

28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

## MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,



It has been wonderful to have the children in school all half term! It really does make such a difference to have everyone learning together in their classrooms! This week, our Early Years children enjoyed a visit from Mr Stocks and his creatures, particularly the tarantula, as they have been reading the story, 'The Very Busy Spider'. We have also had a super Art week...the children in Reception have created some excellent work inspired by Piet Mondrian, in Key Stage 1, they have been experimenting with colour, learning about Kandinsky, and the children in Key Stage 2 have completed some fabulous masterpieces, inspired by Barbara Hepworth and William Morris. Our children in Years 3 and 4 really impressed Mrs Goss on their field trip to Quarry Moor on Wednesday, spotting wild flowers as part of their Science learning. What a great end to the half term!



### Attendance

Our Attendance in school this week has been 95.64%.... just BELOW national average. This week's class winners are Year 2 with 99.11%! Well done to them! We hope that everyone recovers from coughs, colds and stomach bugs after a week of rest and lots of sleep.

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
w/c 10.05.21	93.57%	98%	92.11%	100%	93.95%	95.93%	92.59%
Last week	95.15%	97.91%	97.33%	98.43%	96.15%	94.47%	98.36%
This week	97.69%	89.85%	99.11%	98.99%	98.58%	96.31%	93%

### Packed Lunches

We continue to encourage children to bring healthy packed lunches to school if they choose not to have a school dinner. I would like to thank all parents who have followed our Covid Risk Assessment and sent disposable packed lunch bags this year. We feel that with the gradual lifting of lockdown measures, we can allow children to bring a packed lunch box into school which can go home again, at the end of the day, after half term. We would need to review this if the R-rate rises significantly again, but in the meantime, you are welcome to send your child with a packed lunch box or bag for us to store during the day in school if you wish.

### Queen's Birthday Celebrations

On **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June**, it is the Queen's birthday. The occasion lends itself well to our topics in school about Queen Victoria, inspirational leaders and key events within living memory. The children will be taking part in a number of activities to celebrate this in school, during the first week back, including the opportunity to design and make a birthday cake fit for a Queen. This is a competition within school and will be judged by Mrs Binks! Please could you send your child to school in clothes for a party on that day. We are hoping to have an 'afternoon tea' style lunch in our bubbles, and Mrs Binks and Mrs Hampshire will be catering for this. The menu is attached to the end of this Newsletter... please contact the school office if your child usually has a packed lunch but would like the 'afternoon tea party' food on that day.

### Spare Waterproofs/Wellies

We would be extremely grateful of any donations of spare waterproofs or wellies that your children may have grown out of ...especially for our children in the Early Years, who are in their outdoor provision in all weathers. If you do have any at home that you would otherwise send to a charity shop, we would really appreciate them in school. Thank you!

### School Trips

As you are most probably aware, we have been arranging some school trips for June, and we also have a couple in the pipeline for July. We always aim to give parents at least 3 weeks notice and keep the cost of the visit to no more than £10. If you have a number of children in your family for whom you are funding school visits, and would like to arrange a staggered payment with Mrs Pawley, she is always willing to support you with this. Unfortunately, if we do not receive adequate contributions, we may be forced to reconsider as to whether a school trip/visit can go ahead.

### PE and Forest School

PE and Forest school days remain the same for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 after half term.

**Years 3 and 4** – PE on Tuesdays and Fridays.

**Year 5** – PE on Tuesday, Forest School on Wednesday.

**Year 6** – PE on Friday, Forest School on Wednesday.

Please could children come to school in appropriate PE and Forest school clothing. Sun hats and cream are also recommended. Thankyou!

### Clubs

After school clubs will resume on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June.

Just a reminder that Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June is a training day... we look forward to welcoming everybody back to school on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June at their usual staggered start time.

Thank you so much for all your support this half term. We really hope that you have a safe and happy break! If you or your child display any symptoms of Covid-19 over the next 72 hours, please let us know via email at [admin@moorside-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@moorside-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk), as we would need to ensure that all necessary contacts are notified.

As always, if there are any changes at home that we need to be made aware of to support your child on their return to school, please do let us know.

Best wishes,

**Mrs Rowett**

Headteacher

### Diary Dates:

Please see our Summer Theme Day Plan at: <https://www.moorsideschools.org.uk/enrichment/>

Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	School re-opens for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of the Summer term
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Queen's Birthday Celebrations
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Murton Park Visitors to School for Children in Years 3 and 4
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Trip to Saltburn for Children in Years 1 and 2
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	New September Nursery Children Parents Meeting (4.30pm)
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	New September Reception Children Parents Meeting (4.30pm)

## *An Afternoon Tea Party*



*A selection of sandwiches...*

*Ham, cheese and tuna*

*Sausage rolls*

*Homemade quiche (cheese and tomato)*

*Vegetable sticks*

*Lemon scones with jam, cream and fresh strawberries*

