

September 2023

# Montrose School

*Achieving, Caring, Aspiring*



**We have had a great start to the academic year!**

Welcome back to the start of another exciting school year. I hope you have all enjoyed a lovely summer break and are looking forward to the year ahead. We are looking forward to working with you throughout the coming year to help your child reach their full potential. We are pleased to tell you that the children have had a fantastic start to the new school year and look exceptionally smart in their uniforms. Thank you for ensuring their clothing and shoes meet our uniform requirements. We still have some good quality, washed, second hand jumpers and cardigans available. Please contact the office if you would like any. We hope you managed to attend the 'Meet and Greet' sessions held at the start of term to find out more about the coming year for your child. If you were not able to attend, the presentations are available on Class Dojo.

## Roald Dahl Day

On the 13th September, school was taken over by a host of mischief-making BFGs, Oompa-Loompas and Matildas in honour of Roald Dahl's birthday. The children took part in lots of marvellous activities themed around Roald Dahl books.



## Severn Trent Water Assembly

Thank you to Mr Warley for organising for Phil from Severn Trent to come in and talk to us all about the importance of our sewage system and how we can best take care of it.



## Jeans for Genes

On Monday 18th we wore our jeans to school to raise money for families whose children might have different needs due to their genes.

## Save the Date...

**4.10.23** - Online Safety Information Session 4pm - 4.45pm (see link later on in this newsletter)

**24.10.23** - Progress Evening 3.30pm - 7.00pm

**26.10.23** - Progress Evening 3.30pm - 5.30pm

**Family Support**  
**Donna is available on**  
**07378 285273.**

## Nursery

The Nursery children have settled well into school life and have been focusing on learning new routines, getting to know the environment and most importantly, making friends. We have spent lots of time singing songs and learning each other's names, alongside learning all about our feelings using the story 'The Colour Monster'. We have become really good at pulling angry faces! We have made the most of the sunny, dry weather by going outside and moving our bodies! Finally, we have been talking all about ourselves and our families through doing drawings and looking at photos!



## Reception

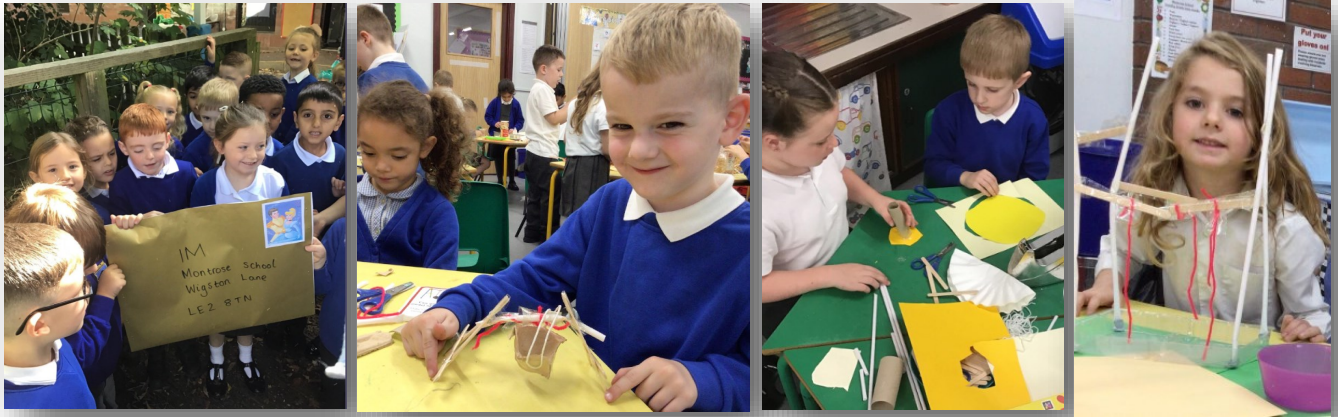
The reception classes have been settling in well over the last few weeks. They have taken part in PE lessons and worked in teams. They have enjoyed playing the PE games and show smiles after the lessons.



