

MOORSIDE INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers

We have welcomed the Year 6 children back into school after their super week in East Barnby last week....they were SO lucky with the weather, judging by the horrendous storms that we have had over the weekend!

Key Stage 1 are in the spotlight this week with their HARVEST Assembly at 9.30am on Friday 19th October. There will be teas and coffees in the Infant school before the assembly, served by myself and Mrs Price instead of going home after school drop off. The Key Stage 2 children will be watching the dress rehearsal on Thursday. We are looking forward to seeing you there. We would be really grateful of any donations of tinned or dry food from both schools for our local foodbank as a harvest donation on Friday.

The staff in Key Stage 1 are holding their phonics and reading session this Wednesday at 3.15pm in the Year 1 classroom. This will be a really informative event so that you can support your child(ren) with their reading at home. Children are also welcome too!

Safety first....

Some children are bringing bikes and scooters to school and are continuing to ride them on the playground. We had a nasty accident involving a child in Reception a couple of weeks ago, involving a bike and would like to prevent this from happening again to anyone. Please help us to keep everyone safe on the playground by asking your child not to ride bikes and scooters on the premises, but to walk them to the storage area. Any child who breeches the school rule will be asked to leave their bike/scooter at home for the remainder of the term. This is purely to keep everyone safe!!

The children in Years 1 and 4 have had a super half term taking part in Forest school Fridays run by Mrs Goss and Mrs Groundwater, teaching aspects of our Science and DT curriculum in the great outdoors. After half term, Years 2 and 5 will have Forest Schools each Friday. The children will need named wellies, waterproofs and warm clothing each week.

As ever, if you have any concerns about your child's learning or well-being, our teachers are available at the end of the day or please do contact Mrs Price or myself at school. Even if there are small changes or worries about school at home, it really helps us to support the children if we know about them.

Have a super week everyone!

Many thanks,

Claire Rowett

Message from FOMS

It's nearly the school disco, get your outfits ready and come along! It's £2.50 including a packet of crisps and squash. There will be games, hot dogs and cake! Cake donations will be very gratefully received on the day please. We're always short of helpers too if you can spare 20 minutes to give someone a break!

Also, Bags2School bags will be given out soon, ready to be returned after half term. We get paid by the weight so please donate any old textiles etc. (a full list of excepted items will be on the bag).

Class Updates

Nursery - Back to normal in Nursery this week! We're still thinking about Autumn - now that there are lots of leaves around, we can use them to do counting, sort into colours, help us sing our 'Autumn leaves' song and lots more! We will also be starting to learn some Yoga and bake some leaf biscuits. Busy, busy, busy!

Reception – This week the Spark in Reception is 'The Little Red Hen'. We are learning to be able to orally retell the story using props and puppets. Later in the week the children will be writing something that the Little Red Hen says in a speech bubble. In Maths this week the children are learning how to complete a repeated pattern using lots of different equipment.

Year 1 – In Year 1 this week we will be getting ready for our Harvest Festival, including writing invitations. We hope to see you there! We will also be developing our skills with addition and subtraction in Maths and will continue to learn more about Mary Seacole as our Black History Month focus.

Year 2 – We are very excited in Year 2 as it's our Harvest Festival on Friday morning. We do hope you will be able to come and watch our assembly at 9.30am. Please look out for your special invite coming home today! We have a new Literacy text 'The Queen's Hat' which we will start on Tuesday. It follows the journey of the Queen's hat across famous London landmarks. We are going to pretend to be journalists, writing a newspaper report on what happens to the hat and where it ends up! In Maths we are starting subtraction. We will be using dienes and place value counters to support our learning and drawing bar models to match our calculations. We will start with subtracting ones, then subtracting tens before moving onto two digit subtraction. We are also working on increasing our knowledge of number bonds to 20. Each day we will spend a couple of minutes creating addition and subtraction bonds. We will be looking at systematic ways to ensure we have all the number bonds.

Year 3 - In Year 3, we will be continuing our journey to the centre of the earth with our text 'The Street Beneath My Feet'. We will be focusing on the scientific vocabulary but also linking this to our current English skill, which is sub headings. We are very much looking forward to spending some of our week with Mr Moss, who has prepared some wonderful Art for us. We look forward to showing these in the near future around our school.

Year 4 – In Year 4 this week we are looking at writing a recipe for making pizza. In Maths we are beginning to look at column subtraction. We also have a real treat as Mr Moss will be working with our class all day on Wednesday doing some sculptures which we are really looking forward to.

Year 5 – This week in Year 5 we will be learning about imperative verbs which will help us when we come to write our own wartime recipes. In Maths we will be calculating using numbers up to 1,000,000 and looking at decimals and fractions. In Science this week we will be investigating fossils and writing our own explanations of how fossils are formed. We will also be continuing to develop our e-safety skills where we will be looking at ways to stay safe online.

Year 6 – This week, Year 6 are reading 'Journey to Jo'burg' as part of our Black History month theme. We will be using our geography skills to find the location of the setting on a world map and will be finding out about what life was like during Apartheid. We will be writing diary entries to show our understanding. On Friday, we will be enjoying a day of art with Mr Moss. In Maths, we are investigating prime numbers and using negative numbers in context.

Attendance

To date:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
94.81	90.91	94.69	96.70	93.68	95.74	97.72

Last week:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95.42	93.50	94.00	98.33	98.33	98.24	100.00

Diary Dates

Wednesday 17 th October	KS1 Reading & Phonics meeting – 3.15pm
Thursday 18 th October	Individual School Photographs
Friday 19 th October	Harvest Festival – Years 1 & 2, Infant Hall 9.30am
Tuesday 23 rd October	Halloween Disco – Infants 4.15pm–5.45pm & Juniors 6.00pm–7.30pm
Friday 26 th October	Half term
Tuesday 6th November	Back to School