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MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

Well - I cannot believe that I am writing the last newsletter for this academic year! It honestly feels like 5 minutes since September!

Oliver

This week's main event has been our Key Stage 2 production, Oliver Twist. The children all put on a fantastic show. Thank you to everyone who came to watch - every great show needs a great audience! A huge well done to everyone involved.

School Council

Our School Council have worked in collaboration with our play buddies and Friends of School this year to improve playtimes by purchasing some new sports equipment. They audited the resources that we had, researched items that we could buy and then put forward a plea to the Friends of School who provided the money through their many fundraising events. The improved equipment has provided more opportunities for games and fitness activities. Thank you to our School Council this year and thank you to our Friends of Moorside!



FOMS update....

Over the last year, our small group of FOMS have raised over £3700 through the Christmas Fair, Easy Fundraising, a sponsored bunny bounce, Bag2School, Jubilee Day BBQ and Tombola, Valentines Disco, My Child's Art, tea towels and selling lollies! They have donated over £3700 to pay for transport for school trips, ice lollies, Christmas book gifts, a Maths Workshop, Leavers' Hoodies, popcorn for a film morning, Orienteering Maps and controls and lots of lollies!!

We have a few members leaving the FOMS team this Summer as their children are in Year 6. A huge thank you goes to Mrs Bainbridge, Mrs Campbell and Mrs Hood for helping over many years....! They have been such an important part of the team and will be truly missed! Mrs Pickard and Mrs Gorman also have children leaving Year 6 but are 'FOMS remainers' and we are very grateful to them for their continuing support. We have had a few new people joining the FOMS team recently - new parents/grandparents. Extra hands are always a great help, whether it's selling lollies or labelling tombola prizes! ALL WELCOME! Thank you so much to everyone on the team for your support and help – it really is appreciated and makes SUCH a difference!



Attendance and Holidays

Our whole school attendance has been 89.31% this week. This school year it has been 93.13%. We are aiming for at least 96% for all pupil groups. Attendance at school really does matter as lost learning time impacts negatively on pupil progress which in turn can affect their well-being. Unfortunately, we cannot authorise term time holidays. Thank you for supporting us with this matter.

Internet Safety and Children's Mental Health

I cannot reiterate enough how important it is to monitor your child's phones/internet use as much as you can, to check what they are accessing and who is messaging them on apps if you allow them to use them. When they are exposed to content that is not appropriate for them, it does affect their mental health and well-being, both in the short and long term. If you have concerns about your child's well-being, there is a new North Yorkshire portal where you can access support for them. This is called the 'Go To' website. Please take a look - it's just handy to know that it is there if you need it! <https://thegoto.org.uk>

We say a sad farewell to Mrs Rowe today and wish her lots of luck. We hope that when baby Rowe comes along, she might be able to come and visit. Thank you Mrs Rowe for all your contributions to our team.

We also say a sad farewell to our lovely Year 6 children, who are ready for new and exciting adventures at secondary school. They are a fantastic group of children who have really made us proud throughout their time with us. We know that they are secondary-ready and will continue to thrive in their new settings. Their teacher, Miss Rogan also has an exciting time ahead this term, as she will be getting married in August. We look forward to hearing all about it when she returns to school as Mrs Jemmett in September! Good Luck Miss Rogan!



Happy holidays and a huge thank you to you all for all your support this year. It is so important that we work together to support your children, who we feel privileged to teach and care for each day. If you have any urgent matters over the holidays that you need to contact us about, we will check the admin email weekly. I do hope that you all have a lovely time with your families over the next 6 weeks and we look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 7th September.

With very best wishes,
Mrs Rowett
Headteacher

