

8th December 2023

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

The wind, rain and freezing temperatures have not dampened our spirits this week as rehearsals for our Christmas performances continue and the children are getting excited about the events planned over the coming weeks! We had our Key Stage 1 Dress Rehearsal yesterday in front of Nursery, Reception and Years 3 to 6. It really was a treat and we are very much looking forward to welcoming families to enjoy it with us on Monday and Tuesday, followed by the Early Years performance on Wednesday and Thursday. We had a visit from the Yorkshire Post to watch our Key Stage 1 Nativity, and we look forward to seeing press coverage of our performance, 'A King is Born' in the newspaper over the coming weeks – keep your eyes peeled!!



I would like to say a huge thank you to parents across our school for providing costumes/bringing in clothes or props for the children to wear on the stage. We really appreciate your help and support. Please do not panic if you do not have an item that we have requested....just let us know and we will get something sorted for them!



Years 3 and 4 have enjoyed a visit to Hellwath to take part in field work over the past 2 weeks, to observe the journey of the river, following on from their 'River Van' experience earlier this half term. Thank you to Mrs Goss for organising this opportunity – the children have completed some excellent annotated sketches and diagrams to consolidate their learning in Geography.

Attendance

This week's attendance is 93.38%. Well done to Year 6 with 96.84%! This is the highest this week!!



w/c	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
06.11.23	82.64%	98.76%	99.38%	94.42%	99.35%	92.89%	100%
13.11.23	90.7%	90.87%	99.03%	95.24%	98.99%	95.24%	99.21%
20.11.23	98.68%	100%	97.58%	93.28%	91.96%	91.7%	92.13%
27.11.23	90.64%	87.44%	94.2%	98.41%	91.92%	92.86%	96.83%
04.12.23	90.64%	96.62%	95.14%	88.1%	95.45%	89.72%	96.84%

Attendance is dwindling in some year groups and we have had quite a few children arriving at school late. This impacts on the start of the school day, not only for the child who is late but for the children who are settled in lessons that are interrupted by late arrivals. Please could you ensure that children arrive at school at 8.50am promptly and if they really are too poorly to attend school, let us know as soon as possible – Thank you!!

Christmas Colour Tombola and Raffle

Thank you SO much to everyone who has donated to the colour Tombola and the raffle.... we really appreciate your support. Just a reminder that the school council are collecting the following items for their stall on 20th December and would love some help:

We are hoping to create a Christmas Colour Extravaganza! In view of this we are kindly asking for gifts from parents/carers for your child's class colour as follows:

Reception – Chocolates and Biscuits

Year 1 and 2 – Red (e.g. candle, bottle of red wine)

Year 3 and 4 – Green (e.g. box of matchmakers, bubble bath)

Year 5 and 6 – Silver/Gold (e.g. beauty products, crackers)

End of Term Events

Our Christmas performances begin next week - please ensure that you arrive in good time before the start. The Friends of School will be selling refreshments and raffle tickets at each play.

Each child can have 2 family members at their performance- we will sign you in on the door.

Christmas parties are on Thursday 21st December- children can wear party clothes to school on that day (even if it's usually a PE day).



Parent Consultations

If you have signed up for a parent consultation next week, your child's books will be shared with you during the meeting and you can then take them outside the classroom to have a look at them following your chat with their teacher and leave them in the box before you go home. We will email reports shared during consultations out to parents by next Friday. If you haven't signed up for a meeting this term, you can arrange to see your child's teacher at a mutually convenient time in January.

It's a very busy end to the term - the children are certainly getting tired!! Please ensure that you keep an eye on dates and events that are sent out in our Newsletter so that you know what is happening and when! We do our very best to give you as much notice as possible via texts, Newsletters, Marvellous Me's and our Facebook page, so that everyone can be included and involved in all opportunities! We look forward to welcoming you to as many as possible.

I hope that you all have a restful weekend, ready for next week!

With very best wishes,

Mrs Rowett

Headteacher

Diary Dates:

w/c 11 th December 2023	Parents Evenings *No clubs apart from Mr Doey's Sports Club & Buddies this week!
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



Moorside's Christmas Raffle 2023

Andersons - Vouchers
The Little Ripon Bookshop - £10 voucher
Forbes - Candle
Baroque Hairdressers - Baroque experience
Eastwick- Gift bag
The Greenhouse - £10 voucher
Grantley Hall - Tea for two
FB Taylor - Hamper
Scarborough Water Park - Gift Card
Piglets Farm - 2 x Child entry
Harrogate Town Football Club - Family tickets
Nails By Claire - Voucher
Ripon Museums - Year family pass
Ripon Pet Shop - Gift
Stuff for Offices - Pen
Bolton Castle - Family ticket
NYMR - Tickets
Yorkshire Wildlife Park - Family ticket
Studley Royal Garden Centre - Voucher

Donations - Christmas candles
Tub Celebrations
Toys
Candle
Tub Quality Street
Ferrerro Rocher

