

# MOORLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Together We Can

24th May 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

# Half Term is here – Happy holidays!

We finish another fantastic half term with much to reflect on and be proud of. As always, I would like to say thank you for all of your ongoing support in making Moorland a very special school to be part of. Our staff team work relentlessly to ensure that our children achieve the very best they can. We are really proud of how determined and resilient our children are - It really is a joy to see them enjoy and achieve in all aspects of their school day.



We have been so pleased to see recent improvements in attendance over the last few weeks, **but what a difference a day can make**. The rain on Wednesday really impacted our attendance for that day. We realise that some underpasses were flooded and the road congestion caught some people out. But how can we ensure our children arrive at school on time, despite the weather? Children still need waterproof coats even in the summer, perhaps even wellies! Keeping an eye on the weather forecast and anticipating the extra traffic by setting off a little sooner. Any small change you can make to your routine will reap huge benefits for your child's learning. Thankyou and well done to everyone who braved the rain to come to school on time.

# Please remember that all children return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 8.30am.

Set the alarm on your phone so you are ready! There is **NO teacher training day** after half term. Remember to order your child's school lunches for the week beginning Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June by next Tuesday (28<sup>th</sup> May). But most of all, enjoy the holidays, relax and have fun with your family and friends. Our Summer 2 term will be extremely busy with trips, Transition days and sports days. So please add the dates to your phone calendar so you don't miss anything.

Our RESPECT values: Resilience, Equity, Self-Awareness, Passion, Empathy, Communication, Teamwork

# Story Café

Thank you to our Reception parents who came along to another successful Story Café this week. Our families discovered the story called Sharing a Shell, a lovely story about Sharing and Friendship.



#### Year 6 residential

If your Year 6 child is going on the Residential trip on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, you will have received a letter with the time to arrive at school and what they need to bring. Please Don't be late – as the coach won't wait!

Please find the letter and get everything ready at the start of half term so you don't have any last-minute panic that you have forgotten anything. Help your child get ready for a wonderful and exciting trip.

Year 6 children not going on the trip should be in school at 8.30am as usual please.

# School Trips – Nursery to Year 4

Our school trips are fast approaching and we really need any outstanding payments in please. Thank you if you have already returned your child's permission slip and trip money. If you need permission slips, please come to the school office as soon as possible. Many thanks.



### Website Photographer – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June

A professional photography company, Edupic, will be in the School on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June to take some fabulous photos of our children and school. As always, please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform. This is a really important opportunity for our School to shine and really tell prospective and current families about the children's wonderful work.

#### After School Clubs - Summer 2

There are a range of After School Activities starting in the first week back after half term. Parents whose children have a place on the clubs: Multi Sports, Lego, Arts and Crafts and Cooking have been informed.

#### Football Tournament at Middleton

Our Lower KS2 boys took on an exciting football tournament last Thursday. They played 4 games at Middleton School. The boys showed great teamwork and whilst they lost the games, they gained much from the experience and the opportunity and had great fun to boot! Well done boys! Thank you to all the parents who took the children along and to Miss May our PE coach, Mrs Bull and Miss Laud for cheering them on.





# We Say Goodbye to Miss Edwards

Miss Edwards is leaving us today and we would like to wish her well in her new chosen career and thank her for her contribution and support for our Early Years classes.







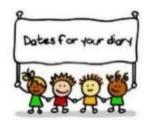
#### **Attendance Heroes**

Attendance for Week Beginning Monday 20th May 2024				
Ladybirds ~ 91.1%	Owls ~ 94.1%			
Hedgehogs ~ 91.1%	Squirrels ~ <b>95.0</b> %			
Foxes ~ <b>93.3</b> %	Badgers ~ <b>81.7%</b>			
Falcons ~ 97.1%	Skylarks ~ 91.3%			
Whole School ~ 91.9%				

The massive drop in attendance on Wednesday was noticeable. A Rainy day is not an excuse for missing school. Can you imagine what would happen if people didn't show up for work because of the rain? Well done Falcons and Squirrels for keeping their attendance figures in the Green.

