

6th October 2023

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

We have had a week of 'firsts' at Moorside....

Our first Reading Cafe of the year which was really well attended - it was so lovely to see so many parents enjoying lots of reading activities with the children.



We have also made it onto the front page of the Ripon Gazette with the first school photo for our new starters in Reception being published! Our first FOMS meeting of the year was on Thursday and it was great to welcome new parents too - they have some brilliant new ideas for fun events this year to raise some money for our school! If you would like to support our FOMS in any way that you can but couldn't attend the meeting, please let our admin team know in the office and they will put you in touch with them!

School Drop-off and Collection - Safety First!

If your child is being collected from school by an adult who is not on your contacts list in school (for example, another parent of a member of a family who is not known to school), please could you inform the school office yourself. This information must be shared by an adult with parental responsibility, not the adult who is collecting. We also cannot release children to teenagers under the age of 16.

Could I also remind you that all children from Reception to Year 6 must be supervised by an adult on the playground at the start of the school day. This is to ensure that they arrive into the school building safely. Thank you!

Attendance

We have had lots of bugs and viruses in school this week! Our attendance has therefore been 92.18%. Each class has been as follows:



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%
11.09.23	93.18%	94.69%	100%	96.46%	94.74%	96.83%	99.59%
18.09.23	93.6%	96.62%	96.95%	96.43%	96.83%	98.81%	98.15%
25.09.23	95.4%	95.65%	98.99%	96.83%	96.83%	96.18%	100%
02.10.23	92.53%	95.19%	98.48%	90.91%	96.84%	89.69%	85.37%

We hope that everyone has a good rest over the weekend and feels much better soon!!

Tuesday 10th October - World Mental Health Day



Our children will be taking part in a number of activities to teach them about Mental Health and helping them to recognise how to help themselves to keep mentally healthy on Tuesday 10th October. They should wear their usual uniform/PE kit on that day but if they have something yellow that they would like to wear with their uniform (a t-shirt/socks/hair band/cap/hair bobble) to show their support for mental health, they are most welcome to. This is not a fundraising event.

Harvest

As part of our Harvest week, our children will all meet Power Down Pete on 17th October for a workshop all about Climate Change! We will be having our Harvest Assembly for Reception parents and families on Thursday 19th October at 9.30am. We would appreciate any donations of 'in-date' tins and dried foods into school by Wednesday 18th October to support our local food banks.



Bonfire Disco



Our FOMS are holding a bonfire themed disco on Tuesday 7th November.... Early Years and Key Stage 1 - 4.30-5.45pm and Key Stage 2 - 6.00-7.30pm. Entry is £2.50 per child which includes unlimited free drinks and a packet of crisps! There will also be hot-dogs, popcorn and cakes to buy on the night! More information to follow!

Service Pupils Art workshop

Our service pupils enjoyed an art workshop on Tuesday with the Service Pupils Champion, Angela Calvert. Their work will be on display in Ripon Cathedral for when they attend the Armistice Service for military pupils across North Yorkshire on 10th November. Their poppy-themed art was beautiful!



Community Wellness Hub

Just a reminder that we have our Community Wellness Hub in the school library each week on a Tuesday. If you are interested in finding out more about their work, please contact Mrs Price or email: liaison@thewellnessgateway.org. This takes place in the privacy of our library and is a separate support network to school, so information is only shared with us at your request.

We hope that you have a restful and relaxing weekend. If you have any concerns or would like to catch up with your child's class teacher, please do get in touch with us at the school office as soon as you can so that we can work together to support our children. I look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday - hopefully all feeling fit and well!!

With very best wishes,
Mrs Rowett
Headteacher

Diary Dates:

Tuesday 10 th October 2023	World Mental Health Day – wear something yellow!
Thursday 19 th October 2023	Harvest Assembly for Parents of Children in Reception at 9.30am
Friday 27 th October 2023	Break-up for Half Term Holidays
Monday 6 th November 2023	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 7 th November 2023	Children Return to School after the Half Term Holidays
Tuesday 7 th November 2023	Bonfire Night Disco Early Years and Key Stage 1 - 4.30-5.45pm and Key Stage 2 - 6.00-7.30pm
w/c 11 th November 2023	Armistice/Armed Forces Week
w/c 13 th November 2023	Anti-Bullying Week & Divali Week
w/c 13 th November 2023	EYFS & KS1 World Nursery Rhyme Week
Friday 17 th November 2023	Individual School Photographs
w/c 4 th December 2023	Art Week
w/c 11 th December 2023	Parents Evenings (more details to follow)
Friday 22 nd December 2023	Break-up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 8 th January 2024	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 9 th January 2024	Children Return to School after the Christmas Holidays
22 nd – 26 th January 2024	Y6 Residential Trip to Marrick Priory