

Newsletter – September 2022



Mornant: Heart of the Community
Two languages
Twice the choice and opportunity

Note from headteacher

Dear Parents/ guardians,
A very warm welcome to all at the beginning of a new school year. The children are settling back into school and we are all happy to have them all back as a part of our Mornant family. A special welcome to our Nursery children and new pupils to the school. We hope you will be very happy with us here at Mornant.

Please can we remind all pupils to ensure their uniforms are clearly named, and remind pupils to bring a named water bottle to school daily to ensure they keep hydrated. We are a healthy school and encourage healthy snacks and lunches.

Fruit is available to purchase from school at 25p daily or £1.25 a week.

Parents can transfer money to pay directly for fruit, activities etc by transferring money to school fund – details of which can be received from the office.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Best wishes and keep safe

Mrs. Bethan Jones M.Ed. Headteacher

School Day – Reminder

The school yard is unsupervised until school starts 8.45 am when a member of staff will be there to look after children as they arrive. Children **should not come** onto the yard until there is a member of staff there to ensure they are safe. Breakfast Club is available from 8 am daily. Weekly questionnaires are sent to enable you to book a place for your child.

Dates for the Diary

15.07.22 - School closes for the children

18 - 19.07.22 - Staff Training Days

The nursery will become small groups during the week

01.09.22 - Staff Training Day

02.09.22 - Staff Training Day

05.09.22 - Start of Term - Reception - Year 6 and Group 1 Nursery

07.09.22 - Group 2 Nursery

09.09.22 - Group 3 Nursery

29.09.22 – Show in Character (Key Stage 2)

26.10.22 – **Photographs (Tempest) – Families, individuals and classes.**

28.10.22 - School closes - Half Term

07.11.22 - School opens

19.12.22 –Christmas Parties

20.12.22 – Panto (Reception – Year 6 ??)

22.12.22 -Film and Disco

22.12.22 - School closes for the children

23.12.23 - Staff Training Day

09.01.23 - Staff Training Day

10.01.23 - School opens for the children

17.02.23 - School closes - Half Term

27.02.23 - School opens

31.03.23 - School closes - Easter

17.04.23 - School opens

26.05.23 - School closes - Whitsun/Half Term

05.06.23 - School opens

20.07.23 - School closes for the children -

School Raffle.

Because of our early closure before the summer, we were unable to draw the raffle. This was done by the pupils in school this week and the winners will have received their prizes by now. A huge thankyou to all who gave prizes, and congratulations to the winners. A total of £188.00 was made for School Fund.

Thank you so much also to our Governor John Thompson who has fund raised for the school also and contributed over £1100 towards school fund. We hope to use this money for pupils to design and develop the newly resurfaced playground area over the next few months.

We are thankful to local businessman Robbie Edwards , 'N.Wales e-waste Recycle' for volunteering and rebuilding the kitchen play area in the Infant playground Thank you so much for your time and support.

Changes over the holidays.

The oil storage tank has been removed from the yard- and the surface recovered. This has resulted in a much larger space for the children to enjoy. We will be asking pupils to design / plan games that can be painted onto the new surface over the coming months.

A community defibrillator has been installed with lighting also.

Forest Schools - Tuesdays this year - Foundation Phase children in the mornings and Key Stage 2 children in afternoons with Anti Mary and school staff.

They will begin on Tuesday 13th September for Classes 2 and 3 (years 1-6),
September 27th – for Nursery and Reception also.

Children will need their outside clothers – waterproof trousers and coat, warm hat and gloves for cold days and wellies that can be left in school.

They can come to school dressed in their Forest school clothing if they wish . They will need to have shoes to change into from their wellies. Children will usually have marshmallow and hot chocolate whilst there.

If there are any concerns with clothing or food please let the office know.

Year 6 Leavers 2021-2022.

On Friday of last week we finally managed to meet last year's Year 6 pupils to present them with gifts from Mornant as they move up to the next stage of their education journey. We wish you great happiness and success - Jake, Kyle , Leme May, Megan and Rhys. Thank you for your hard work and contribution to the school over many years. We will miss you, but you will always be an important part of our Mornant family and welcome here.

These pupils were presented with school hoodies, a Maths set, dictionary and trophy keepsake.

School dinners and Free School Meals

Free school meals are provided for Reception pupils from September as well as to those who already qualify for free school meals.

The programme will be extended to include others in Foundation Phase later this year. We will keep you informed of the developing county programme.

Parents of reception children to year 6 have received the menus from school by SeeSaw and email.

If your circumstances have changed and you think you are now entitled to Free School meals, please phone school for additional guidance.

School meal prices are £2.50 a day which is £12.50 a week per child.

P.E. Days

Foundation Phase PE will be on a Wednesday afternoon.

Key Stage 2 PE will be on Friday to begin with

Free String Instrumental Lessons for Key Stage 2 pupils

These will take place on Monday afternoons beginning over the next few weeks. We are thankful to the Thomas Howells Foundation for the opportunity.

Communication with the School

We appreciate the importance of working closely with our wonderful parents and families for the benefit of our children. Please remember that if you have any concerns or worries, let us know through telephone, email to the office or Seesaw. Staff will try to respond to SeeSaw requests between 9 and 5.

We have a new website -

Twitter  @YsgolMornant

Email – office@mornant.flintshire.sch.uk The school's new website is ysgolgybraegmornant.cymru

Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss. Bradley and her partner Rob on the safe arrival of beautiful baby Ethan Wayne. We are thrilled for you and look forward to meeting him.



Launch of new school website.

We are pleased to announce the launch of our new school website. We have relaunched it, and are in the process of updating the information in it. Please bear with us as we do this over the next few months. We hope to like the changes so far. The new address is ysgolgyabraegmornant.cymru

Tesco's Community Grant to benefit Mornant – with your votes.

Mornant has been selected by Tesco in Holywell and Tesco in Flint to benefit from the Tesco Community Grants Scheme. (Flint Express CH6 5HR Express and Holywell Superstore CH8 7AN)

Our application to further develop our trim trail and outside area will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will commence in store from first week of October 2022 and continue until Mid January 2023. Please support us by voting as often as you can. The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive £1,500, the second placed project £1,000 (or the amount that was requested up to this value), and the third placed project £500.

We would really appreciate your support by voting for us at the stores and please share this list of stores amongst your supporters and within your community.

Congratulations also to Mrs. Gwenno Wilson Jones on her marriage during the summer holidays.