We really want everyone to be a **Moorland Attendance HERO – Here, Every day**, **Ready to learn**, **On time**.

After half term, we shall be sending out a letter about each child's attendance. Well done if you get a letter congratulating you and your child on their attendance. If you don't, then there's still time to see an improvement before the end of the summer term.





Date	Event			
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> May 11am – 2pm	Table Top sale at the Moorlands Family Centre (see the poster below)			
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Deadline for ordering school dinners for the week beginning Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> June			
May Half Term Holidays				
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 8.30am	All Children return to school including Year 6 children who not going on the Residential trip			
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Residential trip			
Mon 3rd – Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 KS1 SATS window (please note this date has changed)			
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Trip to Ashmolean Museum, Oxford			
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Website Photographer in School – more details to follow			
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Nursery and Reception visit to Thrift Farm			
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Story Café for Reception parents and children – <b>The huge bag of worries</b> A great story to remind us all to share our worries and they won't feel so big.			
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 trip to Whipsnade Zoo			
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 visit to Wrest Park (please note this date has changed)			
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 visit to MK Museum			
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> June	New EYFS starters – Stepping up session 1: 9.30-11am Rec class – Stepping up to Y1 all day			
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole school transition day for Nursery – Y5 pupils Y6 pupils moving up to Secondary will be contacted by their new schools with details of days and times of their transition visits			
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> July	New EYFS starters – Stepping up session 2: 9.30-11am Rec class – Stepping up to Y1 all day			
Mon 8th July	EYFS sports afternoon with parents 1.30-2.30			
Tues 9th July	KS1 sports afternoon with parents (Y1&Y2) 1.30-2.30			
Thurs 11th July	LKS2 sports afternoon with parents (Y3&Y4) 1.30-2.30			
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> July	New EYFS starters – Stepping up session 3: 9.30-11am Rec class – Stepping up to Y1 all day			
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year reports sent home			
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> July	UKS2 sports afternoon with parents (Y5&Y6)1.30-2.30			

Best Wishes

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Mrs. Angela Garner Headteacher



# Half Term Activities at Moorlands Family Centre







#### **Moorlands Family Centre** Family Fun May Half Term 2024



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Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 31st
B A N K H O L I D A Y	Postnatal Clinic – Maternity MK 9:00 – 4:00pm  MoorTalk @ Café Bean 9:00 – 11.00am A community café for a chat & cuppa  Family Messy Play 10.00 – 11.30am  Moorlands Learning Hub NEW 9.00 - 11.00am Drop-in internet access  Community Employment Service (Learn Hub) 1:00 – 3:00pm  Family MoorCrafts all ages welcome 2:00 – 4:15pm	Postnatal Clinic – Maternity MK 9:00 – 4:00pm  Woughton Advice Service by WCC 10:00 – 11am Book through Reception  S.H.O.U.T Choir Singing Helps Others Unite Together! all ages welcome 12:15 – 1:30pm  Family Day Disco and Karaoke 1.00 – 2.30pm Hot dogs 2.30 – 3.00  Moorlands Learning Hub NEW 2.00 - 4.00pm Drop-in internet access	Moorlands Learning Hub NEW 9.00 - 11.00am Drop-in internet access Family Jumbo Games & Soft Play 10.00 - 11.30am  Woughton Advice Service by WCC 10:00 - 11:00am Book through Reception  MoorTalk @ Café Bean A community café for a chat & cuppa 11:00 - 1:30pm Family Crafts 1.30 - 3.00pm  Baby Sensory Sensations 1:30 - 3.30pm	Baby Sensory Sensations 9:00 – 1:30pm  Child Bereavement Trust 9:00 – 4:00pm  Coffee Morning & Play 10:00 – 12:00  Moorlands Community Larder 11:00 – 12:30pm Sign up by accessing https://www.sofea.uk.com  Development Reviews Bookable through Health Visitors 1:00 – 4:00pm  Baby Sensory Sensations 2:00 - 3:30pm  Moorlands Learning Hub NEW 2.00 - 4.00pm Drop-in internet access
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Children must be accompanied by an adult.



