

8th April 2022

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

Another great term for Team Moorside.... I am sure that everyone is ready for a much deserved holiday!!

The Spring term started with an outdoor adventure for Year 6 at Marrick Priory and since then we have enjoyed school trips to Tudor York, Tropical World and Ripon Library. We have also welcomed a number of visitors to our school, including PC Dan, Lauren from Road Safety Talks and the Friends of Hellwath to plant our Jubilee tree! Best of all - we have FINALLY been able to welcome parents and families back into school again to enjoy our Mother's Day Lunch, Reading Cafes and Parent Consultations.

We have thoroughly enjoyed our 'Month of Reading Madness' activities with a CSI Workshop, World Book Day dress up, poetry performances and an 'I Spy you Reading Competition'! Our FOMS have held some brilliant fundraising events - our disco and sponsored 'bunny bounce' and we have also raised money for Comic Relief! It has been wonderful to support community initiatives, such as Sights and Sounds of Ripon with the City of Sanctuary and a birthday card 'fit for the Queen' with Ripon Together and Ripon City Council. I am so very proud of Team Moorside and everything that our children and staff have achieved within school and the wider community this term!



Easter Activities

We are so lucky to live in such a beautiful part of the country and there are some super events and places to visit over the holidays if you are looking for ideas for days out....

<https://wheretogowithkids.co.uk/days-out-yorkshire/12-best-easter-events-north-yorkshire/>

There are also some great restaurants who are offering free meals for children - some of them are within specific times – see details at the end of this update.

Sponsored Bounce

Thank you so much to the Friends of school for organising such a fun sponsored bounce event for Easter!



Our winners of the Easter Eggs, kindly donated by FB Taylors, for first and second place in each class were:

Nursery: Evie-Grace Nicholas 65 and Leo Tedde 56.

Reception: Edward Holmes and Benjamin Stocks both 84 and Marnie Metcalfe 83.

Year 1: Oliver Warren 108 and Lily Spaven 88.

Year 2: Nikita Zamecs 91 and Ellie Binks 82.

Year 3: Isaac Geldart 106 and Willow Ross 91.

Year 4: Ashton Gorman, Max Challis and Benjamin Viczian 91 and Ella Doughty, Mya Broadbent and Olivia Smith with 90.

Year 5: Sophie Pettie 96 and Liam Thompson 104.

Year 6: Poppy Binks 97 and Dexter Gorman 107.

Well done to everyone who took part - please do keep the sponsor money coming in if you have some to share....

Reading

We love reading at Moorside and we understand how vitally important it is for our children to learn this skill so they can access all areas of the curriculum. Reading also has a positive impact on children's well-being; getting 'lost in a book' gives them an escape, as well as broadening their imaginations and growing their vocabulary!

We continuously focus on Phonics as soon as children start at school and aim for all our children to be confident and fluent readers by the time they leave Year 2. We have a super library in school and have really missed holding our Reading Cafes to share our reading experiences, favourite books and recommended reads since the start of the pandemic, so it was extra special to hold one again this half term.

Our next Reading Cafes are on:

Tuesday 17th May for Early Years, Years 1 and 2

Tuesday 24th May for Years 3-6

We have some recommended reads and brilliant book lists on our website at:

<https://www.moorsideschools.org.uk/home-learning-and-websites/>

A trip to the library is a wonderful way to spend time with your children this Easter; they will also have a school reading book to read at home too.

Well done to our High 5 Readers this term, who will enjoy a story and S'mores by the campfire as their reward!

Jubilee

We are hoping to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in the week beginning 23.5.22 in school. If you have any ideas about how we might like to celebrate and/or mark this occasion so that it is memorable for our children (and families), please do send them to admin@moorside-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk.

Our whole school curriculum theme next term is 'Our Changing World' and we hope to use this opportunity to learn about how our Country and World has changed (within living memory) whilst Her Majesty the Queen has been on the throne!

Attendance

Nationally, Covid has been on the rise and this has affected our attendance, which has been 91.33% this week. The class with the highest attendance has been Year 3 with 97.53%! Well done to them!

School Uniform

As we begin the Summer term, please ensure that your child has school shoes (not sandals or trainers) to wear as part of their school uniform; trainers should only be worn on PE days.

Forest School and PE

Forest School and PE lessons will remain unchanged at the beginning of the new term for the first 3 weeks. We will notify you of the changes for week beginning 16th May, when we will swap Forest School groups until the end of term, so that it is fair for all and compliments the children's learning within the classroom. Please make sure that your child has wellies and waterproofs that fit at the ready if they are in Years 3, 4 or 6 for week beginning 16th May. Many thanks.

I hope that you all have a lovely Easter break and look forward to seeing you when we reopen on **Monday 25th April**.

Thank you for all your support this term - we really can give our children the best opportunities and educational experiences when we all work together.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Rowett

Headteacher



Diary Dates:

Friday 8 th April 2022	Break-up for the Easter Holidays
Monday 25 th April 2022	School Re-Opens
Monday 2 nd May 2022	May Day Bank Holiday
Tuesday 17 th May 2022	Reading Café – Early Years, Years 1 and 2
Tuesday 24 th May 2022	Reading Café – Years 3-6



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE DURING EASTER HALF TERM 2022



MARKS AND SPENCER

Kids eat free in the M&S Cafe if you spend £5. One free children's meal per transaction. Between 4th April and 22nd April.

MORRISONS

Kids eat free all day, every day in Morrisons cafes nationwide with one paying adult. Plus they have the feed the family for £10 deal running at Easter

YO! SUSHI

Pick any main, a side of edamame beans and drink and you'll get it free with a £10 adult spend throughout half term.

ASDA

Kids eat free in Asda's cafes after 3pm Monday - Friday.

GORDON RAMSAY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 12 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants.

BELLA ITALIA

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid from 1st April - 24th April 2022

TABLE TABLE, BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children get free breakfast with one paying adult! It has also been reported that if you sign up to their newsletter they send out a code for kids eat free, but I haven't personally tried this.

THE REAL GREEK

Kids eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult.

DUNELM CAFE-PAUSA

Kids eat FREE when adults spend just £4 or more at Pausa cafes which you will find inside Dunelm stores.

PRETO

Kids under 12 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants.

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat breakfast free when accompanied by a paying adult, all day every day through the Easter holidays from 9am - 12pm.

FARMHOUSE INNS

From 4th - 22nd April, Monday to Friday, up to two kids per paying adult can eat for just £1 each

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