

Moretonhampstead Primary and Preschool Newsletter

Friday 8th May 2026



Dear all,

Welcome back to the Summer term which is flying along. Across school, the children are really focussed during lessons, we are particularly proud of how hard our year 6 children have been working in preparation for their upcoming SATs tests next week.

We have also been enjoying lots of play, sports and trips. There are lots more dates on the diary below, please make note of what is coming soon!

Little Tors

The children in Little Tors were very excited to receive the first items from their 'Tim's Legacy, Love of Reading' order. They have enjoyed being out in the sunshine sitting in the reading carriages or indoors in the book corner sitting on the new super soft armchairs sharing their favourite stories and listening to new ones. They have started to work in collaboration with each other to develop their story telling skills by using the new hand puppets.



Easdon News

Easdon class had a wonderful trip to Langaford Farm. They went on nature walks, watched an amazing puppet show and even got to make their own puppets. They learnt all about pine martens being reintroduced to Dartmoor and to quote the children 'is there anything better than a pine marten?'



Beckaford News

Beckaford are loving their new book corner where they can settle down and enjoy their books during our daily reading session as well as other times during the school day. They have populated the shelves with books from their A.R. Reading level as well as others they thought looked really intriguing or were an author they really liked.

Freddie did a fantastic job sharing his passion in our new Thursday assembly's passion presentation. He shared his love for gymnastics, running, BMXing and football. He explained the different pieces of equipment he needs for some of his sports and the children asked some really thoughtful questions.



Mardon News

In Mardon, we have been busy planting in outdoor learning. It's been great to tend to our plants and watch them grow. In science, we have been learning about how plants transport water and have set up an experiment with sliced celery and food dye. We'll be checking them to see if the dye has appeared at the top of the celery.

In literacy, we have been writing adventure stories where our main characters have magical items that aid them on their quests, based on the book Arthur and the Golden Rope, and in history, we have been learning about how important the longboat was to Viking seafaring and exploration.



PE Newsletter

We are super excited to launch our PE curriculum newsletter!

The newsletter includes details of learning, past PE events and events to look forward to across the link academy trust.

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Housekeeping notes

Lost Property

With the warm weather we are now seeing an ever-increasing pile of jumpers left at the end of the day. Please ensure your child's jumper has their name in it. We can try to return named items, but most are unnamed and end up in lost property.

Suncream

Please label your child's suncream clearly. Suncream should be left in the classrooms in the children's bags or in the tray in Early years. Children will not be able to carry suncream around the school. Sun hats also need to be clearly named.

Medicines

ALL medicines need to be handed into reception. Medicines can only be handed in and taken away at the end of the day by an adult.

Long hair & Jewellery

Please be reminded that long hair needs to be tied back for health and safety, as well as hygiene reasons. The only jewellery permitted in school is a single set of studs.

Have a lovely weekend,

Kind regards,

Alex Waterman

DIARY 2025/2026	
Mon 11 th May – Thurs 14 th May	SATS week, Y6
Friday 15 th May	Spring Market after school.
Mon 18 th May	Y5/6 Football
Tues 19 th May – Fri 22 nd May	MED theatre working with Beckaford.
Thurs 21 st May	Mardon – Cake Sale
May Half Term Mon 25th to Fri 29th May	
Mon 1st June	Non pupil day
Fri 5th June	Talent Show 2.30 – 3.30pm
Wed 10th July	French visitors
Tues 16th June	KS2, beach clean.
Fri 19th June	Sandy Nightingale artist Y5/6 and Rec.
Fri 26th June	Sandy Nightingale artist Y3/4 and Y1/2
Fri 26th June	EYFS trip to the farm
Fri 26th June	Summer Fayre
Thurs 9 th July	Sports Day
Fri 10th July	Whiddon Down Festival workshop Y4/5
Wed 15th July	Swim Gala
Tues 14th July	Y5/6 performance! – date change
Thurs 16th July	Y5/6 trip and the Y6 sleepover.
Tues 21 st July	Leavers Assembly at 9.30am

