

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are into the final 4 weeks of the Summer term and things are busier than ever, with lots of exciting events and visits taking place!

We were very proud of the children who represented our school at the Armed Forces event on Thursday. Their behaviour was exemplary and they even won the PT warm up competition! Our children in Key Stage 1 also represented our school brilliantly as they immersed themselves in science at Eureka. The teachers were very impressed and really enjoyed taking them out of school to experience real-life scenarios, when they would use and apply their science knowledge.

We are sorry that there has been a clash and some uncertainty over dates for our Year 6 Beetle Drive. We really appreciate parents letting us know about the transition event at Outwood on 4th July, which would mean that most of the Year 6's would be otherwise engaged!! This means that we will schedule our Beetle Drive for 6.00pm on 11th July. So sorry again for the change - we know that Year 6 are working hard to plan a fun evening for us all!

As you are probably aware, there have been confirmed cases of Hepatitis A in Ripon. I have received the following guidance and information from Stuart Carlton, Director of Children's and Young People's Service for NYCC:

Our investigations suggest this outbreak is confined to a single school and no action is required from you. If you receive any enquiries from parents you can direct them to:

<http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Hepatitis-A/Pages/Introduction.aspx>

The Hepatitis A virus can be passed from person to person by eating food or drinking water containing the virus. As the virus is passed out in the faeces of an infected person, as always we would recommend encouraging good hand hygiene after going to the toilet and/or preparing food.

We will ensure that we are promoting personal hygiene even more than usual in school. There may be siblings of Moorside children or other members of the family who are diagnosed or carriers, but we currently have **no children** presenting any symptoms.

Most classes have had at least one transition experience with next year's teacher, and most children seem to be very relaxed about changes and moving on into the next academic year. However, some children may voice their worries at home rather than at school, and we need to know about them, so that we can work together to help!! **Parent consultation meetings** are week beginning **8th July** – we will let you know when you can sign up for an appointment through our website. Please do come to an appointment so that we can share your child's learning outcomes and end of year report with you! It is always helpful if they come with you so that we can celebrate this year together.

Final Reading Cafe of the school year tomorrow.... we would love to see you there. The Year 6 children would particularly like to share their French cafe with their parents, if you can make it!

Have a super week everyone,

Mrs Rowett
Headteacher

Class Updates

Nursery – Nursery are thinking about sandcastles this week. We will try and build a MASSIVE one in the sandpit! We will also see what happens when water comes near it - eek! Our sound is 'c' - what can you bring for the sound bag?

Reception – This week in Reception we are going to be writing about going on a trip to the seaside and talking about all of the fun and exciting things we can do when we are there. We will be using time related vocabulary to help us sequence our day, thinking about the order in which we do things and why. In Maths we are going to be recapping both addition and subtraction number sentences and practising counting on or back to find the answer. We will also be continuing our work on positional language and learning to listen carefully to follow more than one instruction.

Year 1 – This week, we are continuing to focus on measures in Maths. We are continuing to learn about time and solving problems involving time. We are also going to re-visit shape and length. We are beginning to focus on spelling rules this week, starting with adding -ing to words and -ed to make words past tense. In Science we will be reinforcing the words herbivore, carnivore and omnivore, which we have been learning during Forest Schools. In Topic, we will continue to find out about Charles Darwin and the animals which he discovered. Please remember to come to our final Reading Cafe on Tuesday and our Showcase on Thursday!

Year 2 – In Phonics this week we are recapping suffixes with 'er' and 'est,' investigating how they can make the verb change. We will use these suffixes in our RE story on Tuesday which is all about showing how we care. In Literacy we will link our science and write adverts to sell our animal habitats which we are hoping to get finished on Wednesday. On Friday in history we will recap Charles Darwin's journey to the Galapagos Islands and will be putting ourselves in his shoes as we write letters from Darwin back home to his family, describing his amazing journey. In Maths we will continue with our capacity work and Mrs Bailey has planned some exciting investigations for us! We will also look at symmetry in shapes and link this to our mini-beasts project as we create symmetrical butterflies. All of Key Stage One are very excited to share our topic learning with you on Thursday afternoon. It would be great if you could join us for our amazing Showcase at 2pm and if the sun continues to shine our showcase will be outdoors (fingers crossed!).

Year 3 – This week Year 3 are writing an alternative ending to 'The Iron Man' using all the skills they have been learning. In Maths we are looking at multiplication and division and solving problems using these skills. They are starting to design their Roman fort and defences ready for our DT project. We will be looking at the inventions the Romans invented that we still use today and the impact the Romans have had on us. In Science we will be looking at the impact we can have on our environment. We are practicing our inference skills in Guided Reading and making sure we say why we think something using the word because.

Year 4 – This week in Year 4 our Literacy focus will be all about editing and improving our Roman gladiator stories. The children have really enjoyed writing these and have come up with some fantastic story lines. In Maths, we will continue to look at line graphs and look at more complex problem solving and reasoning questions. We also have swimming on Wednesday morning and Forest Schools on Friday afternoon, where the children will investigate what they have learnt about animals, including humans, first hand. We will also begin thinking about creating our Roman forts and would be grateful for any junk modelling equipment.

Year 5 - In Year 5 this week, we will be focusing on Prepositions in English and identifying these within a text. We will be reading more of our class text, which is very exciting! In Maths, we will be reading timetables and extracting accurate information from them. In Topic, we will be preparing for our school trip the following week by completing our Roman topic. The children have designed their catapults for our Showcase and we hope to make them this week.

Year 6 – There are lots of exciting things going on for Year 6 this week: we have our French Reading Cafe on Tuesday after school, our trip to London on Wednesday and our Crucial Crew trip on Friday morning! We will also be continuing with our DT project by starting to make our Roman catapults, as well as continuing with play rehearsals! Forest schools will also take place on Friday afternoon. We hope to see as many parents as possible on Monday after school for our London trip information meeting.

Attendance

To date:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
92.91	95.29	96.63	97.20	96.20	94.66	96.95

Last week:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96.28	94.00	98.80	97.92	100.00	92.50	93.70

Diary Dates

Monday 24 th June	Year 6 London visit - Parent information meeting 3.20pm
Tuesday 25 th June	Final Reading Café 3.20pm
Wednesday 26 th June	Visit to London – Year 6
Thursday 27 th June	Transition meeting for new Reception parents
Thursday 27 th June	Year 1 & 2 Showcase - 2pm
Friday 28 th June	Crucial Crew – Year 6 (am)
w/c 1 st July	Art Week
Tuesday 2 nd July	Yorkshire Museum visit – Years 3, 4 & 5
2 nd & 3 rd July	Bikeability - Year 6 (group 1)
Thursday 4 th July	Monk Park Farm visit - Reception
Thursday 4 th July	Soccer Aid for UNICEF Sports afternoon from 2.30pm
w/c 8 th July	Parent Consultations and Reports
8 th & 9 th July	Bikeability - Year 6 (group 2)
Wednesday 10 th July	Staff Training Day – School closed for pupils
Thursday 11 th July	Year 6 Beetle Drive 6.00pm
Monday 15 th July	FOMS Summer Disco
15 th & 16 th July	KS2 Production – 1.30pm
Tuesday 16 th July	Nursery Sports Day – 10.30am
Wednesday 17 th July	Sports Day - Reception, Year 1 & 2 am - Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 pm
Friday 19 th July	Leavers Assembly 2.00pm School closes for Summer Holidays at 3.00pm