thoroughly enjoyed the first round of competition!

## **Bird Box Blitz**

Thanks to your generously donated Mercury tokens and a little wheeler dealing on Mr Sadler's part, we now have 11 rather fantastic new bird boxes to add to the 10 already inhabiting various school trees. A further two were kindly made to add to this number from Shannon in Year 3 - thank you. This means there is one for each class to adopt a tree and tie this in with our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Which bird box will be the first to be inhabited now that Spring (at long last) finally seems to have arrived?!?

## **Indoor Athletes Excel**

On Thursday 11th March, a team of girls entered the Sportshall Athletics Competition representing Morgans at Wodson Park. It was very exciting and there was some tough competition. There were many track and field events such as 4x1 relay, obstacle relay, long jump, triple jump, 2x2 relay, javelin etc. Everyone worked really hard and had a great time! There were some amazing performances, extremely quick relays, long triple and long jumps, high standing high jumps and more! The girls came 2nd out of 6, we just missed out on the top spot by a few points! On the whole, we had a great time, achieved some great things and kept the standard up for Morgans!

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## **All Jumbled Up...**

Next Saturday 10:00-12:00 sees the epic event which is the return of the Morgan's Jumble. Come and grab yourself a bargain and enjoy some refreshments between forages. Lovely jumbley!!!