

20<sup>th</sup> May 2022

## MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

What a lovely week we have had, enjoying the sunshine and learning about our environment within our lovely school grounds and local area. The children in years one and two went on a Geography field trip to identify human and physical features and on Wednesday, we loved our teddy bear hunt in the EYFS outdoor area, as part of our teddy bear's picnic. Thank you so much to parents, grandparents and family friends who could join us.

Next week, we are hoping for some equally as lovely weather for our Jubilee Celebration on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May.



### Platinum Jubilee

- Children can wear **red**, **white** and **blue** or garden party outfits all day for school. They do not need to be in PE kits.
- Royal Bake-Off competition entries can be delivered to the main office from **8.40am** onwards.
- The children will be taking part in jubilee-themed activities throughout the day.
- Cakes and bakes will be judged at **12 noon** by 'The Queen' and some supporting governors!
- At **3pm** parents are welcome to collect children.

For **SAFEGUARDING** – once children have been handed over to parents, please make sure that you know where they are. School staff will be running some of the stalls and events from 3.20pm onwards. Buddies children will be able to attend the Jubilee after school event with their staff.

- There will be a Tombola, Cake stall, Playground, tea towels on sale, games and races and a disco until roughly 6.30pm.
- There will be a BBQ from **3.40pm** onwards.
- You can visit the Queen's Gallery in the KS2 Learning Zone corridor (follow the signs....)

Please feel free to bring a picnic blanket and enjoy the music and refreshments! This event has been subsidised by the Friends of School to provide the disco, decorations and resources for activities for the children. Burgers, hot dogs, drinks, crisps, cakes and other refreshments will be on sale as well as our Jubilee tea towels, priced at £4 each or 3 for £10.

Please remember there will be no after school clubs on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May apart from Buddies.

Thank you **SO MUCH** to families who have donated to the Tombola. We have some brilliant prizes. If you have anything for this stall, please do bring the item to the school Main Reception.

### Attendance....

We have had a horrible stomach bug going around this week, as well as chicken pox! We hope that everyone affected feels better very soon. Our attendance overall has been 90.23%. Well done to Year 6 with 93.75%!

### Headlice

We have had some reoccurring cases of headlice in school...mainly in Key Stage 2. Please check your child's hair and treat them if you do spot them! Otherwise, they are shared very quickly! Thank you for your cooperation and support with this.



### Reading Survey

Thank you so much to everyone who completed our reading survey. Just over 50% of our families took part. We learnt that....

- Just over 50% of the children (whose parents responded) love reading, 32% varies from day to day!
- 79% read books to themselves twice per week or more with 50% 5 times per week, 4 seldom and 5 not at all.

- 60% of the children read to others twice per week or more, 20% less than twice per week, 20% do not read books to others.
- 52% of parents encourage their children to read for pleasure.
- 80% said that they read aloud to their child or encourage their child to read to them twice per week or more - 20% seldom. 78% of this group have a running dialogue about the story.
- 82.5% of children read and discuss books from school at home twice per week or more.
- 84% of our families who responded set aside reading time within the day.
- 83.3% of the responses said that school provides enough opportunities for information for parents to learn about how they can support their child at home with their reading.
- 64% of the responders feel that school communicates child's reading progress and ways to support continued growth (30% at least once per week) with 23% less than twice per month...
- 100% of the children have access to books at home

We also had some really supportive comments and suggestions about the work that we do, to teach children to read and promote a love of reading at Moorside. We will continue to visit Ripon Library with the children, enable them to attend author events run by the Little Ripon Bookshop when they are available, hold our month of Reading Madness each year, support children with Reading Eggs and Reading Plus, as well as run our Reading Cafes. We are really pleased that High 5 Reader Rewards help to motivate children to read at home too....

Parents are always welcome to visit our school library and borrow books for children to read at home if they cannot attend the Reading Café themselves. We do have Recommended Reads on our homework page on the website for parents to know which books might be suitable to purchase for children to read at home.

Y1 [booklist-Y1.pdf \(moorsideschools.org.uk\)](#),

Y2 [booklist-Y2.pdf \(moorsideschools.org.uk\)](#),

Y3 [booklist-Y3.pdf \(moorsideschools.org.uk\)](#),

Y4 [booklist-Y4.pdf \(moorsideschools.org.uk\)](#),

Y5 [booklist-Y5.pdf \(moorsideschools.org.uk\)](#) and

Y6 [booklist-Y6.pdf \(moorsideschools.org.uk\)](#)

Support with early reading at home can be found at: [Moorside Primary School and Nursery \(moorsideschools.org.uk\)](#)

As always, if you have any concerns at all and want a chat with your child's class teacher, Mrs Price or myself, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

Best wishes,

Mrs Rowett

**Headteacher**

#### **Diary Dates:**

Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Queen's Jubilee Celebrations
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Break-up for Half Term
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	School Closed for Staff Training
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	School Re-Opens after the Half Term Holidays
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	September 2022 New Reception Starters Parents Meeting (4.30pm)
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2022	September 2022 New Nursery Starters Parents Meeting (9.30am)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Y6 Leaver's Trip to London



# LET'S



# CELEBRATE

Please join us to celebrate Her Majesty  
The Queen's Platinum Jubilee on

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May from 3-7pm**



A Jubilee cake for a 'MOORSIDE ROYAL BAKE OFF' competition for our families and staff (to be judged at **noon** on the day, and then available to buy on our cake stall)

**3pm onwards** 'Vintage' playground and sports games for our families to play (as played by the Queen and her family over the past 70 years), refreshments, Tombola, cake stall....

**4.45pm** 'Fun at the races' (for families to take part-more details to follow)

**3.45pm until approximately 5.30pm** BBQ and refreshments

**3-4pm** Tours of our school by our Upper Key Stage 2 children to visit our *Queen's Portrait Gallery*

**3-7pm** Disco - music from throughout the 50s-present day...have a dance and play some games

**7pm** 'Carriages'/Finish

**Dress code:** Queen's Garden  
Party...'smart!'

