



# MOORLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

*Together We Can...*



20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Half Term Holidays are here

We have just completed the first half of the Autumn term and we are really proud of how much the children have learnt and all their achievements during the first part of this school year. Thank you to all parents and carers who have been so supportive and on board with the new school timings – those extra minutes are making such a difference to your child's progress.

Following on from last week's newsletter which talked about the importance of reading with your children, **we would like to thank our Reception parents** who came along to our Reading Workshop yesterday. It was very well attended and we were delighted with the parents' interest and enthusiasm. Perhaps you could visit the library in Central Milton Keynes over half term and borrow a book and enjoy spending some time reading a book with your child whilst you are there.

## Year 6 Residential Trip to Longridge – Confirmed Dates: Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> -Tues 4<sup>th</sup> June

Plans are well under way for the Year 6 Residential Trip next June and you may remember what a wonderful time last year's Year 6 children had, you can have a look back at the 7<sup>th</sup> July Newsletter on our website if you need a reminder. Parents have been informed about the change of date to 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> June. We know that the children will have a fantastic time and we really appreciate the support of our parents in enabling their child to go on this trip.

## After School Clubs after Half term

We have a range of After School Clubs running after half term for children in Years 1 – 6. Parents were sent an email, but if the places have been snapped up, then why not encourage your child to join the Singing Club on Tuesdays. We would like the children to perform at some the Christmas events we have planned here and at the Community Centre. More Clubs will be organised after the Christmas holidays.



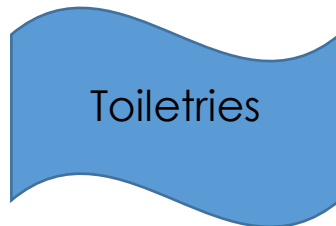
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## Christmas Fayre at Moorland Primary School -

**Save the date: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm – 3.30pm**

We are already making plans for our Christmas Fayre on Thursday 14 December and of course, would welcome donations, nearer the time:



Watch this space for more information on how you can get involved and help us make this a success.

## Year 6 - Applying for Secondary School for September 2024 – Deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> October

If you have not applied for their child's secondary school place, don't delay another minute because the deadline is Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October.



## Nursery Places for children - Rising 3's and 3 Year olds

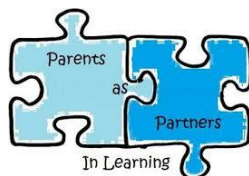
We have a limited number of Rising 3 nursery places for children to start in our nursery in the term that they celebrate their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday; so if your child has or will celebrate their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday between **1<sup>st</sup> Sept and 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2023** or **1<sup>st</sup> Jan and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**, then come and talk to us about starting at Moorland School nursery in January 2024. If you know any families with children aged 2 – 3 years who live locally and who might be interested in joining our nursery, then encourage them to contact us. We would love to show you around and share all the wonderful ways we help your children enjoy their early years.



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## Parents Consultation appointments

Parent consultation appointments will be held between 6<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> November. Your child's class teacher will be in touch after half term to agree a convenient day and time. They are really looking forward to sharing your child's progress and learning with you. We really value your support and partnership - Together we can help your child reach their full potential!



## Dinner Menus after Half Term

When ordering school dinners for after half term, look out for the dates for special themed menus:

7 <sup>th</sup> November	Bonfire Theme menu
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Merry Christmas – join our festive celebrations

## DIARY DATES:

Date	Event
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b> School closed for Half Term Holidays and Teacher Training Day	
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Deadline for ordering school meals for wk. beginning Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	<b>School Re-opens at 8.30am and the deadline for Secondary School applications for Year 6</b>
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Parent consultation appointments – further information to follow
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Individual School Photos

## Fancy Dress Disco at Moorlands Family Centre

Moorlands Family Centre are organising a fancy-dress disco for families on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October, 5pm – 7pm. Tickets cost £2 per person (adults and children) and must be purchased in advance. It includes refreshments - a hot dog, a drink and treats. Parents must stay and supervise their children. You can buy tickets at Moorlands Family Centre. Don't delay because places are limited. (Please see the poster at the end of the newsletter for more information)



**Parks Trust Events:** The Parks Trust organise some fantastic events over half term. Have a look at their website for some ideas to keep your children busy, entertained and having fun.

<https://www.theparkstrust.com/whats-on-in-your-parks/>



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## Hedgerows Family Centre – Half Term events

Families in the Netherfield area can find out more about the events being run at Hedgerows Family Centre over half term.

<https://www.facebook.com/HedgerowsFamilyCentre/?ref=stream>

## Events in the Woughton Area

There are lots of events being organised by Woughton Parish Council – take a look at the leaflets at the end of the Newsletter for some ideas for things to do over half term.

