

8<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

It has been a wonderfully warm week to welcome our children back to school. We are really pleased to have welcomed lots of new children to join Team Moorside too and we hope that they have enjoyed their first week. It has been lovely to see children settling into the routines at school, playing with their friends and getting back into the rhythm of learning together.

Kenya, North America and the Tudors have been the drivers for our topic launches, which all link to our whole school theme, 'Our Changing World/Climate' based on power, habitats and extinction! The children have enjoyed talking about their learning and gaining a flavour of what's to come!!

Homework challenges, learning letters and knowledge mats have been sent out to parents today; we hope that you enjoy completing them together.

### Attendance

As always.....we are aiming for 100% attendance but at least 96%. There is a wealth of research to evidence that being in school is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing and wider development.

This week, our whole school attendance is: 96.82%

Each class:



w/c	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
08.09.23	96.25%	96.89%	99.35%	96.88%	100%	97.94%	90.58%

### Attendance Ladder



## Community Wellness Gateway



I am absolutely delighted to share that we are fortunate to be working with The Wellness Gateway to facilitate 'A Community Wellness Hub'. The CEO, Gail Donan, has secured funding to support adults with mental, physical, emotional and social well-being and we are providing a safe space within our school building for appointments to be made. If you are interested and would like to make an appointment or find out more, please email [liaison@thewellnessgateway.org](mailto:liaison@thewellnessgateway.org). Sessions will begin on Tuesday 19th September.

\*Please note that this is independent from school and all bookings will be managed and delivered by The Wellness Gateway.

## Filtering and Monitoring Internet Use

Our staff training on Monday included safeguarding input about filtering internet content and the different measures that we must uphold as a school to keep our children safe online. It is vital that we work together on this mission!

Have you checked your child's search history?

Is your child accessing games that are age appropriate?

Is your child messaging contacts that they know online?

Have you checked internet downloads?

For more information about implementing parental controls to filter content and keep your child safe at home, please visit:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>

We prioritise keeping our children safe and would be more than happy to support with setting up parental controls on home devices if you need. Please contact the school office if you need some help.

## Sockettes Song and Speech Group

Ripon Library have a fantastic group for parents of children aged 3-4 to help with speech development. Please see the flyer at the end of the Newsletter for further details.

We sent our Home School Charter to families this week, which we hope you will be able to read with your child(ren) and send your signed agreements back into school.



It is essential that we work together to nurture and support our children in their learning and well-being, so any information that you can share is always extremely useful. We will be arranging a number of parent workshops and events to share our curriculum and learning too, and hope that you will be able to attend. Please see dates on our Newsletters.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

With very best wishes,  
Mrs Rowett  
**Headteacher**

**Diary Dates:**

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Reception Phonics Meeting for Parents – 3.30pm
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2023	Jeans for Genes Day (more details to follow)
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Reading Cafe
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	World Mental Health Day
w/c 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Harvest Week
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Break-up for Half Term Holidays
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Children Return to School after the Half Term Holidays
w/c 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Armistice/Armed Forces Week
w/c 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Anti-Bullying Week & Divali Week
w/c 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	EYFS & KS1 World Nursery Rhyme Week
w/c 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Art Week
w/c 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Parents Evenings (more details to follow)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2023	Break-up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Children Return to School after the Christmas Holidays



## **Sockettes Song & Speech Group**

**A fun group session, for children  
aged 3 - 4 years, accompanied by  
Parents / Carers**



**Venue: Ripon Library, The Arcade, Ripon, HG4 1AG**

**Dates: Thursdays for a 45-minute session, 10.30 am to 11.15 am,  
for 7 weeks - 5<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> October & 2<sup>nd</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

*Come have fun with music, rhyme, & rhythm activities to help develop  
speech sound skills in readiness for school*

*Groups are free & will be run by a Speech and Language Therapist &  
Assistant from the NYC SEND Hub Communication & Interaction Team*

*Limited to 8 children per group*

*A Baseline Assessment of your Child's speech sounds will be taken  
along with parent/carer voice feedback*

**To book your child's place please contact**

**Kirsty Voice:**

**[Kirsty.Voice@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:Kirsty.Voice@northyorks.gov.uk)**



**We look forwards to seeing you 😊**

