

MOORLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Together We Can

22nd March 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

4 days until the holidays...

With just 4 days of the Spring term left, what a fabulous term this has been. All the children have been working really hard across the school but we have been really impressed with our Year 6 children who have been working with commitment and determination ready for their SATS next term and for transition to Secondary School. The practise SATS and Assessments have been completed across the whole school and we are rightly proud of all the children who are working to achieve their best.

Other highlights include improvements in the school grounds with easier playground access to help with drop off and collection times. The Year 3 and 4 children have been working hard at the rehearsals on Thursday afternoons ready for their performance of 'Aladdin Trouble'. **We would like Year 4 children to continue rehearsals after school on Thursday 18th and 25th April please.**

Don't forget to come along to our Easter Eggs-travaganza next Wednesday between 9-11. There will be lots of opportunities to find out more about the services that can help and advice you with a range of everyday issues and a chance to meet our friendly Family centre teams. You are very welcome just to come along for a cup of coffee, some cake and a chat. It will be lovely to see you.



A	Internet Safety Team	Neighbourhood Watch	SEND
	Child bereavement UK	Illegal Money Lending Advice team	
	Q:Alliance	School nursing team	Carers MK





Please remember to order your children's school meals by the deadlines in the diary dates at the end of the newsletter or you will have to bring packed lunch after Easter.



No Play Rangers on Tuesday 26th March

Please note that there is no Play Ranger session at Moorland on Tuesday 26th March because of their staff training. We can look forward to warmer, brighter weather and more chances for the Play Rangers to get to enjoy the outdoors. Why not pop along during the holidays to one or more of these sessions. After the holidays, all Tuesday evening sessions will be held at the Tinman now the weather will be warmer.



Year 5 /6 Girls football March – Thursday 28th March

Come along and cheer on the Year 5 / 6 girls who are playing a friendly football fixture after school on Thursday 28th March:

Where: Middleton Primary School (at the astroturf at the end of the playground) When: 4pm – 5.15pm

Good luck! We know you will do us proud.





Ducklings in Reception

Nursery and Reception children have been treated to the wonderful experience of seeing ducklings hatch this week. They watched as the eggs 'moved' in the incubator and their patience was rewarded by seeing fluffy ducklings grow and develop. This is part of their learning about farm animals in preparation for their trip to Thrift Farm in June.



Year 5 Trip to Manor Farm, Chearsley – Wednesday 27th March

The children are looking forward to this valuable learning opportunity at Manor Farm on 27th March. Here are a few reminders about the day:

- The coach is leaving at 9.15 please don't be late for school
- The coach is back at school at 3.20pm- we will text you if the coach becomes delayed
- Please ensure children wears layers tracksuit bottoms or trousers (not jeans or skirts),
- They should wear their school sweatshirt and thick warm socks, a warm hat and gloves and a waterproof coat.
- Your child will need Wellies or strong water-resistant boots AND must bring a pair of shoes to change in to for the journey back on the coach. This is for health and safety reasons as they will be disinfected and washed down at the end of the day.
- Please bring a disposable packed lunch from home. If you have ordered a school lunch, this has been converted to a packed lunch for you.
- Remember your water bottle as we do not have spares.





Welly boot donations

If your child/ren have outgrown their welly boots (however big or small) and they are still in good condition we would be extremely grateful if you would donate them to school for us to use. Thankyou



Bike Safety

It is wonderful that some children are able to travel to and from school on their bikes. But with this **privilege comes responsibility** and bike safety is a priority. There have been some near misses on the roads and at the playground gates. Please make sure that your child knows to get off their bike at a safe space on the path and walk their



bike through the gates. Older children who come to school without adults have been reminded. It would be a shame to stop them travelling to school on their bike each day so your support would really be appreciated.

Thinking of safety of the cyclist. Does your child wear a helmet when they are riding their bike? Accidents can happen, but a cycle helmet could save their life. With the warmer summer months just around the corner and more opportunities to go out on bikes, you might find this poster a useful reminder for you and your child about Bike Safety



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Nursery Open Afternoon – Friday 26th April 1pm – 2.30pm

If your child is born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021 and you are looking for a nursery place for September, then please come along to our Nursery Open afternoon on Friday 26th April to find out what our nursery can offer your child. If you know someone who is looking for a nursery place, please invite them along or ask them to call the school ASAP as spaces are limited.

If you have a younger child, then you are welcome to complete an application form for September 2025 or even 2026 so you don't miss out.



