

THIS WEEK AT MORTON ELEMENTARY

Mr. Josh Brooks, Principal
 Tuesday, October 24th 2023

District Webpage www.morton.k12.wa.us

** Personal best * Act responsibly * Work & play safely * Show respect*

DATES to REMEMBER.....

Oct. 25... Early Release Wed. 1:25
 Oct.30-Nov.1..Early Release 12:15
 Nov. 2 & 3.....**NO SCHOOL**
 Nov.3.....End of First Quarter
 Nov. 8.... Early Release Wed. 1:25
 Nov. 10.....**NO SCHOOL**
 Veteran's Day
 Nov. 15.....Early Release 1:25
 Nov. 17.....Breakfast & Books
 Nov. 20.....School Board Mtg 6:00

 Nov. 22.....Early Release 12:15
 Nov. 23 & 24.....**NO SCHOOL**
 Thanksgiving Break
 Nov. 29.....Early Release 1:25
 Dec. 6.....Early Release 1:25
 Dec. 13.....Early Release 1:25
 Dec. 18.....School Board Mtg 6:00
 Dec. 19.....Early Release 12:15

In Today's Packet.....

- Working Memory
- Parent & Me Story time
- Book Club
- Morton Dance Center
Halloween Party
- Brown Mortuary "The
Mortuary Mansion"
- MillTown Trunk or Treat
- List of Audio Books from
Mrs. Wilbur
- **Book Fair Times**
- **Veterans Day Information**

COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR FAMILIES

**Parent and Me
Story Time**

Wednesdays @ Morton Community
Bible Church

**Book Club
Ages 6-12**

Wednesdays @ Morton
United Methodist Church
See today's packet for
more information!

PAJAMA DAY!

On Tuesday, Oct. 31st students
are encouraged to wear
pajamas! No slippers please,
students must wear shoes.
NO Halloween costumes.

CONFERENCE WEEK Oct. 30th – Nov. 3rd

Per the district calendar, we will
have classes for Full Day
Preschool, TK, K- 3rd on
Monday – Wednesday with
early release at 12:15. There
will be NO A.M. AND P.M.
PRESCHOOL.

MORTON PTO BOOK FAIR

Times in Today's Packet!

Monthly Awards Assembly Tuesday, Oct. 31st 10:30 a.m.

Each month we meet to recognize
our student of the month winners
for each class; we also have our
lost and found fashion show for
students to claim missing clothing.
Parents are invited and encouraged
to attend our monthly awards
assemblies, we would love to see
you there!

**LOST & FOUND
PARENTS PLEASE
STOP BY THE LOST AND
FOUND RACK DURING
CONFERENCE WEEK!**

Veterans Day Assembly
Nov. 9th,
1:00 pm Elementary Gym
All are welcome to attend!
We would like to recognize
those individuals of our
community who have served in
our country's military. **We are
asking for your help! See
Veterans Day Stars
paper in today's packet.**

**THERE'S
NO TIME
TO SPARE!**
WEDNESDAYS ONLY!
Free Bowling!
NOW UNTIL 10 PM!

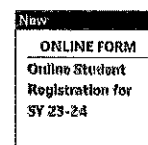
Online Registration

IMPORTANT!

Each student will need to have
the **beginning of the school year
paperwork completed** and this is
done through online

registration.

**WE WILL BE ASKING
PARENTS TO STOP AT THE
OFFICE DURING
CONFERENCES TO COMPLETE
ONLINE REGISTRATION!**



Working Memory

Does your child have problems concentrating? Following directions? Is your child struggling in reading or math?

These may be signs that your child would benefit from working memory training. Short term memory is simply retrieving information. Working memory is retrieving, then juggling or sorting the information in your mind.

A strong working memory is essential for academic success. Training can boost working memory. Our brains, like our muscles, need to be exercised in order to grow. Research shows that spending 5-10 minutes of practice each day for 8 to 12 weeks will improve working memory.

A strengthened working memory and attention skills will help reading, math, and writing skills.

Below are some working memory exercises you can use with your child. Start simple and increase the difficulty over time. Practice numbers separately from letters and the information will be processed and integrated more successfully by your child's brain. Again, a 5-10 minute investment in time each day will greatly benefit your child's learning.

Games

Simon Says- Simon says, "Put your hand on your head." Add to the number of body parts to touch. Simon says, "Put your hand on your head, put your hands on your hips. For older students, instruct your child to ignore the first command and perform the second command.

Clapping Game- Clap a simple rhythmic sequence, have your child repeat. Add more claps, pauses, etc.

