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# MONTGOMERY NEWS

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Montgomery Primary School | Friday 21st September 2018

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**Thank you to all those who attended our 'Meet the teacher' events. We hope you found them useful and gave you some insight as to what the expectations are for your children next year. The final session for Y6 is next week.**

**This year one of our key school improvement plan actions is to look at vocabulary. This is about the specific use of language to enhance writing as well as trying to introduce children to a greater range of words. We are doing this in a variety of ways e.g., through displays and specific teaching but also on ensuring all classes are read to by the teacher as this introduces children to unknown words and influences their writing. I looked at a range of books this week from throughout the school and a good start on this important aspect of literacy has already been made. Of course, as parents you can help assist with this as reading with or to your child is the important 'homework' that children will ever do. I will keep you posted on how this develops through the year.**

**Jason Edge**

**Head of School**

## Parent Governor vacancy

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We shortly will be sending out some paperwork regarding a parent governor vacancy. Being a governor is a challenging but rewarding role and does require a time commitment both during the school day and early evenings. The purpose of the governing body is to provide overall strategic direction of the school, ensure it is fiscally sound and to act as a 'critical friend'. If you would like to have an informal chat to find out more about the role, please contact Mr Edge through the school office.

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## Andy Tooze visit to Key Stage 2

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Next week we are lucky to have Andy Tooze, a performance poet come to visit Key Stage 2 on Wednesday and Thursday to work with classes. His books 'The Poetry Bug' and 'The Poetry Bug Strikes Again' will be available at a specially reduced price of £5 per book. We will pass on details of how to buy these, next week.

## FareShare

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Montgomery Primary School are now engaging with the FareShare project.

FareShare redistribute surplus food to partners that turn it into meals. They do this through an arrangement with Tesco. Tesco contact school when they have food that they cannot sell as it is near its sell by date, that can still be used, but that they would normally throw away. We can then use the food to support children and families who are in receipt of benefits or who are pupil premium children - those who are eligible for free school meals.

Generally we will be provided with bread, croissants, cake or similar items that can still be used and need to be frozen if they are not to be used straight away. We can sometimes get food like pasta that is near its sell by date. All of the food is completely edible and safe.

As a school we would like to support our parents who might benefit from this food.

If you are interested, please let the office know and we can contact you when we have food. You can ask to speak to Dave Woodland privately to do this if you wish.

It will be our plan to send out an email to parents of children who are pupil premium, with a list of what might be available and it will then be distributed on a first come first served basis.

We will do this discreetly and all we ask is that you bring a carrier or similar to take any items away with you.



## FISH Club

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A reminder that we have a breakfast and after-school club on our site run by FISH.

Breakfast Club - Opens at 7:45am and breakfast is served until 8:15am.

After school Club - Closes at 6pm. FISH will collect children from after school clubs arranged at the school. A snack is provided.

Pricing starts at £3.90. Please contact the school office for more information.

## Parking

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Please be mindful of children when dropping off and picking up by car around the school. This keeps all our school community safe. Thank you.

## Macmillan Coffee Event

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On Thursday 27th September Montgomery is hosting it's third MacMillian Coffee and Cake Sale. We would like to invite parents, carers, grandparents, family members, and friends to join us from 2pm where a drink and cake will be available for a donation.

All money raised will go to Macmillan.

## Dates for your diary

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Meet the teacher: dates as above

10th/11th October: Reception parents evening

15th-26th October: Half-term

26th/28th November: Y1-Y6 parents evening

5th/6th December: EYFS nativity performance

12th/13th December: KS1 Christmas performance

18th/ 19th/ 20th December: KS2 Christmas performance

21st December: End of autumn term

## Contact Us

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*Meet the FoMS!*  
**THURSDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER - 6:30PM**

**Would you like to know a little bit more about what we do and how we help the school?**

**Would you be interested in helping out at events from time to time?**

**COME ALONG AND MEET US IN THE SCHOOL CAFE - REFRESHMENTS & NIBBLES PROVIDED!**

**FOLLOWED BY**

*Friends of Montgomery School*  
**AGM**

**7:30PM IN THE SCHOOL CAFE**

