



# Morice Town Mirror

## Morice Town Primary Academy Newsletter

Autumn Term no.1 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020 [www.moricetownprimary.co.uk](http://www.moricetownprimary.co.uk)

### Term Dates

26<sup>th</sup> October – 30<sup>th</sup> October Half term

### Welcome Back

Welcome back all. It has been wonderful to see the children back in school we have missed them all and a special welcome to the new children and families joining us this term. As we approach the end of our first week, I have a few things to share with you.

We have worked hard over the summer planning and re-organising the school to try to ensure the school is Covid secure. So first of all a big thank you for engaging so positively with our new staggered routines in the mornings and afternoons, this has been a great help. Can I just remind you to please arrive promptly for your entry times but not too early. Having too many parents and children waiting around the gates has caused some congestion making social distancing difficult. At the end of the day, we would appreciate you collecting your child promptly leaving the site again to avoid congestion at the exits.

Below is a reminder of the times and entry points:

8.30am Yrs 5 & 6 through the drive gate  
Yrs 1/2 only through the playground gate

8.45am Foundation & Nursery through the drive gate  
Yrs 3/4 only through the playground gate

All parents to leave via Charlotte Street gate

### Exit Times

2.45pm Yr6 to leave via Charlotte St Gate  
Playground gate opened for yr1-2 parents

2.50pm Yr5 follow same route as yr6

3.00pm Foundation leave by drive gate

Yr3 will exit from the door beside yr 1 (**not from the far right end door**)

Yr 4 will leave from the door next to the parent room

### Siblings

Please arrive for your latest leaving child the staff will hold onto their siblings until you arrive.

Siblings of foundation children will be brought up to the new foundation unit at 3.00pm

### Keeping us Safe and the school open.

#### Health Screening Questions

This is the first line of our defence in keeping the virus out of our school. Please do think carefully daily about the statements and do not bring your child to school if you cannot raise a thumb to each statement. The poster is attached to this newsletter.

Social Distancing is still a vital tool in preventing the spread of this virus. Therefore, can I please remind all parents to maintain the 2m social distance between yourselves on the playground. We are also minimising the number of visitors entering the school, so please do not be offended if we refuse you entry. Your child's class teachers will discuss any concerns or worries with you but this may be over the phone or via email. We will send out details soon about how we will conduct parents meetings this term. You can contact your child's teacher either by telephoning the office or use the email addresses below.

[nursery@moriceprimary.co.uk](mailto:nursery@moriceprimary.co.uk)

[foundation@moriceprimary.co.uk](mailto:foundation@moriceprimary.co.uk)

[Year1@moriceprimary.co.uk](mailto:Year1@moriceprimary.co.uk)

[Year2@moriceprimary.co.uk](mailto:Year2@moriceprimary.co.uk)

[Year3@moriceprimary.co.uk](mailto:Year3@moriceprimary.co.uk)

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### Assemblies

I am sorry to announce there will also not be any large gatherings this term, so no special assemblies, PTA events or Christmas concerts. However, we will share some Christmas events with you virtually; again details will follow nearer the time.

### PE

Strictly adhering to guidelines makes indoor PE very difficult so we will conduct all PE outside this term. In order to maximise the limited time available due to the bubble system we will not be getting children changed for PE. Please ensure they have either trainers or plimsolls in school for this.

### Closure of a Bubble

I am sure you will have heard about school's having to close bubbles this week. We are doing all we can to reduce this risk but should we be advised by Public Health to close a bubble sending all the staff and children home to isolate, we will set work for your child for this isolation period. This work will be similar to the work packs we provided during the partial closure. There will be maths, reading and writing activities, plus some topic based work as well. Should we need to close a bubble the work packs will be available to be picked up from the school.

### Water bottles

The water fountains cannot be used under the new guidance. Please ensure your child has a water bottle with them each day and water only in the bottles please. Squash, even sugar free, is acidic and damages children's teeth if they are sipping it over the day.

### Pupil details

We will be sending out the contact and medical details we hold on each child very soon. Please can you check and update these if needed. Especially important are medical details, such as asthma etc. If your child requires medication please ensure your child has brought it in with them with details of its dosage etc.

### Non-pupil day

Non-pupil day Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. The school will close on this day for staff to undertake training delayed from the summer term.

### Future newsletters

All future newsletters will be sent via email so please ensure we have an up to date email address. Please ring the office to update if necessary. Newsletters can also be found on the school website and our Facebook page.

### Finally

In order to keep us all safe and well back at school please remember, hands, face and space. Many thanks J Roberts

