

27th September 2024

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

We have loved welcoming some of our grandparents into school this week! On Monday, Mrs Harris came to tell the children in Years 1 and 2 all about what homes were like in the past.... She even bought in some of her old toys to share!! The children asked some great questions. We were delighted to welcome Mrs Burke back on this occasion too, to share all her memories about what her home was like when she was a little girl!!



We were also delighted to welcome some special visitors to Year 5 - Mr Beckett and his Mum (Hannah's Granny) spoke to us about her experiences of the war (even though she was very young at the time) and shared with us some artefacts that she has kept from the war time. Year 5 loved listening to her stories and looking at all the artefacts. A massive thank you to them both for spending their time coming into school to share their experiences.



Reading Café We can't wait to welcome parents to our Reading Cafe on Tuesday 1st October at 3.20pm until 4pm. There will be refreshments and reading activities linked to our selected authors for our classes this year....

Our school library is also brimming with books that you can borrow and we even have a library scavenger hunt for you to have a go at!



Safeguarding



We have shared through our Home School Charter and previous communications that we do not allow children's mobile phones on school site. Smart watches or any other devices that children can use to take photos or share information about others are also not to be brought into school please. This is to keep our school community safe. If you do have concerns about your child walking home from school without a phone,



then we would suggest that you arrange for them to be collected. Thank you for your support with this.

PLEASE ensure you are monitoring your children online. We are seeing more incidents relating to negative online relationships out of school, which is causing anxiety in children and friendship issues, both in and out of school. **Please** remember..... the following apps are not to be used by primary aged children:

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?



There is lots of information and support for parents about 'parental controls' on the NSPCC website at <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>

FOMS

Our first FOMS meeting of the year is in school on **Tuesday 1st October** straight after drop off! Any parents who would like to join us to meet our Friends of School are very welcome - we would love to have some new faces on our friendly team! Please meet us at the main Reception.

Asda



Asda's 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative is still available to sign up to. To support our school, all you have to do is opt-in through the Asda Rewards app and then shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com between 2nd September and 30th November 2024. Every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts-in to support our Primary school, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. You do not need a code to sign up to this.

Attendance

Attendance this week has been 93.6%.



w/c	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
02.09.24	100%	95.31%	99.38%	95.19%	96.76%	100%	93.33%
09.09.24	98.94%	91.56%	98.33%	98.72%	99.18%	99.49%	94.29%
16.09.24	97.18%	85.16%	96.69%	99.57%	93.42%	97.73%	92.86%
23.09.24	98.11%	81.94%	96.69%	92.8%	91.3%	97.99%	92.31%

Well done to Reception with 98.11%!!

Ripon in Bloom

We are delighted to have been awarded the **SILVER GILT** in the 'schools' category for Ripon in Bloom, which was judged during the Summer term. A HUGE thank you to our Forest School Team, Mrs Simms and Mrs Atha, for all their hard work and hours spent maintaining our grounds. We have an **AMAZING** pond, 2 wildlife areas, herb gardens and an orchard, as well as planters for growing plants and vegetables, which are all used by our pupils in Forest School sessions and our Early Years children. Have you seen their amazing sunflowers in their outdoor area?! They certainly cheer us up in this Autumnal weather! Well done everyone!



As the weather is getting colder, please could you ensure that your child brings a coat to school each day, so that even if it is drizzling a bit, we can get them out for some fresh air!! Many thanks!

I hope you all have a great weekend ahead - we look forward to seeing you next week and hope to catch up with as many of you as possible at our Reading Cafe on Tuesday!

With very best wishes,

Mrs Rowett
Headteacher

Diary Dates:

Tuesday 1 st October 2024	Reading Café
Thursday 3 rd October 2024	Year 3 and Year 4 to Yorkshire Museum
Monday 7 th October 2024	Year 1 Phonics meeting in the school hall – 3.20pm
Tuesday 8 th October 2024	KS1 Trip to Castle Museum in York
Thursday 24 th October 2024	Flu Immunisations (children will not automatically receive a vaccination. Please see the letter that has been emailed home about how to apply for your child to receive one)
Friday 25 th October 2024	Break-up for Half Term Holidays
Monday 4 th November 2024	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 5 th November 2024	Children return to School
Tuesday 12 th November 2024	Individual School Photographs

Please see below holiday activities that may be of interest:

NOT SUPER SCARY HALLOWEEN HOLIDAY CLUB

BOROUGHBRIDGE ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Ages 5-11

Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st October

Performing Arts Centre
Boroughbridge High School

9:30am - 15:30pm
(wrap around-ones available)

£30 per day
Includes morning snack and all materials to take home at the end of each session

Come and join us for two days of SPOOKTACULAR fun-filled activities

- Spooky Spells
- Develish Dancing
- Pumpkin Decorating
- Team Competitions
- Crazy Crafts
- Monster Music

Ending with our HALLOWEEN PARTY (Thursday)

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