Morley Primary School Newsletter – May 2025

Dear Parents,

As we approach the May half term, we'd like to share some key updates, celebrations and reminders from a very busy and exciting term at Morley.

Year 6 SATS – A Huge Well Done!

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 children for their superb attitude throughout the year and especially during SATS week. Their resilience, effort and maturity were outstanding – a real credit to themselves and our school. Well done, Year 6!

Summer Show – New Venue

This year, our Summer Show will be held in the **Pavilion Suite at Morley Hayes** on **Thursday 17th July**. In previous years, weather has often forced us to reschedule – too wet or sometimes too hot! To ensure we can go ahead as planned, we've moved the event indoors. Due to space, this year's show will involve **Class 2 and 3 children only**. **Class 1** will be hosting a 'Look How I've Grown' class assembly at church next term. Further details will follow early next term.

Upcoming Trips

We have some exciting educational visits coming up:

- **Class 1** will visit the Florence Nightingale Museum on **Monday 10th June**.
- **Class 2** will attend a live performance by The Hallé Orchestra on **Wednesday 19th June**.
- **Class 2 Roman Derby Day** with Richard Felix Monday 7th July
- **Class 3 Crime and Punishment in Derby Day** with Richard Felix at the Derby Gaol – Tuesday 8th July.

Visit from Our Local MP

It was a pleasure to welcome our local MP, Jonathan Davies, to school recently. He met with staff to discuss our early adoption of the national Breakfast Club scheme, road safety and the pylon consultations. It was also a fantastic opportunity to build strong local links, and we're delighted he will return soon to speak with the children directly.

September Class Structure – Transition

As our class structures will change from **September 2025**, we are planning additional **transition opportunities next term** to ensure all children feel happy, settled and confident. More details will follow, and we will work closely with families throughout the process.

Active Week – First Week Back

We will launch straight into **Active Week** after half term.
Key dates:

- **Bikeability for Class 3**: Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th June
- **Sports Day**: Thursday 5th June at 13:30, Horton's Garden
- **Tough Runner Challenge**: Friday 6th June
  In addition, children will be learning about healthy habits including **balanced diets, sleep, sugar, energy drinks, screen time** and more.

Attendance Update

I am pleased to report a strong attendance figure of **97.6%**, which reflects your ongoing support and the children's enthusiasm for school. Let's keep this momentum going into the final half term! 19 children currently have 100% attendance so far this year!

House attendance so far this year:

Broomfield	Rolls Royce	Tissington	Morley Hayes
98.9%	97.6%	97.6%	96.9%

Hathersage Residential – October 2025

Children in **Years 4, 5 and 6** are invited to join our residential trip to Hathersage next year. Please ensure deposits are paid by **Friday 31st May**. If you have any questions or concerns, do contact the school office.

Contact Details – Keep Us Updated

Please remember to inform the school office if your contact details change – particularly phone numbers and emergency contacts. It's essential that we have up-to-date information in case of emergencies.

Breakfast Club – A Positive Start

Our new **Breakfast Club** is proving a brilliant way to start the day – full of smiles, social time and a healthy breakfast. Thank you for your support.

Apetito – New Catering Provider

Our switch to **Apetito** for school lunches has been very well received. Children are enjoying both the quality and quantity of food, and lunchtimes have a positive, sociable atmosphere. A new **SchoolGrid app** will go live next half term to help streamline ordering – thank you for ordering meals in advance.

Boom Reader – Thank You

Thank you to families who regularly use **Boom Reader** to log home reading. This is an excellent tool that helps us track reading and support progress. Your input makes a real difference.

Online Safety – Parent Resources

Our school website now hosts a dedicated section for **online safety**, including a bank of parent guides. We encourage all families to explore these valuable resources and support safe online habits at home.

Access to devices

The world is more digital than ever, and we share most of our updates through ClassDojo. If you don't have access to a device or would prefer paper copies sent home, please let us know, we're more than happy to help in school.

Visit from ACE Derbyshire

We were thrilled to welcome leaders from **ACE Derbyshire** recently. They were blown away by the children's enthusiasm, effort and vocabulary – a true reflection of our curriculum's focus and '**The Morley Feeling**'. A huge well done to all.

Wishing all our families a safe, restful and sunny May Half Term!

A reminder that we return to school on **Tuesday 3rd June**, and we break up for summer on **Friday 25th July**, following our traditional **Leavers' Assembly which will start at 13:30** – children can be collected from 14:30

Warm regards,
Mr Taylor

Key Dates

2nd June	INSET Day
3rd June	Bikeability - Year 5 and 6
4th June	Bikeability - Year 5 and 6
5th June	Sports Day 13:30
6th June	Tough Runner – Church Lawn
10th June	Florance Nightingale Trip – Class 1
19th June	Halle Concert – Class 2
26th June	Transition to new class morning
27th June	Road Safety – Class 3
30th June	Class Photos
3rd July	Transition to new class morning
7th July	Class 2 Roman Derby Day – Little Chester
8th July	Class 3 Crime and Punishment Day – Derby Gaol
11th July	Reports to parents
17th July	Summer Show Morley Hayes – Class 2/3
25th July	Leavers' Assembly 13:30
25th July	Last day of term – Collect from 14:30
8th September	Start of Term