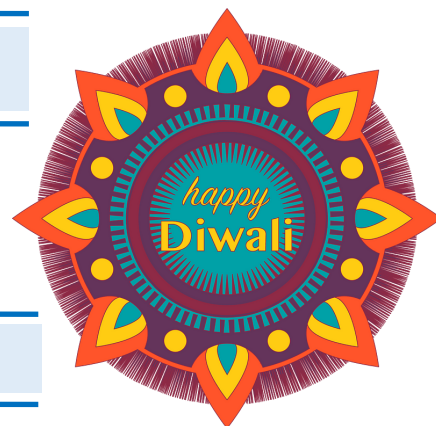


10th November 2023

Montrose School

Achieving, Caring, Aspiring



Wishing our families who are celebrating a very happy Diwali.

Progress Evenings

A big thank you to all who attended our progress evenings at the start of this half term. We had over 80% of our families attending with nearly 500 appointments taking place over the two days!

PTA Halloween Disco

The PTA organised a fantastic Halloween disco for the children. There were lots of creepy costumes and we had a great time! A big thank you to everyone who helped with this fundraising event raising a total of £671.49.

PTA Toast Day



Thank you to everyone who helped and to all who brought money for toast day. We have raised £68.69. Our next toast day is on Thursday 30th November. We also have a Christmas event coming up on Thursday 7th December. More details to come very soon.

Remembrance Day

Remembrance Day takes place on 11 November each year and on Friday 10th, Mrs O'Brien will be leading a special assembly. Poppies have been on sale in school on behalf of the British Legion for a small donation.

Anti-bullying

We begin 'Anti-Bullying Week' next week with 'Odd Sock Day' on Monday. The theme this year is 'Make a Noise About Bullying', encouraging everyone to speak out against bullying.

Behaviour Workshop

Thank you to our Healthy Together School Nurses who ran a behaviour workshop for parents at school. It was a great opportunity for the parents who attended to talk about their children and share advice. There is a 'sleep workshop' on Wednesday 22nd November at 9.00am - 10.30am at school. If you would like to attend then let Donna know.

ESOL Classes

Leicester College are at Montrose School on Wednesday mornings from 9.00 - 10.15am delivering ESOL classes to parents in the mobile classroom on the top playground. Please come along if you would like to join or message Donna if you have any queries.

**Donna, our Family Support Worker,
is available on 07378 285273.**

Flu Vaccinations are on Monday 13th November.
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school code LE120029

Poetry Slam

Well done also to 2W for winning the key stage 1 poetry slam competition with their brilliant performance of Missing by A. A. Milne.

Well done also to 3B for winning the key stage 2 poetry slam competition. The children worked hard at remembering the lines and being in sync with each other. They delivered a powerful performance for the whole school and did not disappoint. As it was black history month, they decided to perform a poem by Maya Angelou called 'Still I Rise' (a condensed version).

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the book fair this year. We sold £1108.85 worth of books which means we earn 50% of rewards, equalling £554 to spend on books for the school.

Eco Team/School Council

The Eco Team/School Council representatives from years 4, 5 and 6 had a fantastic training day at SJNC/Lancaster Academy. They learned about what makes a fantastic school council and took part in loads of super team building games! Well done, team!

Bikeability

Bikeability cycle training equips children with vital life skills. Pupils not only learn to ride safely, they gain independence, social skills and a sense of wellbeing. Year 6 pupils had the opportunity to complete levels 1 and 2 and were awarded certificates and badges.



Sporting Events

Sporting events have started up again and as ever, we are getting involved in as much as possible. Children from Year 1 - 6 have taken part in back to school games events where they needed to use their team work, communication and resilience skills in a number of different sporting activities.

We had a great turn out for our first cross country event and we are looking forward to the next one in December.

A group of Year 5/6 children attended an indoor athletics event where we came in 3rd place and the girls team even won all of their races.

Please keep an eye out for any sporting events that your child might be picked for. Cross country training is every Wednesday lunch time but spare trainers are necessary.





Nursery

We have been learning all about Diwali, the festival of light, and have tasted some naan breads, rotis and poppadoms. We have also been looking at the changes autumn brings and went on an autumn walk.



Reception



Here are some pictures from our autumn scavenger hunt.



Year 1

We conducted an experiment to see which objects float and sink. We made predictions and then tested the objects. We even had a go at making our own boats.



Year 2

We have been writing descriptive sentences in English. In geography we have been deciding whether we would prefer to live in a hot or cold place. In maths we have been adding two digit numbers together.



Year 3

We are learning about colour in our art topic. We are inspired by Frank Marc and replicating his use of primary colours and shades and tints to produce our own artwork. We are using key words such as primary, secondary and tertiary to describe the colours that we have used.



Year 4

We had a fun time making the upper, middle and lower courses of a river for our geography topic. Can you tell which models show which?



Year 5

This term, Year 5 were invited to take part in a series of Science workshops at Lancaster Academy. After a lovely lunch provided by the school, we were lead to the Science lab... where there had been a murder! It was then down to the children to figure out which one of the suspects was guilty, in a typical 'whoddunit' mystery case. We got to look at various KS3 Science topics, such as chromatography, microscopy and using Bunsen burners to test solutions. Both classes had a super time, and are very grateful to Mr Beaumont at The Lancaster Academy for organising the trip.



Year 6

We had two visitors today from Yorkshire Building Society who came to talk to the children about money and budgeting for events. They had to plan a party and work out budgets and whether or not they will make a profit. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and it tied in nicely with our enterprise planning.



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