## Lateness and Attendance

Well done, Owls for leaping ahead with an attendance of **95%**. We hope that after the half term holidays, everyone will return to School a **Moorland Attendance Hero** – **Here, Every day, Ready to learn, On time.**

### Attendance for week 16<sup>th</sup> Oct



Ladybirds ~ **80.2%**



Owls ~ **95.0%**



Hedgehogs ~ **88.5%**



Squirrels ~ **89.6%**



Foxes ~ **93.0%**



Badgers ~ **86.6%**



Falcons ~ **86.9%**



Skylarks ~ **93.9%**



Whole school ~ **90.1%**



We hope you have a happy and safe half term break

**We look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 8.30am**

Best Wishes

*Alvarna*

# HALF TERM

## YOUTH PROGRAMME + PUMPKINS

WOUGHTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL YOUTH TEAM  
ARE HOSTING PUMPKIN CARVING FUN SESSIONS  
THIS HALF TERM  
ALONGSIDE OUR USUAL YOUTH CLUBS

**MONDAY** NETHERFIELD YOUTH CLUB NETHERFIELD MEETING PLACE 5-7PM

**TUESDAY** COFFEE HALL CAFE 12-2.PM COFFEE HALL COMMUNITY CENTRE CAFE

**TUESDAY** COFFEE HALL SENIOR YOUTH CAFE NO95 JONATHANS 4-5.30PM

**THURSDAY** EAGLESTONE JUNIORS EAGLESTONE ACTIVITY CENTRE 3.15-4.30PM

**THURSDAY** EAGLESTONE SENIOR YOUTH CAFE 4.45-5.45PM

**FRIDAY**  
EVENT AT THE BARISTA PARK  
1-3PM AT THE PARK ON JONATHANS  
GRAFFITI ART, DANCE & DJ HIP HOP WORKSHOPS  
COME ALONG, JOIN IN THE WORKSHOPS, MEET THE ARTISTS AND HAVE YOUR SAY.  
HOT SNACKS PROVIDED FREE

MOTUS

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
CALL 01908 395681 EXT 2

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# HAPPY HALLOWEEN

ADULTS MUST ACCOMPANY CHILDREN

Corina's  
Cakes & Pastries

DISCO & FANCY DRESS PRIZES

**MOORLANDS FAMILY CENTRE**

**29TH OCTOBER 5 TIL 7PM**

£2 ADMISSION  
INCLUDES HOT DOGS & TREATS  
BOOKING ESSENTIAL @ MOORLANDS



**Christ the Vine Community Church**  
Jonathans, Coffee Hall, MK6 5EG

## Pumpkin Carving

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023

2pm to 4pm

Free

Have fun with your family/group carving a pumpkin of Hope

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Please call or text **07826003220-Charmaine** to book a session or email

[charmaineb.mk@gmail.com](mailto:charmaineb.mk@gmail.com)



### WOUGHTON COMMUNITY CINEMA



DOORS OPEN 1.00PM  
FILM STARTS 1.15PM

FREE FOR  
WOUGHTON RESIDENTS  
AND MKA FAMILIES

PRESENTS:



AT MILTON KEYNES  
ACADEMY  
LEADENHALL, MILTON  
KEYNES MK6 5LA

**THUR 26 OCT 1.00 - 3.10PM**

BOOK  
HERE!

[WWW.EVENTBRITE.CO.UK/E/667621191957](http://WWW.EVENTBRITE.CO.UK/E/667621191957)



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THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER  
 JERK CHICKEN, RICE  
 AND PEAS

11.00-1.30PM  
**BLACK  
 HISTORY  
 MONTH**

AT WUGHTON COMMUNITY  
 COUNCIL CAFE  
 COFFEE HALL

[www.reallygreatsite.com](http://www.reallygreatsite.com)

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 HISTORY  
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WUGHTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE WONDERFUL CONTRIBUTIONS THAT LOCAL BLACK PEOPLE HAVE MADE TO MILTON KEYNES. THROUGH GREAT FOOD, ART, MUSIC, HERITAGE AND BLACK CULTURE.

“ One of Milton Keynes’ leading creatives, Yaw is a Writer, Artist, Director and Cook. It is impossible to use the words ‘Creatives in Milton Keynes’ without mentioning Yaw Asiyama BHMK 21 ”

Thursday  
 26th October  
 6-9pm

Coffee Hall Community Centre. MK6 5EG

**BLACK HISTORY - A CELEBRATION**

**STORYTELLING** **FOOD** **POETRY** **HISTORY**

Yaw has promised to demystify taught Black History with three “How we got here” stories. 50yrs on from London’s displacement. Accompanied by Dairo’s music & great food.

We can fill a page with great reviews about Dairo’s music. Yaw’s food? You simply need to taste it to love it! Three courses of authentic, homecooked deliciousness.

Yaw’s poetry is always from the heart honest & very real. His passion for the spoken word is contagious so be prepared to become a poet tonight.

An exhibition to celebrate 60 Years of UK Dairo’s MBE award for services to music across the commonwealth. The only African Musician to have received this honour

Book through Eventbrite- scan the QR Code  
[www.woughtoncommunitycouncil.gov.uk](http://www.woughtoncommunitycouncil.gov.uk)

**THE COFFEE HALL BARISTA PARK PROJECT  
 MOVING GROUNDS**  
 On Friday 27th October 2023  
 In half term 12-3pm.  
 MOTUS Dance & Woughton Community Council

**MEET THE ARTISTS**  
 What would you like to see in your park?

Litter Pick **INFLUENCE**  
 Music  
 Dance  
 Paint  
 Food

Have your say!  
**GET INVOLVED FREE WORKSHOPS**

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