

# MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

## KEEPING IN TOUCH #2



3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020

Dear Parents and Friends

This will be my final update for you before the Easter break....it is technically the 'end of term' today, however it does feel like a strange way for 'holidays' to begin. It really has been a turbulent few weeks for all of us. I know that the 'stay at home' message has been tough for everyone. I am also aware that there is some serious economic impact for many families and concerns about jobs. There is also the challenge, for some, of serious health issues, along with children accessing their learning at home. It is taking continued resilience and strength from everyone to keep going and we really appreciate your support with home learning and for sending us photos of what you are up to. It is SO important to stay in contact as a community, and I hope that our phone calls to you to check-in (or messages if we cannot get through) are supportive. We are sorry that our school landline was unfortunately faulty this week. You can always email us with any issues and we will either reply or give you a call as soon as we can.

**88%** of our pupils managed to access their online learning last week. This is FANTASTIC! It helps us to keep in touch with how you're getting on. If you are still struggling, please flag any issues up during our check-in phone calls. We fully acknowledge that when sharing devices and technology in households, it can be challenging or that some children are more resistant to learning on a 1:1 basis at home. **Please don't allow the stress of online learning to add strain to family relationships** in an already difficult situation. Keeping children engaged, little and often is the key. We are learning too and are working on constantly working together to improve children's home learning experiences!

Some children feel anxious about the messages that they are hearing on the news or are struggling with the lack of contact with friends. We want to support you with this through a number of resources or networks out there. This new website is to help children to find mental health support in North Yorkshire. The Go-to is a 'point of information' for mental health support services offered by different agencies. With lots



of useful tips, information and signposting, the site has specific 'young person', 'parent/carer' and 'professional' tabs: [www.thegoto.org.uk](http://www.thegoto.org.uk). We have also shared a powerpoint on our website 'A children's guide to Coronavirus'. It's in the tab 'curriculum', 'well being at home'. Even if things are absolutely fine at home at the moment, it is there to help you to explain the current situation to your children with some linked activities. We have also provided some positive behaviour charts for use at home, which we will upload onto the website in the same place. If you would like a paper copy, please email us and we'll pop one in your next learning pack for you.



From 11<sup>th</sup> April, we will be providing a 'Community HUB' for key workers in the Ripon area over weekends. We're working with the Local Authority, who are primarily coordinating the HUBS, to provide care for children from 4-11 over weekends and bank holidays. This will be with support from other local professionals. I would like to thank our amazing team for the lengths they are going to, to provide home learning support when working at home and care for children in school on a rota as well. As I said last week, many of them are also supporting their own families with their learning, whilst being in touch with everyone at school and planning learning for our pupils. With this in mind, they will be accessing emails/in contact twice per week over the next two weeks, as they are deserving of a bit of downtime over the Easter break. You and your children will need a bit of downtime too! There will be staff on duty in school to answer calls between 9am and 3pm on weekdays, if there is anything you need. Our care for Moorside's key workers is still available on weekdays through the website as normal - this is separate to the Community HUB. Finally... I have attached a list of 'Virtual tours and trips' that you can go on as a family for a bit of fun and we will be running some competitions for you to win some Messy Buns vouchers too, so watch this space...!

Have a lovely Easter and please keep safe everyone!

**Mrs Rowett**

## Over 60 Virtual Tours and Trips

### Aquariums

<p><b>Baltimore National Aquarium</b></p>		<p><a href="#">Baltimore National Aquarium</a> has a selection of <a href="#">Live Cams</a> (Blacktip Reef, Jellies Invasion and Pacific Coral Reef) and also offers a floor-by-floor, interactive <a href="#">Virtual Tour</a>.</p>
<p><b>Clearwater Marine Aquarium</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Watch live cams of their rescued dolphins, Winter, Hope and PJ, as well as an otter, pelican and turtle camera.</a></p>	
<p><b>Georgia Aquarium</b></p>		<p>Find live cams for <a href="#">Jellyfish</a>, <a href="#">Beluga Whales</a>, <a href="#">Piranhas</a>, <a href="#">California Sea Lions</a>, <a href="#">African Penguins</a>, <a href="#">Southern Sea Otters</a>, the <a href="#">Indo-Pacific Barrier Reef</a>, an <a href="#">underwater Puffin</a> cam and the <a href="#">Ocean Voyager</a> cam.</p>
<p><b>Monterey Bay Aquarium</b></p>	<p>Be delighted by the antics of their sea otters or mellow out to the hypnotic drifting of their jellies. With <a href="#">ten live cams</a> to choose from, you can experience the wonder of the ocean no matter where you are.</p>	

