

4th November 2022

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

We have had a great start to the Autumn 2 half term! The children have settled back into their well established routines quickly. Attendance has been below what we need it to be this week at 93.88% across the whole school. Each class's attendance is as follows:



w/c	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
31.10.22	90.54%	95.65%	98.86%	91.84%	96.45%	92.9%	91.63%

Well done to Year 2, who are in the lead with 98.86% this week!

Due to the fact that we alternate Forest School each half term, there have been a couple of changes to timetables.

PE days are now as follows:

Reception: Monday
Y1: Tuesday & Friday
Y2: Tuesday
Y3: Wednesday & Friday
Y4: Tuesday & Wednesday
Y5: Friday
Y6: Tuesday

Forest School days are:

Wednesdays - Years 5 and Year 6
Fridays - Nursery, Reception and Year 2

Earrings

We cannot allow children to put tape on earrings for PE lessons. The North Yorkshire policy states that for safety reasons, they must be removed. Please ensure that children wear studs only at school and if they cannot remove earrings themselves, that they do not wear them on PE days. Children should also not be wearing make-up or nail varnish at school. Many thanks.

Remembrance

What a great experience for our Service children to join other pupils from forces families across North Yorkshire for the 'Service to Remember' at Ripon Cathedral this afternoon with some of their friends from Moorside. As always, we were so proud of them as they were fantastic ambassadors for our school. The art work that they created, to commemorate Her Majesty the Queen and her involvement with the Armed Forces really is super and looked impressive on display in the Cathedral.

Our whole school will be focusing on learning about why we wear a poppy next week through art, history lessons and poetry. Our children in Years 5 and 6 are looking forward to visiting 3 local care homes in our community to perform songs from World War II, which we are sure they will enjoy.

Every child in Reception to Y6 will be able to paint a pebble in school next week for our war memorial and the children in Nursery will be making some crosses. We will be having a special Remembrance Assembly on Friday 11th November at 10.50am to share the children's work across the school and we will hold a 2 minute silence at 11am.



Poppies for sale....

We will be selling poppies, wrist bands and other items for the British Legion from Monday. Your child is welcome to bring £1 or more into school for our collection or to buy anything that they would like.

Friends of Moorside

Our Friends of Moorside have shared their news update attached to this letter.

We are so grateful for all the prizes that they have been receiving for the Christmas raffle....

Champagne afternoon tea for two at Grantley Hall, vouchers from G Craggs, afternoon tea at Rudding Park, days out at Cannon Hall Farm, Lightwater Valley, Bolton Castle, Thorpe Perrow, North Yorkshire Moors Railway, gifts from K A Andersons, Panther Construction Products, F B Taylor, Forbes, Eastwick Handbags & Accessories, Claire's Nails, Masons Gin & Whitcliffe Aromas!! If you know of anyone or a business who may like to donate a prize, please do let us know! The raffle will be drawn on the 15th December - tickets will be shared soon!

Our Christmas Fair is on **Wednesday 14th December** from 2.30pm onwards.

Our Christmas lunch will also be on this day.

Other dates for December will be shared at the end of this letter.



Ripon Library

We are so lucky to have such a great library in Ripon. We always receive a warm welcome when we visit.

On Monday 7th November they are holding 2 events:

A 'Grab Your Book' Children's book club for 7-11 year olds from 4-5pm (01609 536623 to secure a free space).

An evening of Bollywood Dance from 6-7.30pm. Both sound like great fun!

Online Safety



There is a dangerous new app linked to Snapchat called 'Send it' which has put children at risk of exploitation and bullying. There is further information on the link below and the poster attached but PLEASE regularly check what your child is up to online, and monitor their phones. We have had reports and incidents across the school as a result of pupils following or talking to people who are not known to them online, and they are playing on games/accessing apps that have age restrictions beyond their actual age. The age restrictions are there because children below the age of 13, for example, are not emotionally mature enough to deal with the content and associated risks!!

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/news-blogs/what-is-sendit/>

It is our shared priority to keep all our children safe online.

I hope that you all have a super weekend and enjoy bonfire night celebrations! Keep safe and warm if you are watching the fireworks! Thank you for all your support and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Rowett

Headteacher

Diary Dates:

Thursday 10 th November	Y5 & Y6 Wartime Singing at Local Care Homes
14 th – 18 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 14 th November	Wear Odd Socks to School Day
Monday 21 st November	Flu Immunisations (please see the letter that has been sent home & emailed)
Tuesday 22 nd November	Y6 Crucial Crew Visit
Monday 28 th November	Individual School Photographs
w/c 5 th & 12 th December	Parents Evenings (more details to follow)
Monday 5 th December	2pm Key Stage 1 Nativity – A Christmas Recipe
Tuesday 6 th December	9.30am Key Stage 1 Nativity – A Christmas Recipe
Wednesday 7 th December	2pm Early Years (Nursery and Reception) Nativity
Thursday 8 th December	9.30am Early Years (Nursery and Reception) Nativity
Monday 12 th December	1.45pm Key Stage 2 performance – Letters from the Trenches
Tuesday 13 th December	5.30pm Key Stage 2 performance – Letters from the Trenches
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas Lunch Day – Christmas Jumpers can be worn
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas Fair from 2.30pm
Thursday 15 th December	Christmas Raffle to be drawn
Friday 16 th December	Christmas parties (non-uniform) Break-up for the Christmas holidays at 3.00pm
Tuesday 3 rd January 2023	Training Day
Wednesday 4 th January 2023	School Re-opens for the Spring Term

SENDIT

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ANONYMOUS RESPONSES

MENTAL HEALTH IMPACT

MEMBERSHIP COSTS

BULLYING AND HARASSMENT

POSSIBLE GROOMING

REPEATED ENGAGEMENT

On Sendit, users receive trophies for reaching a particular number of responses, for answering friends' questions and for posting their own. This sense of achievement could incentivise a young person to be active on Sendit more frequently – spending more time on their phone or tablet as they may naturally want to collect all of the trophies or might be competing with their peers.

Advice for Parents & Carers

ENCOURAGE EMPATHY

TALK IT OVER

BLOCK IN-APP PURCHASES

ONLY PLAY WITH FRIENDS

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