

# Headlines

Morgan's Vale and Woodfalls CE Primary School Newsletter  
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## **Parking**

Please could you avoid parking in car park for the Forest School of Dance when dropping off and picking up children. Unfortunately, parents using these spaces have prevented customers of the Dance School from being able to park which is understandably frustrating and I have been asked to request that you do not park there.

Please can I add the usual plea for consideration in where cars are left and that our neighbours' driveways are not left blocked even for only a few moments.

It is important to the School that we are good neighbours in our community.

## **School Improvements**

There are lots of improvements in and around School that we make that are not immediately obvious and some that are!

The second Pre School room is pretty much complete now that it has had its new flooring and kitchen area with space for the children to have their snacks and do cooking activities.

We invested in more iPads earlier in the year and these are in almost constant use. The Friends Fundraisers have purchased a set of Sphero mini robots so there are enough for a class to use these one between two. As well as being a lot of fun and sparking a new afterschool club, they will help us to teach the control sections of the Computing curriculum. We have recently recycled and repurposed our remaining laptops and netbooks that were 10 and 8 years old respectively. Many will still be able to be renovated and

sent to be used by schools in Africa.

The wooden pencils will be replaced over half term with a metal fence that will enclose a much larger area for Mini Morgans and Swirls Class to use and explore with new additional resources planned to put in it.

We are also hopeful that we are close to resolving a contractor to build our quiet reflective area for children to use during breaks and lunchtimes in the corner of the field between the Library and the Twiglets room. We are also hoping to reinstate the slide and remove the hedge to create more space outside Stripes class.

New blinds will shortly be fitted in the School hall to replace the green/brown fabric ones. These will look smarter and be easier to control and provide a better black out when required.

There is still some final snagging to be completed in the Reynolds Building as we have now been in residence for just over a year. The new cloakroom furniture in the KS2 downstairs corridor has had an immediate effect on keeping this area tidy and ensuring all children have enough space for their things.

## **After School Club**

Our Breakfast and After School Clubs have been very popular and we are looking at extending the length of After School Club to run until 4.30pm instead of 4.15pm. There would be a small increase in charge. Can you let us know if you are an existing user if this would be helpful and also if you do not currently use this club whether this increase in length of time would cause you

to consider using the Club in future.

## **Diary Dates**

**Zig Zags trip to Paulton's Park**  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May

**Ice Cream Fridays**  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May - £1

**May Bank Holiday – School Closed**  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May

**Stripes trip to Roche Court**  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May

**School Photographs**  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May

**Movie Mob**  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May

**KS2 NCTs Week**  
Monday to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> May

**Downton Tennis Club Open Day**  
Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May 11am – 4pm.  
See School Facebook page

**Swirls trip to Moors Valley Country Park**  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May

**Last Day of Term 5**  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May

**First Day of Term 6**  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June

**Spirals trip to Milestones Museum, Basingstoke**  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June

**Bags-2-Schools Textile Recycling**  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June

**TD Day – School Closed**  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

**Sports Day**  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July

**Last Day of Term 6**  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July

**TD Day**  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

**First Day of Term 1**  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September