## Year 1

The children have all settled really well into Year 1. We started the year by looking at Little Red Riding Hood and we have now moved on to Cinderella, we even received a letter from Cinderella asking for our help! In D&T we have been looking at playgrounds and we have had a go at building different pieces of playground equipment.





## Year 2

Year 2 have had a wonderful start to the year. In English, we have been reading "Meerkat Mail" by Emily Gravett; the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about Sunny's search to find somewhere perfect to live. This has supported our habitats topic in science. In maths, the children have started to learn all about place value and have practiced counting to 100! We have also thoroughly enjoyed Roald Dahl day and the special assembly from Severn Trent!



## Year 3

We have written instructions in English to explain how to trap the Iron Man. In science we have been learning about light and how it travels and how it reflects. We also have looked at Who lives in Antarctica in Geography and learned about Ernest Shackleton.





## Year 4

We have been enjoying learning about lots of different inspirational people in our RE lessons and finding out about the difference they have made in the world and to others' lives. We found out all about Rosa Parks and wrote some questions for her, the bus driver and a man on the bus and 'hot-seated' children in role as them. We were very impressed with the thought given to these questions, showing great empathy and understanding.



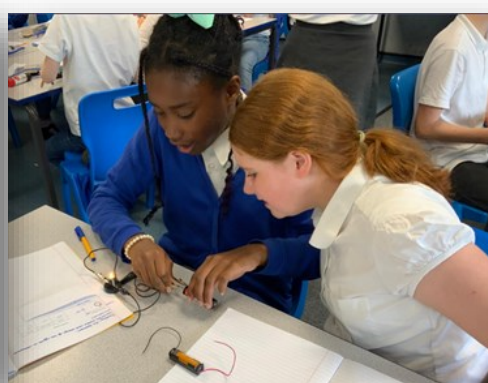
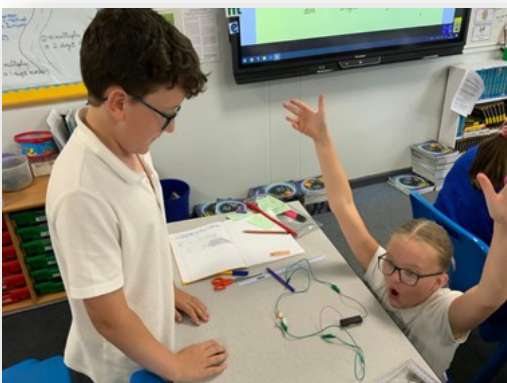
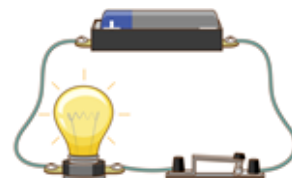
## Year 5

Year 5 have been working hard on their English work to create a character description of Grendel from the Viking story of Beowulf. In Science, we have continued with our Space topic, looking at the relationship between the Earth, Moon and Sun, and creating our very own moving diagrams to show night and day – exploring space seems to be the favourite thing in class at the minute so please feel free to research more at home! We are also working on our D.T topic of African Music by creating our own djembe drums... bring on the papier mâché!



## Year 6

In year 6 our science topic this term is electricity. We have been exploring circuits and learning how to change the voltage and the amount of components.



# Online Safety Information Session

This session is delivered virtually so can be watched from anywhere!  
We will share the link with you privately.

**Current trends –**  
what children are  
doing online and  
what apps/games  
are popular amongst  
children.

**What can you do? -**  
suggestions on how  
you can support your  
child with their online  
lives and what  
parental controls are  
available to help you.

**Further Support –**  
signposting to  
services that are  
available to help you.

**WEDNESDAY  
4TH OCTOBER  
2023**

**4PM – 4.45PM**



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Please find below the link to access the session.

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