

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and friends,

December is upon us and therefore one of the busiest months of the school year with all our traditions and festivities as well as end of term assessments and reports to share to celebrate the children's learning this term! It is the start of Advent today and it certainly is a time of 'preparation'!!

The children have shown amazing resilience in their outdoor learning, despite the cold weather and rain last week! Reception loved hammering away to make their very own Owl Babies, based on the story that they have been reading and enjoying in the classroom.



We have organised a visit to Ripon library for every class this week to start our Christmas events.

Reception and Year 5 will be visiting on Tuesday and the other year groups on Thursday.

Please ensure that your child has a coat, sensible shoes for walking and their library card with them. Reception and Year 1 will be travelling there and back by bus.

Raffle tickets can still be requested from the school office if you'd like to purchase some more or sell them to your friends and family! There are some amazing prizes to be won - thank you to our FOMS for organising it and to local businesses and members of the community for prize donations!

We have combined two of our events to help those parents who struggle to attend everything that they would like to due to work commitments - our Carols Around the Tree and Christmas Fair!

Carols Around the Tree will take place in the hall at 9.10am, followed by a condensed number of stalls outside on the playground afterwards (weather dependent) or at the top of the hall in the dining area. Children will be able to attend with parents and then have a playtime on the main playground before returning to class. We will not have Forest School on the last day of term so please send your child in uniform on 19th December. We have some requests for donations if possible....

Tombola

This is always a very popular stall. We would really appreciate any additions to our Tombola! Chocolate, sweets, toiletries, games, socks, bottles of any variety!!.... If you are sending anything that is glass or alcohol into school, please could this be delivered to the office by an adult. Many thanks.

Christmas Jumpers

We will have a second-hand Christmas jumper stall at our Christmas Fair if your child has one that they have grown out of! If you would like to donate one, please send it into school... you might also be able to grab one for a bargain at the fair!



Christmas Lunch /Party Menus



We have sent our menus out for our Christmas Lunch and Polar Pizza Party. Children can wear a Christmas jumper to school with their uniform on Tuesday 16th December and party clothes for class parties on Thursday 18th December.

Please place your orders for these lunches to help us with catering for the children on those days! Many thanks.

Attendance

Our attendance last week was 95.13%.



w/c	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
03.11.25	96.4%	96%	93.8%	90.5%	96.3%	100%	95.7%
10.11.25	89.3%	94%	93.8%	88.1%	96.3%	100%	100%
17.11.25	83.6%	94.4%	96.2%	90%	93.7%	98.3%	99.1%
24.11.25	91.4%	94.8%	96.9%	95.5%	98.5%	93.1%	95.7%

We have had sickness bugs in school as well as coughs and colds! Please let us know if your child is too ill to attend school and the reason for this as soon as you can in the morning. If you are unsure whether to send your child or not, you can give us a call to help. There is also the NHS guidance at <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> to refer to.

Well done to Year 4 who were the winners last week with 98.5%!

Buddies

Please ensure that you book your buddies spaces at the very latest by Friday at noon if you require spaces for the following week. You need to download the booking form for completion and then email it to admin@moorside-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk. This is to ensure we have notice to provide the required adult ratios for the children. Thank you!

I hope you all have a super weekend ahead!

With very best wishes,

Mrs Rowett
Headteacher

Diary Dates:

Tuesday 2 nd December 2025	Reception and Year 5 Library Visit
Thursday 4 th December 2025	Years 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 Library Visit
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
Thursday 18 th December 2025	Class Parties and Polar Pizza Lunch
Friday 19 th December 2025	Carols Around the Tree at 9.15am & Christmas Fair
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

Christmas Week Menu

w/c 15th December 2025

Monday – Spaghetti Bolognese
v Veggie Bolognese
Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Tuna or Beans
Cheese & Crackers

Tuesday - ***Christmas Dinner***
Roast Turkey & Trimmings
v Roast Veg Sleigh
Potatoes
Medley of Vegetables
Christmas Cookie



Wednesday – Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce
v Vegetable Carbonara
Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Tuna or Beans
Chocolate Krispie Cake

Thursday - ***Polar Pizza Party Day***
Selection of Pizza
Fries
Crispy Vegetable Sticks
Sandwiches: Tuna, Cheese or Ham
Arctic Roll

Friday - Fish Fingers & Chips
Sandwiches: Cheese, Tuna or Egg
Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Tuna or Beans
Muffin