A huge Thank you to Gemma at Tesco's

We would like to express a special thank you to Gemma, the manager at Kingston Tesco's and all her staff for their generosity and support with the events such as the Easter Eggs-travaganza, the Christmas celebrations and Attendance prizes to mention but a few. We really appreciate everything you have done for our children at Moorland Primary School. Gemma has earned a well-deserved promotion within Tesco and moving on from Kingston so we wanted to wish her every success in her new job – we will really miss you.

Holiday Activity (HAF) Vouchers

If you are eligible for Free School Meals, you should have received the Holiday Activity vouchers automatically. Here is the link to the <u>Parents Guide</u> to find out how to book a place for your child at the activities based around Milton Keynes.

Langland Community School are hosting All People Active events in the Easter holidays and Play Rangers are hosting events at the Tin Man Park as well as a wide range of other events locally and across the city. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

Why not have a look at the Parks Trust website today and sign up for some of the events that your children might enjoy: <u>https://www.theparkstrust.com/whats-on-in-your-parks/</u>







Attendance Winners this week...

Well done **Falcons and Foxes**– for their Amazing Attendance this week. Falcons soared in to the lead. But we want all our classes to get into the Green and we hope that you will achieve this in the final week of term.

Well done to everyone who achieved 100% attendance this week, even if the overall class attendance fell short of that you are doing great! If you are on track to achieve **100% attendance for the whole of the Spring term**, perhaps even for both the Autumn and Spring terms, you have done exceptionally well and we are very proud of you. There are just 4 days of this term left, so keep it up!

We really want everyone to be a Moorland Attendance HERO – Here, Every day, Ready to learn, On time. So please help us achieve the success your child deserves.

Lateness = valuable minutes lost to learning. Don't let lateness bring your attendance statistics down.



Attendance for Week Beginning Monday 18th March 2024			
Ladybirds ~ 88.4%	Owls ~ 86.8%		
Hedgehogs ~ 93.9%	Squirrels ~ 93.0%		
Foxes ~ 95.3%	Badgers ~ 90.7%		
Falcons ~ 97.0%	Skylarks ~ 93.7%		
Whole School ~ 92.7%			





Date	Event	
Thurs 29 th Feb until Thurs 28 th March 3pm – 4pm	Aladdin Drama Rehearsals start for children in Years 3 and 4	
Wed 27 th March	Year 5 Trip to Manor Farm, Chearsley	
Wed 27 th March 9am – 11am	Easter Egg-travaganza Coffee Morning - in Partnership with our local Family Centres	
Thurs 28 th March– 3.00pm	End of Spring Term	
Thurs 28 th March – 4.00pm – 5.15pm	Year 5 /6 girls Football at Middleton Primary School – come along and support them	
	Easter Holidays	
Tues 2 nd April	Deadline for ordering school lunches for the week beginning Monday 15 th April	
Tues 9 th April	Deadline for ordering school lunches for the week beginning Monday 22 nd April	
Mon 15 th April – 8.30am	Children return to school	
Mon 29 th April	Class photos – this is a little earlier in the school year than usual. Please ensure your child is wearing their school sweatshirt	
Mon 13 th -Thurs 16 th May	Year 6 end of year SATS test – PLEASE make sure your child attends every day as these are National test dates – more info to follow after half term	
Tues 14 th May	Story Café for Reception parents and children – Sharing a Shell A lovely book about sharing and friendship.	
Fri 24th May – 3pm	End of Term	
May Half Term Holidays		
Mon 3 rd – Tues 4 th June	Year 6 Residential trip – the deadline for outstanding payments is Wednesday 1 st May, but there are interim deadlines for spreading the payments.	
Thurs 6 th June	Year 4 Trip to Ashmolean Museum, Oxford	
Wed 12 th June	Nursery and Reception visit to Thrift Farm	
Thurs 13 th June	Year 3 Proposed visit to Wrest Park	
Tues 18 th June	Story Café for Reception parents and children – The huge bag of worries A great story to remind us all to share our worries and they won't feel so big.	
Wed 19 th June	Proposed trip for Year 2 to Whipsnade Zoo – a letter will be sent out by next week	
Mon 24 th June	Year 1 visit to MK Museum	

Best wishes

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Angela Garner

Headteacher





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ALL PEOPLE ACTIVE EASTER FIT & FED!



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FREE HOT LUNCH & HEALTHY SNACKS INCLUDED! 8th - 11th April 2024, 10am - 2:15pm

Registration 9:45am, pick up 2:15pm FREE SPORTS (football, basketball, boxing, rounders, fitness) DANCE, TEAM CHALLENGES, ARTS & CRAFTS, for 6-14 HEALTH, WELLBEING & NUTRITION EDUCATION HEALTH, WELLBEING & NUTRITION EDUCATION BOOK HERE: www.eequ.org/experience/4147



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