

20th October 2023

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

It has been Harvest time at Moorside this week!! We kicked off with an Eco day on Tuesday to help us to understand the positive things that we can do to help our planet and the impact of global warming!

The children have already been turning ALL the lights off in school when rooms are not in use.... we hope you haven't unexpectedly been plunged into darkness at home too!

Harvest

On Wednesday our whole school enjoyed a marvellous assembly prepared by our Reception children as a 'dress rehearsal' before they 'wowed' their parents yesterday. The children sang their songs and shared their lines with great confidence- I was so proud of them all! Well done Reception!

Thank you so much for your wonderful donations as part of our Harvest collection. We will be sharing these with our local food bank who I know will appreciate your generosity!



Attendance

We continue to have a number of staff who are off with illness. I just wanted to thank our teachers and teaching assistants who have been helping to keep everything settled in school, done extra hours here and there and been extremely flexible to cover classes. Lots of our children have also been suffering from 'the lurgy' - we hope that they all feel better very soon! Our attendance this week has therefore only been 93.47% and the class who have been least affected by all the bugs are Year 1!! Well done to them!



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%
09.10.23	93.18%	92.34%	100%	90.94%	99.47%	93.33%	95.08%
16.10.23	90.06%	97.1%	94.97%	92.09%	95.79%	90.2%	93.5%

Disco



Please see our poster about our disco on 7th November at the end of this Newsletter - it's our **FIRST BONFIRE DISCO** at Moorside!! (no Halloween costumes please). Our discos are always great fun - we hope that lots of you will make it! Please note that all children in EYFS and Key Stage 1 should be accompanied throughout by an adult and all children in Key Stage 2 must be collected at the end!

Uniform

Our next buy, sell, swap uniform sale is on Thursday 26th November at the end of the school day.... Any donations would be greatly appreciated at the school office to be delivered on any day next week. Thank you all - we hope you find this useful too!

Headlice



We have unfortunately had some cases of headlice in school. Please could you check your child's hair regularly and ensure that long hair is tied back. If your child does have headlice, they need to be treated immediately to prevent spread in school.

Christmas Dates

Our Christmas dates for performances and productions are at the end of this newsletter... We are already starting our 'My Child's Art' card designs in school next week, which you will be able to buy online with a code provided in due course!!



Safeguarding – Choking

If you are sending your child into school with grapes for their lunch or breaktime snack, please ensure that you have cut them in half to reduce any risk of them choking. Many thanks.

Forest School

Our **Year 6** children will have **Forest School** on Tuesday morning next week. Please could you ensure that they have warm layers on and bring wellies and waterproofs with them? Years 1 and 5 will have their final sessions for this term next week. After half term, **Year 4** will have Forest School on a **Wednesday** and **Year 2** on a **Friday**. Please ensure that the children have suitable clothing as the weather will be getting colder! Many thanks!

Stay safe in the stormy weather this weekend and have a good rest before our final week of the half term everyone.

With very best wishes,
Mrs Rowett
Headteacher

Diary Dates:

Wednesday 25 th October 2023	EYFS Superhero dress up day!
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)
11 th December 2023 1.30pm	Key Stage 1 Christmas Production
12 th December 2023 9.30am	Key Stage 1 Christmas Production
13 th December 2023 9.30am	Nursery and Reception Nativity
14 th December 2023 1.30pm	Nursery and Reception Nativity
18 th December 2023 1.30pm	Key Stage 2 Christmas Production 1.30pm
19 th December 2023 9.30am	Key Stage 2 Christmas Production 9.30am
20 th December 2023 2.15pm- 4pm	Moorside Christmas Fair
Thursday 21st December 2023 Time TBC	Bedtime Stories by the Christmas Tree (In place of our Reading Café)
Friday 22 nd December 2023	Break-up for Christmas Holidays 3pm
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

