

MOORLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Together We Can...

17th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,



Parent/ Carer Survey

Thank you to all our parents who completed the Parent/Carer Survey last week. We received a reply from 20% of our families. It's not too late to tell us your views, please just click on this link to complete the survey by Tuesday 21st Nov.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=LZlZ8rBtGEmODl6AisGm08neDIq5GWtlljb4nH4tMixURFNCREtGtKNPVDa5Qjk3Wjk5WjIFRkFPNiQIQCN0PWcu>

Your opinions are really important to us, so please give us a small amount of your time and complete the survey so that we can hear your voice. We will be giving out the thankyou chocolates to the children on Wednesday.

You Spoke and We Listened.

We have reviewed the feedback so far and will send out the full results with our next newsletter once the survey closes on Tuesday. We have already made a start at actioning some of your suggestions:

Several of the "Even better if" comments raised was wanting to know more about your child's behaviour in School. As you know we use the **Trackit Lights** system in school to recognise positive behaviours in school (**green behaviours**), early warning lights to remind children to make the right choices in their behaviour (**yellow and orange behaviours**) and when needed have to give out **red Trackit lights** for more serious behaviour choices.



Trackit lights have designed a **Parents App** that they have just released to schools and we are hoping you will enjoy trialling this with us. On Monday we will give your child a letter with their **personal code** and details about how you can access this App and thereby track your child's behaviour. We hope that you see this as a positive step forward in parents and school working together for the benefit of your child. If this is successful we will pay for the app in January when our free trial ends.

Harry's Rainbow – Dress the Rainbow - Friday 24th November

Please help support this wonderful local charity by wearing the colours of the rainbow on our non-uniform day on Friday 24th November. Harry's Rainbow dedicates its work to support bereaved children in MK and has helped many of our children too. Donations for the charity will be gratefully received and all money will go directly to supporting their work.



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Our School Council lead our work during Anti-Bullying Week

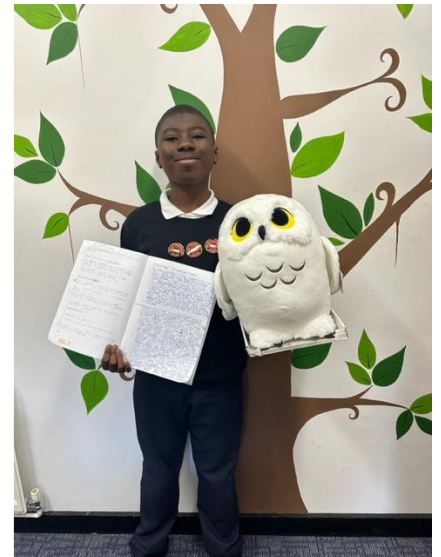
We are very proud of our School Council who raised the profile of the Anti-Bullying week in our assemblies this week. The School Council members created fantastic posters for display round the School and gave an excellent presentation. Children were encouraged to think about what bullying means and how to recognise when their own behaviours may move into "bullying" behaviours as well what they can do if they experience it themselves. We do not tolerate "banter" at Moorland Primary school and work hard to support all our pupils in this important issue.



Show-casing a piece of written work by one of our Year 6 children

Our Year 6 children have all worked incredibly hard in their English lessons this term. Their latest piece is a persuasive letter to the Government about Slavery. I would like to share a short extract from Nana's writing. When reading it, you could feel the emotion and passion within him. For Nana, this is an exceptional piece of writing and to see his self-esteem and inner pride as he read this aloud was a very special moment. Here is just a very short extract from his letter:

"I implore you to stop slavery. We need to abolish slavery now! It is unacceptable and we have the power to stop the slave trade. Slaves feel broken, enraged - they wish they could rebel against their owner but they are too weak and scared."



Design a Christmas Card - Competition

Our School Council are asking children to get creative and design their own Christmas Card. At the back of the newsletter is a poster and entry form. So, over the coming week, why not settle down with your child and get the colouring pencils and paints ready to create a very special Christmas card. Please return your entry by Friday 1st December. Good Luck!



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Christmas Fair – Thursday 14th December

Preparations are well under way for the Christmas Fair - thank you to everyone who has donated raffle prizes so far – we really do appreciate them. If you would like to donate a toiletry item for our His and Her's Hampers, then please let Mrs Nicholls know.



Raffle tickets are now on sale before and after School at the playground gates. They cost £1/strip.

On-Line Safety and your Child – ‘Think Before You Send’

There is a real and growing concern of how many young people find it ok to share inappropriate images online. It is leading to so many becoming vulnerable to potential exploitation, blackmail and harm from a young age, leaving a lasting digital footprint. Attached to the newsletter is a poster by Skips Safety Net. It contains a QR code which links to a Guide for Parents about On-line Safety. It has the very important message of ‘Think Before You Send. If you share it, you are involved’.

Please use this information, so that you can support your child as they get older and have to navigate the very difficult world of social media and peer pressure.

