

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents and Carers,

The sun shone for us last week, which made our school trips to York for Key Stage 2 and Monk Park Farm for the Reception children all the better. It also helped us on Thursday when we had everyone taking part in our UNICEF Soccer Aid event. Thank you so much to everyone who attended, took shots against the goalies, played on the parent and staff football teams or bought mocktails or strawberries and cream! We were pleased to raise just over £134.00 for a brilliant cause. If anyone did not make a donation and would still like to, please see Mrs Dunn at the school office.

We have Parent Consultations this week. We have allocated 15 minutes for each meeting and it is always helpful if your child can attend with you, so that you can share their learning and progress together.

We are having a Teacher Training Day this Wednesday (10th July). This means that the children **ARE NOT IN SCHOOL** on this day. The staff will be doing some work on the new curriculum to be launched in September, in line with the new Ofsted framework, as well as updated Health and Safety training. We will also be doing some more work on well-being support and strategies for our pupils.

There are a few changes to our timetabling this week due to the Teacher Training day...

Key Stage 1 will have Sporting Influence for PE on Thursday instead of Wednesday, and the children in Reception will have Forest schools on Friday morning, as Year 4 will have a dress rehearsal for our school play. So ... KS1 need their PE kit on Thursday, Reception need Forest Schools clothing on Friday, children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 need their clothing for the school play by Thursday 11th July for their dress rehearsal. If KS2 parents are unable to provide any of the required clothing for the play, please inform us by Wednesday, so that we can help!

We have had a couple of parents who have been enquiring about supporting us with school trips and visits. We are only able to take parents/family members who have a DBS certificate on educational visits. If you have DBS clearance, and would like to be contacted to come on a school trip in the future, please give your name to Mrs Pawley. She will need to see the original of your DBS certificate. Parents who are on our Friends of Moorside School team, or who help frequently in school by listening to readers can enquire about a DBS application through the school office.

Two more exciting events are taking place this week...we have our Key Stage 2 Roman Showcase on Tuesday 9th July at 2.45pm and our School Beetle Drive, organised by the children in Year 6 on Thursday 11th July at 6.00pm. We would love to see as many of you there as possible!

The children are getting quite tired as we approach the end of the school year. We are doing PHSCE sessions and assemblies around changes, transitions and friendships across the whole school to support them, but if you do have any concerns at all, please contact your child's class teacher, Mrs Price or myself and we will do our very best to support them together.

Have a super week everyone!

Mrs Rowett
Headteacher

Eco Action at Moorside

What a great week we had last week. On Tuesday our children's posters were displayed to Yorkshire in Bloom judges who were visiting Hell Wath, and on Wednesday, we hosted a visit from Ripon in Bloom in school. The Judges were very impressed with the knowledge and behaviour of the children and how we use our grounds. Well done everyone. The next Eco Action day is a Bio Blitz at Hell Wath on Saturday 20th July. There will be Eco Activities and bug hunts starting at 9.30am at the Panther's Club House. Mrs Taylor-Connor has all the details.



Class Updates

Nursery – Nursery are packing!!! The children will be helping us to sort out what we need to take and how to pack it up - lots of boxes to play with! We will also dig up some plants to move with us.

Reception – This week in Reception we are going to be writing a recount about our trip to Monk Park Farm, thinking about what we did, what we saw and what we enjoyed. In Numeracy we are going to be practising counting in 2's and 10's and also recapping our addition and subtraction skills using farm animals. We are also going to be visiting our new teacher for next year, helping us all to get ready to be Year 1's.

Year 1 – This week in Year 1 we are focusing on measuring and comparing weight as well as solving multiplication and sharing problems. In literacy, we are learning about the prefix 'un' and how it changes the words so they have a different meaning. We will be having a practice to prepare for sports day and we are also in for a treat on Friday morning as we have been invited to watch the dress rehearsal of the Year 6 end of term performance! We will be creating bug hotels for the wildlife area next week, using items which we find outside and we will then evaluate our products. This week is the last week that the children will have a spelling test so no new spellings will be given out on Friday 12th. This week is also the last week for High 5 Readers as we will be collecting reading books in next week. Let's try for 100% for High 5 Readers for the final week of the year!

Year 2 – It's going to be a very busy last couple of weeks in Year 2! With Sports Day next week we will be making sure we know exactly what to do by having an extra practice on Friday, so please make sure your PE kit is in school. Our Science and Literacy will be linked this week as we are looking at food chains. We will use the story 'The Tiger who came to Tea' to help us and we will be creating food chains using the vocabulary 'herbivore, carnivore and omnivore.' In Maths we are continuing to investigate quarter, whole and full turns and will use this to help us with some fraction investigations. We are very excited to have filled our marble jar in Year 2. We just need to decide on a special treat! Voting will take place this week. Mrs Burke is hoping it will be baking! She has been on a fantastic course and has lots of recipes she wants to share with us, yummy!

Year 3 – We are looking forward to sharing our learning with you about the Romans at our Showcase tomorrow. We will be practicing hard to make sure it is an event to be remembered. We are also getting our end of year performance ready for you. We will be making our Roman forts in DT.

Year 4 – In Year 4 this week, we will begin our DT topic and will be creating Roman forts ready to display at the showcase on Tuesday. In Literacy we will be writing a recount of our trip to The Yorkshire Museum. In Maths this week we will be recovering areas we still find difficult including division and multiplication. There is no swimming this week as Wednesday is a training day and the children won't have Forest Schools on Friday as they will be doing a final play rehearsal in the morning.

Year 5 - In Year 5 this week, we are really looking forward to our Showcase on Tuesday and can't wait to share our Roman experiences with you. We will be completing our catapults in DT, which link into the structures we made on our school trip last week. In PE, we will be preparing for Sports Day next week by practicing our skills. We are also looking forward to sharing our learning with you at Parent Consultations this week.

Year 6 – We have Group 2 completing their Bikeability course this week, they will now be safer on the roads during the holidays. We have used our summarising skills to complete the 'blurb' for the back of Midsummer Night's Dream programme. The children have worked together on the Roman Showcase. We would love to welcome you to our Beetle Drive, our project to raise the funds for our hoodies. Lastly, we are still working hard on our end of year production. What a busy week ahead!

Attendance

To date:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
93.67	95.40	96.75	97.25	96.32	94.67	97.09

Last week:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96.15	97.50	96.67	98.17	99.09	94.69	99.63

Diary Dates

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