I'm going on a Trip and I am bringing... use the alphabet or choose a category for things you might bring. Each player must repeat the sequence of items. For example: Player 1: I am going on a trip and I am bringing an apple. Player 2: I am going on a trip and I am bringing an apple and a banana. Player 1: I am going on a trip and I am bringing an apple, a banana, and a cantaloupe.

Continue through to the end of the alphabet. Or choose a category of items to take: toys, foods, animals....

Memory games- These card games made be purchased or use a deck of cards to play matching games.

Simon- the electronic game

Number sequence games- Start with a single number between 1 and 10 and add a number with each turn. Players must repeat all numbers in the sequence. Example: Player 1: 7 Player 2 repeats player 1's number and adds their own: 7,4 Player 3 repeats player 1's number, player 2's number and adds their own: 7, 4, 9. Continue until a mistake is made and start again with a new sequence.

Making a word game: Start by giving your student a list of three letters.

Ask them to create as many words as they can from those three letters.

For example: R A T words: art, tar, rat

P, A, T words: pat, tap, apt

For older students, add to the number of letters given and ask for 4 or 5 lettered words.

Nonsense word game: Create nonsense word flash cards with Consonant Vowel Consonant word combinations. Use colored ink. Have your child state the color and read the nonsense word. Example: nac, pid, soc, buy, vib

*The above activities are more traditional, technology free suggestions, but if you have access to a cell phone, tablet, or computer, there are many memory games available as applications.

Try these activities at home, in the car, while waiting in a doctor's office. You will find they are fun and educational.

If you would like more ideas or information, please ask your teacher during upcoming conferences.

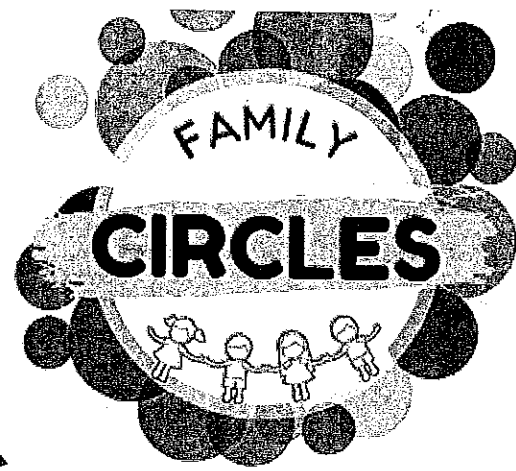
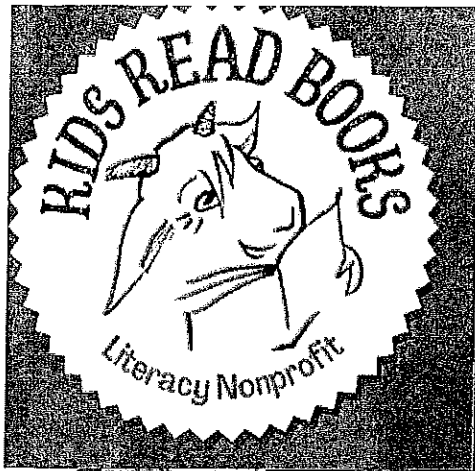
Parent and Me Story Time

Wednesdays from 10-11 AM

Free!!



**Morton Community
Bible Church
150 Division Ave
Morton, WA 98356**



Cooperation In Rural Communities of
Lewis county for Education & Support

BOOK



**Ages
6-12**

CLUB

FREE

Wednesdays

1:30 - 3:30



Christina Brischetto
Youth Services Librarian
17 years experience
512-799-8805
morton.circles@gmail.com

**443 Main St
Morton**

**Starts Oct 18
Join any time**



Morton Dance Center Halloween Party

Thursday, October 26th, 2023

Location: Bob Lyle Community Building

700 Main Ave, Morton, WA 98356

3:00 – 7:00 pm

Dance Performances 5:00 – 5:30 pm

Join us in your Halloween Costume!

ALL AGES
WELCOME

FREE

Games!
Crafts!

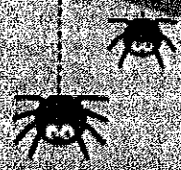
Prizes!



DANCE CENTER
DANCE • YOGA • FITNESS



HAPPY HALLOWEEN



YOU ARE INVITED TO



THE MORTUARY MANSION

PLEASE JOIN US FOR CRAFTS, GAMES, COSTUME
CONTEST, AND OUR NEW HAUNTED MAZE!