DIARY DATES:

Date	Event
Friday 24th November 	Harry's Rainbow – Non-uniform Day: Wear colours of the rainbow to fund-raise for a wonderful local charity
Sunday 3rd December 11am – 3.00pm	'Angels at the Abbey'. Free Family Event at Bradwell Abbey. Year 4 children have been invited to perform some Christmas songs.
Monday 11th December.	11am – The After-School Club Singing Group will be performing at Moorlands Family Centre
Wednesday 13th December	Children's Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day – remember to book your child's Christmas lunch by 28 th Nov.
Thursday 14th December 1.30pm – 3.30pm	Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 19th December (morning)	Early Years Song time (Nursery and Reception)
Tuesday 19th December (afternoon)	KS1 Nativity performance (Years 1 and 2)
Thursday 21st December	Children's Christmas Party (Donations of party food are welcome)
Friday 22nd December	3pm – School closes for the Christmas Holidays
The School is closed: Monday 25th December – Monday 8th January	
Tuesday 9th January 2024 - School re-opens at 8.30am	



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Attendance and Time-Keeping

Congratulations to **Hedgehogs** for maintaining their attendance of **over 96%**.
Attendance was overall disappointing with too many dipping below into the RED.
Let's continue with the effort to make everyone a Moorland Attendance HERO –
Here, Every day, Ready to learn, On time.

Attendance for week 10th Nov



Ladybirds ~ **84.9%**



Owls ~ **89.0%**



Hedgehogs ~ **96.1%**



Squirrels ~ **94.1%**



Foxes ~ **87.3%**



Badgers ~ **92.4%**



Falcons ~ **91.9%**



Skylarks ~ **87.1%**



Whole school ~ **90.8%**

M O O R L A N D



HERE... EVERY DAY... READY TO LEARN... ON TIME!

Lateness = Lost learning

A small number of children have missed a staggering **1321 minutes (22 hours)** in learning time **this week!**

Please arrive at school between 8.30-8.45am



Best Wishes

Angela Garner

Mrs. Angela Garner

Headteacher



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Calling all artists ...



*Moorland School Council are having
a Christmas card competition.*

*To enter,
design your card in the box below, fill in your name,
year group and return to School by
Friday 1st December*

*The winning cards will be printed with the artists name
on the back and sold at the School Fayre on
Thursday 14th December*



Artists name.....

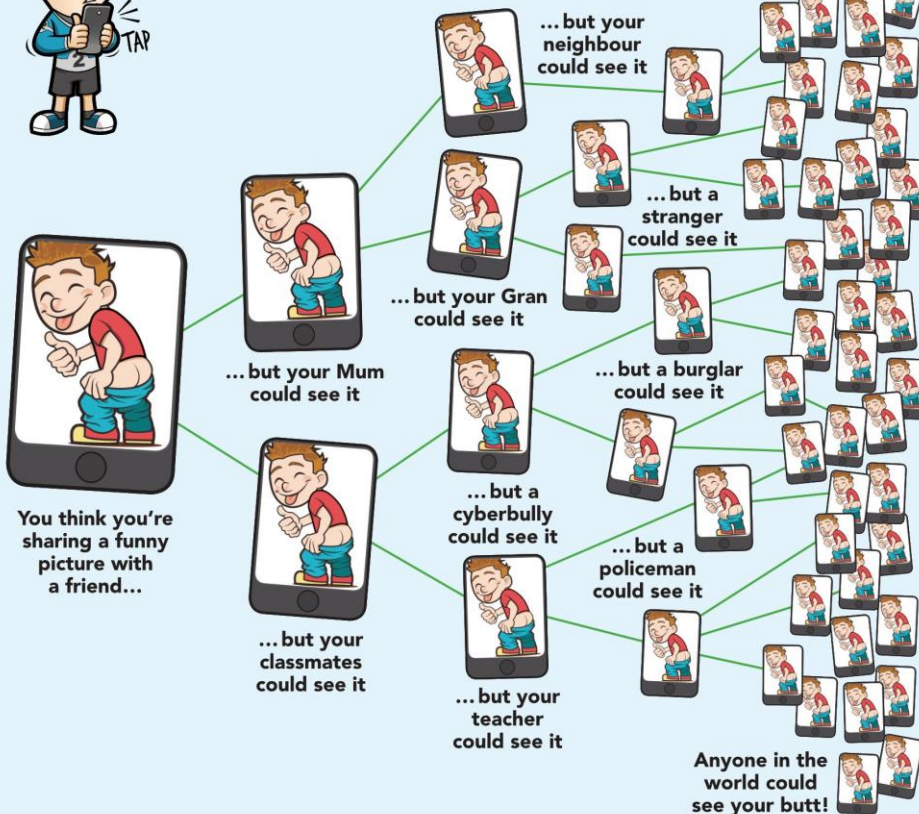
Artists year group.....



Parent Guides to Online Safety



THINK before you send!



If you share it, you are involved

If you have, or forward an indecent image of someone under 18, it is a criminal offence. It can affect your future.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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