

MOORSIDE INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We had a lovely end to the week with a day in our pyjamas, raising £210.00 for Children in Need. Thank you so much for your kind donations of money or cakes to support this very worthy cause.

The children in Year 5 had a great time at Ripon Grammar school on Friday, using their facilities and equipment to make Christmas decorations in DT.... they were a credit to our school. Members of the public at Eden Camp have also kindly commented on how well behaved our children were when they visited for the day - it's always lovely to hear this feedback when they are on a visit with school and we were very proud of them. Schools of Sanctuary also really enjoyed carrying out workshops with the children in Key Stage 2 as part of their work during Anti Bullying week. Well done everyone!

On Friday, one of our Year 2 children, Xander Galloway-Gee took part in the Ripon Young Musicians of the Year competition. He was commended for his musical talent, which we were 'wowed' by when he shared his piece with us in assembly. Well done Xander! If you're lucky, you might get to hear him play at one of our Christmas performances!

It's getting really cold as the days are getting shorter- could I ask that children have appropriate outdoor clothing and footwear for P.E. and Forest schools? Lots of layers would do the trick as we want the children to get the most out of their outdoor learning experiences. We have 2 very full lost property boxes in school if your child has lost any kit!!

Parents evenings are now 'live' to book for week beginning 3rd December. Mrs Pawley is available to help with this in the school office if you would like some help!

Our next Reading Cafes for both the Infant and Junior schools are on Tuesday 27th November from 3.15pm in the Infants and 3.20pm in the Juniors. We would really love to see you to share a cuppa and a book. If you have children in both schools, the event runs until around 4/4.15pm so you are welcome to do a bit of both!

Have a super week everyone,

Mrs Rowett



Keeping our Children Safe....

In our PSHE lessons, we will be discussing the NSPCC's Underwear Rule. This is designed to teach pupils how to stay safe from sexual abuse, without giving explicit information or telling scary stories or even using the term "sexual abuse." In the lesson, children will learn about the 'PANTS' acrostic, which stands for:

Privates are private

Always remember your body belongs to you

No means no

Talk about secrets that upset you

Speak up, someone can help

The lessons will be delivered in a way that's fully age-appropriate. More information about the Underwear Rule, including a short film and a parent guide can be found at nspcc.org.uk/underwearrule.

Important Safety Reminder:

As we move into winter it is getting dark at 4.30pm. Please ensure you keep your children safe by ensuring they can be seen in the dark. Please ensure children have bright or reflective clothing if playing out or going home in the dark. It is important that they have lights on their bikes to stay safe.

Class Updates

Nursery – It's World Nursery Rhyme week! In Nursery, we will be learning a new rhyme every day and singing them for our parents and carers at home time. Each day, we will do an activity linked to the new nursery rhyme. Monday is '5 Currant Buns', Tuesday is 'Humpty Dumpty', Wednesday is 'Twinkle Twinkle', Thursday is 'I'm a Little Teapot' and Friday is 'Round and Round the Garden'. We are also continuing our work on shape; rectangles and triangles this week!

Reception – This week in Reception it's Nursery Rhyme Week. We will be learning a new Nursery Rhyme each day and will be performing it to parents and carers at the end of each day. In Maths this week we are continuing our work on addition and will begin subtraction. We will be using props from the new Nursery Rhymes to work out addition and subtraction problems.

Year 1 – This week in Year 1, we are thinking about asking questions during writing lessons - we are trying to find out what was found in Dragon Wood! In Maths, we are partitioning numbers to 100 and beginning to count in equal groups of 5. During our ICT session we are learning how to log-in to our individual accounts on Purple Mash, create images and then saving them; we always discuss how important it is to stay safe when using the internet.

Year 2 - In Literacy this week we have a new text called, 'Guess What I Found in Dragon Wood.' We will be looking at the characters of Dragon and Benjamin and creating questions and statements about them. In Maths we will continue our multiplication work by using Numicon, money and cubes to build up to arrays and link it to repeated addition. We will continue to learn our Christmas songs and are looking forward to showcasing our learning for parents on Thursday. We hope you can join us.

Year 3 - In Year 3, we will be continuing our topic of subtraction in Maths, using practical equipment to help solve problems. We will be editing and improving our super diary entries so that we can have them on display. They look amazing already! In PE, we will be taking part in Circuits to improve our skill levels but also our fitness, which links in with our Science topic.

Year 4 – This week in Maths, Year 4 are beginning to look at how to apply multiplication to real life problems. In Literacy we are going to look at writing our very own flashback, using our Topic ‘World War Two’ as the motivation. We will also be looking forward to our new Science topic ‘Animals’ including humans.

Year 5 – This week in Year 5 we will be writing our biographies on Charles Darwin and beginning to research what actually happened during the Blitz. We will be continuing to sharpen our Maths skills and will be working on our methods for calculating using all four operations. The children are really looking forward to singing practice too....ssshh, it's a secret!

Year 6 – This week as part of our DT topic, cooking and nutrition, and our History topic, World War Two, we will be researching the main food groups and nutrients and what food was available during the war to plan and create a healthy meal using rations. We will also be evaluating sources of evidence which have been used to give us information about historical events such as the Blitz. In Maths, we will be developing our understanding of formal written methods for all four operations.

Attendance

To date:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
94.87	93.44	95.54	95.57	95.70	95.96	97.25

Last week:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
97.50	99.00	98.00	97.50	100.00	97.06	98.80

Diary Dates

Thursday 22nd November	KS1 Showcase - 9.15am
Tuesday 27 th November	Reading Café from 3.15pm in the Infants and 3.20pm in the Juniors
Friday 7 th December	Christmas Fair – 2.15 – 4.15pm
Thursday 13 th December	KS1 Nativity – 9.15am
Friday 14 th December	KS1 Nativity – 2.00pm
Friday 14 th December	Save the Children’s Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 17 th December	EYFS Nativity 9.30am – Tea/Coffee in the hall from 9.00am
Monday 17 th December	KS2 Performance – 1.30pm
Tuesday 18 th December	EYFS Nativity 9.30am – Tea/Coffee in the hall from 9.00am
Tuesday 18 th December	KS2 Performance – 1.30pm
Friday 21 st December	Carols Round the Tree – 2.00pm
Friday 21 st December	Christmas Holidays – School ends at 3.00pm