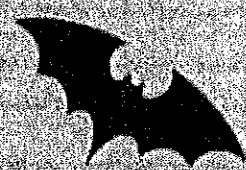
OCTOBER 28, 2023

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

BROWN MORTUARY

812 WESTLAKE AVE

MORTON WA 98356

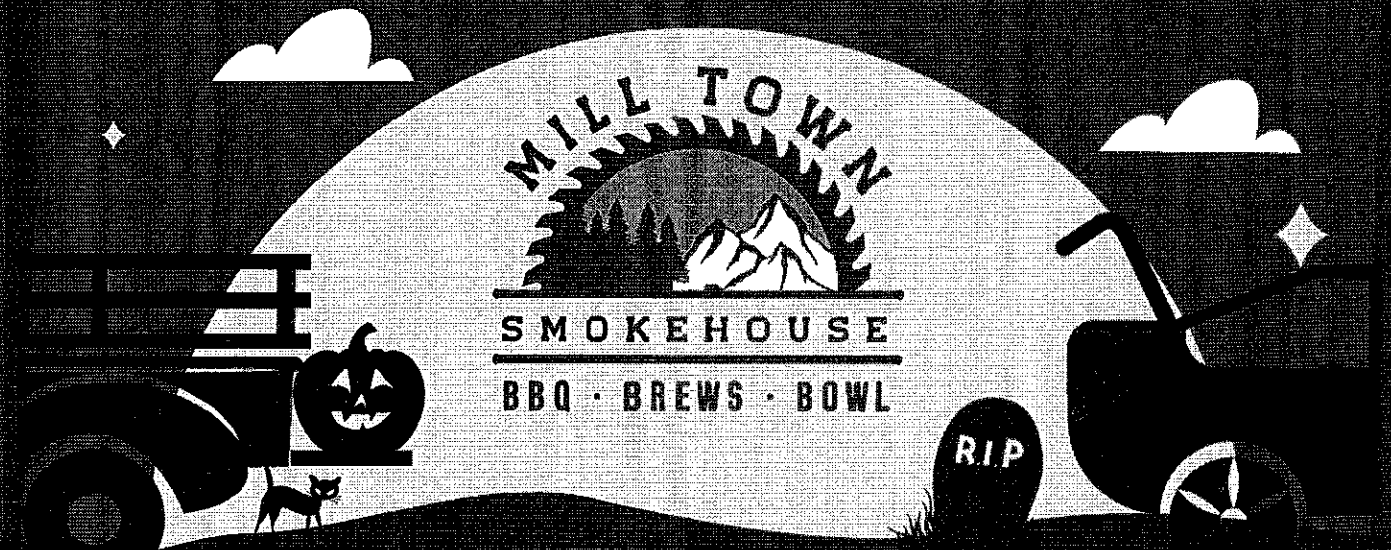


TRUNK *or* Treat

Saturday, October 28th

3 - 7 pm

hosted by



Trunks Galore!

