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Autumn 2015

It has been a busy week of Christmas events with parties, visits from Santa and not one but two delightful concerts. Thank you to the many families who attended our Carol Concert on Wednesday evening. The choirs of Morley and St John's church gave fine renditions of our favourite carols and wonderful readings. Thanks must also go to the Friends of Morley for providing the mulled wine and mince pies.

May I take this opportunity to wish you and your family a wonderful Christmas break and a Happy New Year.
See you all back at school on Tuesday 5th January.

Nikki Brown

3, 2, 1... Blast off!

It has not been just about Christmas this week.

As part of their topics on flight and space Year 2 and Year 5 tuned in to watch British Astronaut Tim Peake blast off into space on a mission to become the first British man to board the international space station. A real 'WoW moment which inspired an afternoon of moon buggy design for Year 5.



'It was a challenge and we had to be resilient, overcoming many teething issues with our buggies but we persevered and worked together.'

A brilliant day was had by all!

Ms Colaco and Year 5

Roald Dahl day in Year 3

Roald Dahl is always a popular choice for young readers and Year 3 finished off their author study by getting into character for a Roald Dahl day. The school was alive with Dahl's characters from Ms Trunchbull to Fantastic Mr Fox. Well done to everyone on putting together such great costumes.

Home school communication

Want to ensure your email gets to the right person? Please address all correspondence to office@morley.cambs.sch.uk with a subject header of 'For the attention of: (staff person's name)'. This way we can ensure that emails are dealt with in a timely and co-ordinated manner. For more information on communication procedures and protocols please see our new [Communications Code](#).

Reminder

Don't forget that Monday 4th January is a staff training day so the first day back after the holidays for all children will be **Tuesday 5th January**.

And now for the not so good news...

Unfortunately Morley was one of a number of local schools [named in the local press](#) which is to be targeted by the police in a crackdown on inconsiderate parking.



It is disappointing that even despite repeated reminders, polite requests and even leaving notices on individual cars there are a small minority of parents who continue to park illegally or inconsiderately. Just this week alone I have had to ask two parents to stop parking in the private resident car park at Morley Court and also to refrain from using the forecourt of a private home as a turning circle!

This is disappointing as this inconsiderate behaviour is not reflective of the vast majority of our school community. When our children work so hard to represent our school so well it would be a great shame if our long standing good reputation were tarnished by a few drivers unwilling to abide by the law or consider others.

After School Clubs

Lunch time or after school clubs offer the opportunity for children to pursue a range of interests outside of school. Many of these clubs are run by volunteers who will be undergoing induction in January. Thank you to all those who have volunteered.

Next term we will be offering a range of clubs including drama, sports, orchestra, choir, coding, cooking and arts. Information on signing up for clubs will go out in the first week of term with clubs generally starting the following week unless otherwise advised. Please be advised that the clubs are to there to provide opportunities for children to develop interests and talents rather than to provide childcare. If you have childcare needs please contact Spectrum, our after school care provider for information on vacancies.

Farewells

We wish Ms Wright (Year 4 teacher) and Mrs Sewell (midday supervisor) farewell today. With a total of **39 years of service** at Morley between them, we think they deserve a break.

Good luck and thank you for all you have done for our children over the past 3 decades.



Coming up...

January

4th - **Staff training day, school closed**

5th - **Term starts**

13th - **Y4 swimming lessons start**

February

15th - 19th - **Half Term**