### Art Galleries and Museums

<p><b>Georgia O'Keeffe Museum</b></p>		<p><a href="#">Six virtual exhibits</a> are available online from this museum named for the "Mother of American modernism."</p>
<p><b>High Museum of Art, Atlanta</b></p>	<p>(More suitable for Years 5 and 6, due to the theme)</p> <p><a href="#">"Civil Rights Photography"</a> — photos that capture moments of social protest like the Freedom Rides and Rosa Park's arrest.</p>	
<p><b>National Gallery, London</b></p>		<p>Get a dose of art and culture thanks to the virtual tour on offer from the <a href="#">National Gallery in London</a>. Tour the rooms and wings and zoom in on the artwork to see some of the highlights.</p>
<p><b>Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum</b></p>	<p>The works of Pablo Picasso, Piet Mondrian, Jeff Koons, and Franz Marc are just some of the 625 artists whose work are a part of the Guggenheim's <a href="#">Collection Online</a>.</p>	
<p><b>Tate Art Galleries</b></p>		<p><a href="#">View and find out about over 70,000 works of art from the various Tate Art Galleries around the UK.</a></p> <p>There is also a <a href="#">Tate website dedicated to children</a> where they can explore, make or take part in games and quizzes.</p>
<p><b>The Louvre</b></p>	<p>Travel to Paris, France to see amazing works of art at <a href="#">The Louvre</a> with this virtual trip.</p> <p>Click here for <a href="#">a more general view</a> of the building.</p>	

<p><b>Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum</b></p>		<p>Madrid's must-see art museum has the works of some of the continent's most celebrated artists like Rembrandt and Dali <a href="#">available online</a>.</p>
<p><b>Van Gogh Museum</b></p>	<p>At the <a href="#">Van Gogh Museum</a> in Amsterdam, Netherlands, you can get up close and personal with the impressionist painter's most famous work.</p> 	

## Famous Places, Landmarks and Buildings

<p><b>Angkor Wat</b></p>		<p>Travel to <a href="#">Angkor Wat in Cambodia</a> through 3D simulations of temples and 360° videos.</p>
<p><b>The Acropolis</b></p>	<p>Visit the ancient citadel of <a href="#">Athens, Greece: The Acropolis</a>, with a virtual tour offering 360° views and explanations of some of the fascinating history.</p> 	
<p><b>Barcelona's Camp Nou Stadium</b></p>		<p>Barcelona's <a href="#">Camp Nou</a> Stadium: visit the entrance, the pitch, the boxes, the locker room and more.</p>
<p><b>Canterbury Cathedral</b></p>	<p>Get a sneak peek of <a href="#">Canterbury Cathedral's</a> incredible architecture and beautiful artefacts in this extensive tour which offers a floor plan, where you can select the rooms you're interested in for 360° camera views.</p> 	
<p><b>Cities and countries by You Visit</b></p>		<p>Use <a href="#">YouVisit</a> to explore cities and countries from all over the world.</p> <p><a href="#">London</a>   <a href="#">Rome</a>   <a href="#">New York</a>   <a href="#">Istanbul</a>   <a href="#">Rio De Janeiro</a></p>
<p><b>CyArk</b></p>	<p><a href="#">CyArk</a> are a non-profit organisation who record and share the most significant cultural heritage sites. Find recordings and virtual tours of famous sites including <a href="#">Mount Rushmore National Memorial</a>, <a href="#">Ancient Corinth in Greece</a>, <a href="#">Brandenburg Gate in Germany</a>, <a href="#">Tower of London in England</a> and <a href="#">Rosslyn Chapel in Scotland</a> to name a few.</p> 	
<p><b><a href="#">Eiffel Tower</a></b></p>		<p>Take a virtual tour <a href="#">of the Eiffel Tower, the tallest structure in Paris</a>.</p> <p>Here you can see a <a href="#">360° panoramic view</a> of Paris from the Eiffel Tower.</p>
<p><b><a href="#">Giant's Causeway</a></b></p>	<p>Explore the rugged landscape around the <a href="#">Giant's Causeway</a> in Northern Ireland.</p> 	
<p><b>Great Wall of China</b></p>		<p>This Virtual Tour of the <a href="#">Great Wall of China</a> is beautiful and makes history come to life.</p> <p>Airpano provides a virtual journey of the <a href="#">Great Wall of China</a> (as well as many other places around the world) through photos and videos.</p> 