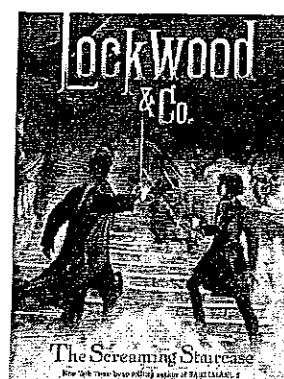
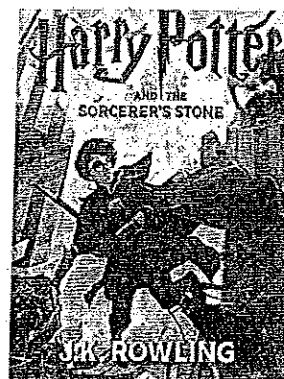
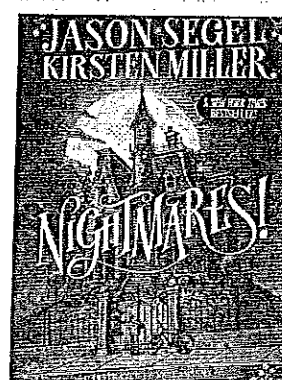
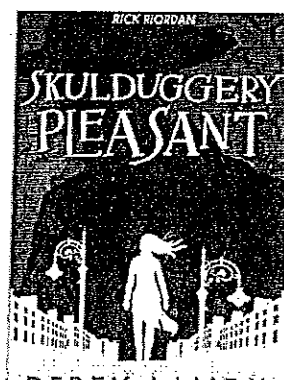
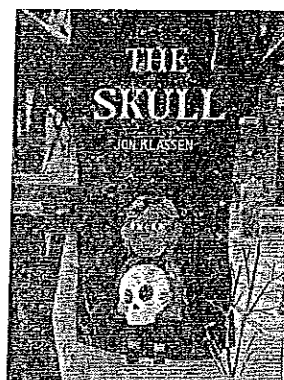
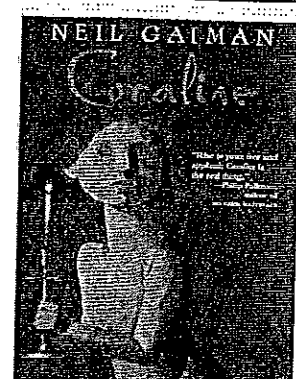
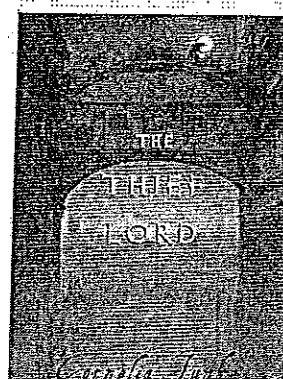
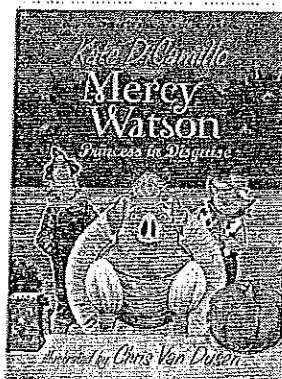
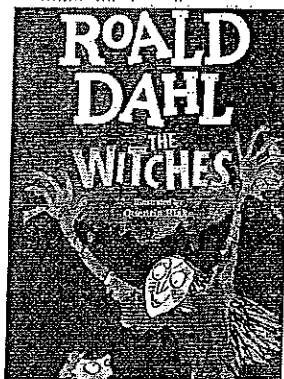
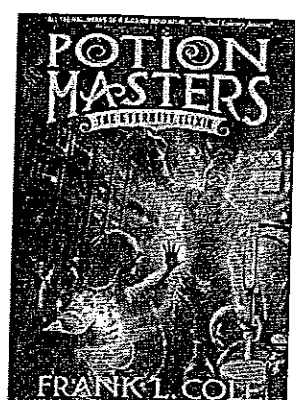
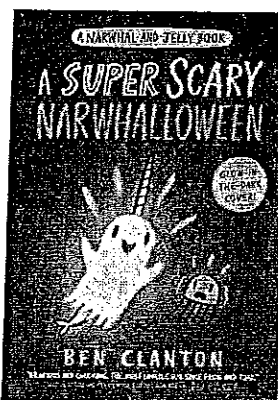
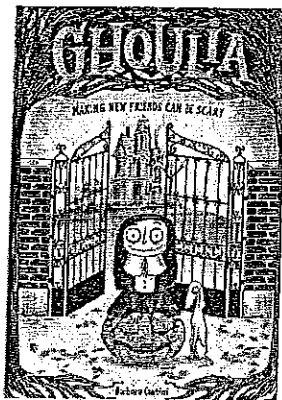
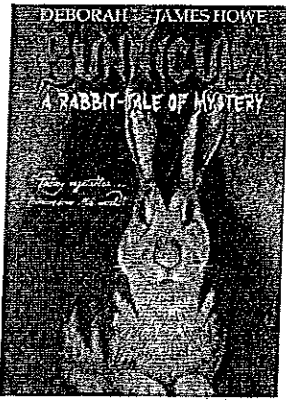
Haunted Hallway!

Come Bowl in Costume!

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834 Westlake Ave, Morton WA 98356
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Want to participate with a trunk? Call 360.492.7157

14 Best Spooky Audiobooks for October



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- Bunnicula (Books 1-3) by Victor Barber
- Ghoulia by Barbara Cantini
- A Super Scary Narwhalloween by Ben Clanton
- Potion Masters by Frank L. Cole
- The Witches by Rhoald Dahl
- Mercy Watson: Princess in Disguise by Kate DiCamillo
- The Thief Lord by Cornelia Funke
- Coraline by Neil Gaiman
- The Skull by Jon Klassen
- Skulduggery Pleasant by Derek Landy
- Nightmares! by Jason Segel and Kirsten Miller
- Dead City by James Ponti
- Harry Potter by J.K. Rowling
- Lockwood & Co by Jonathan Stroud