

## MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,



Highlights of this week have included our Reading Cafe, river dipping and of course our work based around Refugee Week...! Some fantastic learning inside and outside the classroom, and as always, we love having parents in school to share our reading experiences with us. If you couldn't make it, we hope that you'll be able to come next time, but you are able to visit our library at any time if you'd like to borrow a book to read at home!

On the subject of reading, our Friends of Moorside have helped us to purchase some new RECOMMENDED READS for our children to enjoy.

These are books that our children who are 'free readers' in Years 2-6 (when they are ready) can select as their reading book. They are recommended because the complexity and content of the text is assessed as being suitable for children at each stage in their reading. Recommended Reads will all have a sticker added to them so that you know that they are children's reading books. Please remember to sign children's Reading Logs each time they read to someone at home.

### Refugee Week and Keeping Safe

We have had a great week thinking about how we help all children to feel safe in our school and reflecting on whether there is anything we could do even better?

This has been the theme of our pupil voice. It has been useful to hear about this from the children's perspective.

The feedback has included:

*'Reminding each other to be helpful and kind....play buddies help children to play together'* (Y3 and Y5)

*'Help new children by making friends and showing them where things are'* (Y5)

*'Use the Worry box or talk to an adult – teachers comfort children when needed'* (All year groups)

*'PSHCE lessons teach us about how to be safe'* (Y5)

*'School trips teach us to cross roads properly'* (Y5)

*'Be kind to everyone is our rule'* (Key Stage 1)

*'We have fences and gates which are barriers to stop strangers from coming in'* (All year groups)

Ways that children felt we could improve are....

*'CCTV cameras'* (Y3)

*'Tell mum and dad where we are playing out'* (Key Stage 1)

As part of our Refugee Week work, we have given all the children a sunflower seed to plant, nurture and grow. We would love to see photos of their progress to add to our School of Sanctuary display. Thank you!

### Attendance

After a shakey start to the week on the attendance front, it seems that the dreaded sickness bug is finally subsiding! Slightly improved attendance with 90.88%.... Let's hope that everyone can be in school to enjoy the final 4 weeks of term.



### Internet Safety

With the Summer holidays looming, we continue to share updated internet safety information for parents.... I hope that you found the screen time poster helpful last week. This week it's YouTube.... The age restriction on YouTube is 13.

Top tips to keep children safe if they are accessing YouTube are:

- Turn on Restricted Mode
- Create a family account (so that you can see what your children are accessing)
- Block any accounts owned by people who are sending negative messages
- Monitor screen time in this app to look after your child's well-being.

I hope that you all have a super weekend ahead and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday, ready for another busy week. We are sure that the children in our Early Years will be looking forward to their trip to Thorp Perrow!

Best wishes,  
**Mrs Rowett**  
Headteacher

### Diary Dates:

Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	September 2022 New Reception Starters Parents Meeting (4.30pm)
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	EYFS Trip to Thorp Perrow
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2022	September 2022 New Nursery Starters Parents Meeting (9.30am)
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Y5 Trip to Beamish
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Y6 Leaver's Trip to London
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Pirate Day for children in Reception
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	1.30pm – Oliver Production in the hall
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Sports Day (more details to follow)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	9.30am – Oliver Production in the hall 6.00pm – Oliver Production in the hall
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022	School Closes at 3pm for the Summer Holidays
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	School Re-opens for the new school year





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