

3rd November 2025



MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and friends,

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a wonderful week over half term and that your children are ready for the second part of the Autumn term. It is one of the busiest half terms of the school year!! We will continue to share updates in our weekly Newsletters every Monday so that you are well informed about events in school!

Pumpkins!

Thank you so much to all our children who entered our pumpkin competition at the end of the first half term and to Mr Dawes for providing all the battery candles to light them up!

The winners were Rosie in Reception, Henry in Y2, Charlie in Y3 and Eloise in Y6.

Thank you to Mrs Hampshire and Mrs Binks for judging and to the FOMS for the great bookshop prizes!



Poppies

Our poppies have arrived in school for Remembrance Day next Tuesday. Our Year 6 children will be in charge of selling them at breaktime each day so if your child would like to buy one of the items so that they can wear a poppy, please send them to school with a donation of at least £1 to go in the collection. Many thanks.



PE and Forest School Days

Just to confirm PE and Forest School days for this half term are:

Reception: PE on a Thursday, Forest School on Friday.

Y1: PE on a Wednesday, Forest School on Friday pm.

Y2: PE on a Monday, Forest School on Wednesday pm.

Y3: PE on a Wednesday and Friday.

Y4: Forest School on Friday am and swimming on a Friday pm.

Y5: PE on a Monday and Wednesday

Y6: PE on a Thursday and Friday.

Please ensure that they have appropriate kit on that day.

Y4 will continue with swimming until Christmas.



Please can you ensure that children have plenty of layers and their waterproofs and wellies as well as hats and gloves for Forest School as the weather gets colder!

All earrings must be removed for PE lessons and long hair needs to be tied back. We really appreciate your help with this.

Reading Plus and Reading Eggs



We recommend that children use Reading Plus at home at least 3 times per week! All passwords for Reading Plus and Reading Eggs are in children's reading records. We have a Reading Plus information evening on Monday 17th November so that you can support your child with this at home. All parents of children in Years 3-6 are very welcome. On arrival every adult will receive a free raffle ticket for the chance to win a Reading raffle prize! We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

School collection

Please could you give us as much warning as possible if an alternative adult is collecting your child at the end of the school day?

This is so that we can ensure that we can get messages down to classrooms in time for pick-ups, and to avoid people having to wait for us to ensure that everyone is going home with the correct adult. We hope you understand that this is to keep everyone safe. As the evenings get darker, please ensure that you are close enough to the exit doors so that staff can see you - it is difficult under hoods and umbrellas when the light is getting dimmer! Thank you!

Attendance

Our attendance will be monitored by the Local Authority at the end of term - children whose attendance is below 92% will be highlighted to us to provide additional information about any authorised and unauthorised absences. We always try our best to support families who are struggling to get children into school on time and will continue to do so to avoid any action and fining by the Local Authority. If your child's attendance is a concern and you need any support, please contact Mrs Price who is our first point of call to help with this. We will continue to celebrate good attendance in school so that everyone is able to play and learn together without missing vital time in education.



Parent Consultations

Our Parent Consultations are taking place tomorrow and Wednesday. Buddies children will be in the hall. Key Stage 2 books and waiting spaces will be in the Buddies area - our learning zone. You can enter for Reception and Key Stage 1 through the same doors as your children do each morning and you'll see some tables to wait at and look at your children's work. We also have a reading survey that we are carrying out and would really appreciate it if you could complete this and put your feedback in the labelled boxes. The teachers are looking forward to meeting with you this week!

I hope that you all have a great week ahead.... As always, we are on the other end of the phone or an email if you have any questions, queries or information to share that will help us to support your child together.

With very best wishes,



Mrs Rowett
Headteacher

Diary Dates:

Tuesday 4 th November 2025	Children Return to School after Half Term Holidays
Tuesday 4 th & Wednesday 5 th November 2025	Parents Consultation Evenings
w/c 10 th November 2025	Anti-Bullying Week
w/c 17 th November 2025	EYFS & KS1 Nursery Rhyme Week
Monday 17 th November 2025	Reading Plus Information Evening for Parents of Children in Y3-6 at 3.30pm
Tuesday 9 th December 2025	EYFS Christmas Productions at 9.30am and 1.45pm
Thursday 11 th December 2025	KS1 Christmas Productions at 9.30am and 1.45pm
Tuesday 16 th December 2025	KS2 Christmas Productions 9.15am and 2pm
Tuesday 16 th December 2025	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 19 th December 2025	Carols Around the Tree – morning (more details to follow)
Friday 19 th December 2025	Break-up at 3pm for Christmas Holidays
Monday 5 th January 2026	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 6 th January 2026	Children Return to School after the Christmas Holidays