<p><a href="#"><u>Machu Picchu</u></a></p>		<p>Take a virtual tour of Peru's 15<sup>th</sup> century Incan citadel: <a href="#"><u>Machu Picchu</u></a>, one of the New Seven Wonders of the World and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>Neuschwanstein Castle</u></a></p>	<p>Visit <a href="#"><u>Neuschwanstein Castle</u></a>, Germany's fairy tale castle. The fairy tale look of the castle is rumoured to be Walt Disney's inspiration for the castle in the Disney classic, <i>Cinderella</i>. It is also the inspiration for Sleeping Beauty's castle in Disneyland.</p> <p>You can also have a look <a href="#"><u>inside each room</u></a> of the castle.</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>New Orleans</u></a></p>		<p>Go on a completely immersive and interactive tour of <a href="#"><u>New Orleans</u></a>. Ride in a streetcar down St. Charles Avenue. Visit Cafe du Monde and Commander's Palace or take a plantation or swamp tour. Stroll through the Convention Center or some of the major hotels.</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>Petra in Jordan</u></a></p>	<p><a href="#"><u>Petra in Jordan</u></a> is an ancient city and World Heritage Site with jaw-dropping architecture and amazing views. Watch these live streams to see the spectacular site.</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>Palace of Versailles</u></a></p>		<p>A virtual tour of the <a href="#"><u>Palace of Versailles in France</u></a> including <a href="#"><u>stories, artwork, rooms and gardens</u></a>.</p> <p><a href="#"><u>Tour the city of Versaille</u></a>, starting at the palace.</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>Pyramids of Egypt</u></a></p>	<p>Take a virtual tour of the world-famous <a href="#"><u>Pyramids of Egypt</u></a>. You can even see the Sphinx and inside the Mastaba Tombs.</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>Roman baths</u></a></p>		<p>Take a virtual walk through the iconic <a href="#"><u>Roman baths</u></a>, in Bath, England. Explore the Great Bath, heated rooms, plunge pools and the terrace. You can even take a virtual tour of some of the museum exhibitions.</p>
<p><b>Royal Residences Tours</b></p>	<p>Explore some of the rooms of <a href="#"><u>Buckingham Palace</u></a>: an iconic building and official residence of The Queen; the Queen's official residence in Scotland, <a href="#"><u>the Palace of Holyroodhouse</u></a>; or <a href="#"><u>Windsor Castle</u></a>: a royal home and fortress for over 900 years.</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>Shakespeare's Globe Theatre</u></a></p>		<p><a href="#"><u>Shakespeare's Globe Theatre</u></a> can be enjoyed with an interactive 360° virtual tour, with photos, videos and audible wonder to guide you.</p>
<p><b>Son Doong Cave</b></p>	<p>Explore the world's largest cave: <a href="#"><u>Son Doong Cave in Vietnam</u></a>.</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>Stonehenge</u></a></p>		<p>Take an interactive tour of <a href="#"><u>Stonehenge</u></a> with 360° views from inside the monument. Select the hotspots to find out more.</p>
<p><b>Taj Mahal</b></p>	<p>Stroll along <a href="#"><u>the iconic gardens</u></a> of the Taj Mahal in India or view some <a href="#"><u>great aerial shots</u></a> of the monument and the surrounding city of Agra.</p>	

Yellowstone National Park



[Mud Volcano](#), [Mammoth Hot Springs](#), and so much more. Tour [Yellowstone National Park!](#)

## History Museums

Anne Frank's House

Take a look around and discover the secret annex [where Anne Frank hid](#) for more than 2 years during WWII and where she wrote her diary.



Boston Children's Museum



Walk through the [Boston Children's Museum](#) for 3 floors of fun, thanks to Google Maps!

British Museum, London

[British Museum London](#): While there's no walkthrough experience, the Rosetta Stone and Egyptian mummies are just a couple of things that you're able to see on a [virtual tour](#) of the museum.



National Museum of Anthropology



Visit the [National Museum of Anthropology in Mexico City](#) and dive into the pre-Hispanic history of Mexico with [23 exhibit rooms](#) full of Mayan artefacts.

Natural History Museum

At the [Natural History Museum in London](#), find answers to your big nature questions and uncover the history of life on Earth, from the smallest insects to the largest mammals.



Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History



Take a room-by-room tour of select exhibits and areas within the [Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History](#), including past and current exhibits. This virtual tour also features a handy map, so you can move between floors easily and select the exhibits you specifically want to see.

The Vatican Museums and City

The Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica and Raphael's Room, are just some of the sites you can see on the [Vatican's virtual tour of their 7 museums](#).



Here's a 360° experience of [Vatican City](#) itself, including St. Peter's Square.

