

[Planning Approved for School Redevelopment](#)

It is always great to be able to give good news and I am therefore delighted to be in a position to inform you that plans for school redevelopment were approved by Cambridgeshire planning committee this week. Securing consent for this much needed investment for our school is wonderful and we are excited about the prospect of improving premises and facilities for all of our children now and for future generations of Morley children.

The approval also means that those of you who have given so generously for playground redevelopment will soon see the ground being broken to finally get this project underway. We are close to our fundraising target for 2016-2017 and with your help I know we can deliver something really amazing for our outdoor areas. Please watch out for upcoming Friends of Morley fundraising events next term.

Development works are scheduled to begin in just 6 months (Oct 2017) and the aim is to be completed by August 2018. We will keep you up to date with what's happening on the school redevelopment section of our website but for now I would just like to thank everyone whose support, contribution and hard work has helped us to make this happen for Morley - Well done!

Nikki Brown

Cambridgeshire SEND OfSTED & CQC 20th-24th March

Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission will be carrying out a joint inspection evaluating Cambridgeshire's effectiveness in identifying and meeting the needs of children with SEN and/or disabilities. The inspection does not include a visit to our school however all parents and carers of children with SEND are invited to contribute. Please see the letter attached to this week's newsletter for details on how you can do this.

Year three have been exploring different forms of poetry over the last two weeks, today we finish our unit in English by preparing a performance of an Ancient Egyptian Rap! We were certainly impressed with how superb the children were at keeping pace and rhythm throughout their exciting performances to the rest of the year group.

Miss Bell and Mrs Cowdrith



In Ks2 this week, to celebrate Science week, we have turned ourselves into fledging engineers!

We decided this year to do Science week from a Design and Technology and Engineering perspective and so have been designing and building wind mills and wind turbines. In Year 5 and 6 we even managed to consider how the shape of the wind turbines' blades could harness the most wind power from a fan to turn it into electrical output.

It has made us think entirely different about how to collaboratively solve a problem, using logical reasoning and by being able to visualise. It has been a really productive and engaging project which has been really enjoyed by everyone!



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Red Nose Day!
Friday 24th March is Red Nose Day!

This year we are 'Dressing Like a Nose': children are being encouraged to come dressed as one of the nose characters (see attached poster). There is a whole range of characters, from a dog to a DJ, a mummy to a chef and there is, of course, the option of just wearing a red t-shirt! To help us raise money we are asking for a suggested contribution of £1 but please bring as little or as much as you can afford to give – it really is an amazing cause!



Class of the week Burgundy Class



We are class of the week because we have put our hearts and souls into our learning this week.

In English we have performed poetry, thinking about word choices, listening carefully to the sounds of the words.

We have pushed ourselves in our mathematical learning and understanding, learning new ways to apply our knowledge.

We have shown great creativity and imagination in our work in art, using line, shape and colour to great effect, learning some new techniques.

We have pulled together as a team when some members of the class have found things tricky, and have been supporting and encouraging each other to do well.

We know that when things are hard, you have to persevere and keep going!

Well, that's the School Quiz over for another year! Thanks to all of you who came along and made it such an enjoyable evening for us. Much fun was had and we raised £275 for the School association. The champions were gracious in accepting the mantle of organisation for next year and we hear plans are already being made. Here they are demonstrating their 'skills' at the Cheerio Challenge. If you enjoyed the evening, please encourage your friends to come along next time!



Attendance

Well done to Sapphire Class for achieving 100% attendance this week!

Don't forget to complete you Parent Governor nomination form and return it to the school office

Holiday Club

We're running our own Holiday Club again over Easter for 9 days, 3-7 and 10-13 April, 0800-1800. The club is staffed by Spectrum Playworkers so contact the team if you wish for your child to join in the play.

On the celebration tree this week...

Scarlet: Elia, Kyla
Crimson: Marni, San
Burgundy: Hamish, Xanthe, Tomasz
Ruby: Tilly, Dylan, Timo, Sophia
Topaz: Rose Webber
Turquoise: Finley
Jade: Wesley
Sapphire: Arda
Indigo: Sarah Z, Romeo
Amethyst: Fin
Violet: Stephan



Check out the calendar on our [website](#) for events throughout the year



March

21st - Year 3 trip to Fitzwilliam Museum
24th - Year 4 trip to West Stow
24th - Comic Relief Red Nose Day
31st - Last day of term

April

18th - First Day of Term

Please see attached this week's Governors News