## Music and Film

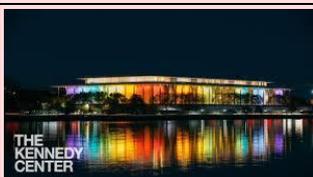
Berlin Philharmonic: Digital Concert Hall

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- Exciting documentaries and artist portraits
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The Kennedy Center



Watch extraordinary performances, covering a range of music and dance genres, from the [Kennedy Center's digital stage](#).

Children can also create [Lunch Doodles with Mo Willems](#); explore 30 different [resource collections](#) on topics such as Africa, Ancient Civilisations, Innovators, Inventors & Explorers, Science, Space and

World Arts and Culture; or explore [media and interactive tools](#) on over 100 themes from African Drumming to Swing Dance.

## Science Centres

Liberty Science Center, New Jersey



Welcome to [LSC in the House](#), the place where home scientists can conduct experiments, explore the world of LSC's animals, find amazing movies to watch, and get inspired about science and technology without ever leaving the living room.

Science Museum, London

Ignite your curiosity with a virtual walkthrough of [London's Science Museum](#). You can also search their [entire collection](#).



## Space and Planets

Aurora Borealis



View the [Northern Lights](#), nature's most amazing light show, from Churchill Northern Studies Center in Manitoba, Canada. The live camera allows you to scroll backwards to see the previous nights show, each day.

Mars

[Explore the surface of Mars](#) on the Curiosity Rover.



Nine Planets:  
The Solar System



Take a [virtual tour](#) to explore our solar system, the night sky and outer space in real-time.

NASA

Take a 360-degree, virtual tour of the [NASA Mission Operations Room](#), home to the Hubble Space Telescope.

Alternatively, why not let your creativity take flight at [NASA STEM](#) with engineering activities, online games and even videos to get you moving and training like an astronaut?



Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum



The [Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum](#) maintains the world's largest collection of aviation and space artefacts, encompassing all aspects of human flight, as well as related works of art and archival materials. [Here](#), you can take a virtual tour of the museum.

U.S. Space and Rocket Museum, Huntsville

See the [Saturn 5 Rocket](#) on YouTube and more on this tour thanks to a real father/son outing.



## Zoos and Animal Cameras

Atlanta Zoo

Atlanta Zoo have set up a [Panda Cam](#).

They also have a little selection of [learning at home resources](#).



<p>Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden</p>		<p>Check in at 8p.m. (due to the time zone difference) for a daily Home Safari on the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden's <a href="#">Facebook Live Feed</a>. A different animal will feature each day and the zoo keepers will set a simple follow up activity, too.</p>
<p>Duke Farms</p>	<p><a href="#">Duke Farms</a> installed a webcam on a tree adjacent to a Bald Eagle nest to provide a live look at the daily lives of the eagles.</p> 	
<p>Explore</p>	 <p>Explore have numerous <a href="#">live cams</a> from all around the world, organised into easy to navigate themes and categories. They also have some <a href="#">free lesson plans</a> and activities linked to their more popular nature cameras.</p>	
<p>Houston Zoo</p>	<p>Houston Zoo has <a href="#">6 Animal Cams</a> including giraffes, gorillas, elephants, leafcutter ants, rhinos and chimps. The elephants are often very playful!</p> 	
<p>Kansas City Zoo</p>	 <p><a href="#">4 animal cams at Kansas City Zoo</a>: king penguin, gentoo penguin, polar bear and Masai giraffe</p>	
<p>San Diego Zoo - kids</p>	<p>The San Diego Zoo has a <a href="#">website just for kids</a> with amazing videos, activities, and games. Enjoy the tour!</p> <p>This zoo probably has the most <a href="#">live cams</a> available: pandas, baboons, penguins, polar bears, apes, koalas, giraffes, burrowing owls, elephants, tigers and condors.</p> 	
<p>Wolf Conservation Center</p>	 <p>This collection of webcams allow you to enter the private lives of "Ambassador" wolves Atka, Alawa, Zephyr and Nikai, and <a href="#">seven elusive packs of critically endangered wolves</a> via unobtrusive cameras in and around den sites.</p>	
<p>FarmFood 360</p>	<p>This Canadian site, <a href="#">FarmFood 360</a>, offers <a href="#">11 Virtual Tours</a> of farms from minks, pigs, and cows, to apples and eggs.</p> 	
<p>Discovery Education Virtual Trips</p>	 <p>This website has several virtual trip options covering a range of topics. A few of the topics include <a href="#">Polar Bears and the Tundra</a>, <a href="#">Social Emotional Skills</a>, <a href="#">STEM</a> and <a href="#">Manufacturing</a>. Each virtual trip comes with a companion guide, too.</p>	