

18<sup>th</sup> May 2026

## MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and friends,

I hope that you all had a lovely weekend! Our Year 6 children were ready for a break after SATs in school - they all showed fantastic determination and tried their very best throughout the week. They all enjoyed their pizza on Friday to celebrate the end of the week! Thank you to our Governors and volunteers who supported us in administering the tests in line with the Standards and Testing Agency's guidelines.



### Years 1, 2 and 5 have enjoyed Forest school this half term...

Year 1 have grown sweet peas from seeds. They have nurtured them in the classroom and now they are ready to go outdoors. On Friday the children planted them at Forest School. They made the frame by themselves and added the string for the plants to climb. We were blown away by their independence, concentration and focus. The children were so careful with the tiny plants and their delicate roots. Let's hope they continue to grow. Amazing gardening Year 1!

Year 3 will have Forest School on a Wednesday after half term instead of PE.

Year 5 will have PE instead of Forest School on that day.

Years 1 and 2 will continue with Forest School on a Friday as it links to their learning about seasonal changes and plants.



### Bunny Bounce

I am delighted to share that our sponsored 'Bunny Bounce' at the end of last term has raised £493.35 for our FOMS funds! A HUGE thank you to Mrs Atha for coordinating the event with the FOMS and to everyone who sponsored our children. Above all, they really enjoyed the event!

### Road Safety - SAFEGUARDING



Unfortunately, one of our children was hurt on Wednesday last week on Lead Lane. A car hit them in the abdominal area and could have caused real damage - fortunately, apart from shock, the child is OK. The car did not stop so the police have been contacted. Please take care if you are driving and parking on Lead Lane as people do not always observe the speed restrictions and mount the kerb. We have requested further road safety measures to be put in place through our local Council, but this has not been successful. It is everyone's responsibility to keep our children safe so please be mindful at drop off and pick up times no matter how much you may be rushing. Our children's safety is priority.

### Art Competition

We are launching a half term art competition again this year. We are inviting all our children to complete a piece of art using mixed media to show how we can care for our planet/the environment. There will be a prize for EYFS/KS1, LKS2 and UKS2. Please submit all entries to Miss Padbury-Hunt either as a photo to the admin email or through your child's class teacher by 5.6.26. More details and ideas are on the poster below.



**Whole School Art Competition**

### Our Earth, Our Future

As a half term challenge, we are inviting all pupils to create some mixed-media artwork showing how we can care for our planet and help build a greener, kinder future. As a school working towards becoming zero carbon, we would love to see your ideas that inspire positive change.

**Your Artwork Could Show:**

- Caring for the planet
- Protecting wildlife and nature
- Reducing waste and recycling
- Saving energy
- Tackling climate change
- Small actions make a big difference

**Create your Artwork Using:**

- Painting (watercolour, acrylic, poster paint)
- Patterns or colouring pencils
- Collage (including recycled materials)
- Printing techniques
- Or a mixture of different media

**How To Enter:**

- Bring your artwork into school and give it to your class teacher, or
- Take a clear photograph of your artwork and email it with your child's name to: [misspadbury@moorsideprimary.co.uk](mailto:misspadbury@moorsideprimary.co.uk)

**Deadline for entries: Friday 5th June**

A selection of entries will be displayed in school celebrating pupils' creativity and sharing ideas about how we can all care for our planet. Winners will be chosen in different age groups. Use bright colours, fun textures and show your ideas for a greener, kinder world. Let's work together to create Our Earth, Our Future.



### Walk to School Week

It is Walk to School Week this week! We will be calculating the percentage of children who are walking to school daily to see who can get closest to 100% by the end of the week!! Let's hope the weather stays fine and the sun shines as this will definitely help!!

### Cathedral Activity Morning - Half Term!

Another creative event for half term...Ripon Cathedral are hosting an activity morning on Tuesday 26th May from 10:30am-12. The theme is 'God as Creator and Artist'. They will be creating petal collages and modelling owls as part of the session. Further details are on the poster below. This is at a charge of £4 per child.



### Winners of Sporting Influence Competition

We are pleased to share that the winners of the Sporting Influence spaces during the half term week are, Julia and Billie in Year 5 and Toby in Year 3! We hope they have a fantastic week on sports camp! If you'd like to book your child in next week, please follow this link - [sportinginfluence.com](http://sportinginfluence.com)

### Attendance

Our attendance for last week was 95.71% with the winning class achieving 99.09%! Well done to YEAR 6!! Our attendance so far for this school year has been....95.98% - Almost 96% but we want it to be even better than that!!! Let's try and raise this next half term to end the year on a high...especially for those classes who have been on amber all half term!



w/c	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
13.04.26	88.79%	99.5%	94.44%	96.25%	95.19%	95.42%	93.75%
20.04.26	97.59%	98%	91.62%	98.10%	98.46%	92.33%	98.64%
27.04.26	97.59%	95.20%	95.53%	94.29%	96.92%	93%	93.94%
04.05.26	92.17%	94%	93.06%	100%	96.15%	95.83%	94.89%
11.05.26	97.14%	98%	92.09%	98.10%	94.23%	91.33%	99.09%

Finally, I am extremely proud to share that following a rigorous assessment day, we have maintained our Inclusion Quality Mark 'Flagship' status! The report is available to read on our school website at [Moorside Primary School and Nursery](http://moorsideprimaryschoolandnursery.com). It celebrates the work of our amazing team and contributions from our amazing children. It is a lovely read to end the half term and captures lots of unique ways that we support and include all our children at Moorside. Well done Team Moorside!

Have a wonderful half term break everyone.

With very best wishes,

**Mrs Rowett**  
Headteacher

**Diary Dates:**

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Class Photos
W/c 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Walk to School Week
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Y5 Trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Break-up for the Half Term Holidays
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	Back to School – NO Training Day
W/c 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	Multiplication Check
W/c 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Phonics Screening Check
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	New Reception Starters Parents Meeting at 3.45pm
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Reading Café at 3.20pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 visit to Bland Close Farm
W/c 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Safety Week
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Year 6 First Aid Workshop
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2026	Y6 Trip to Edinburgh
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026	Dentist Visit
W/c 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	National Sports Week
W/c 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Young Enterprise Week
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Break-up for the Summer Holidays



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# HALF-TERM Activity Morning

Tuesday 26 May  
10.30am-12pm  
Ripon Cathedral



RIPON  
Cathedral

£4  
per child  
(under 2s free)

Join us for a fun and creative morning for children and families with the theme '**God the Artist**' - exploring the beauty of the world around us and discovering how creation reflects God's love.

- **Creating collages** and patterns using natural treasures (leaves, petals, cones, and twigs)
- **Designing self-portraits** using a variety of craft materials
- **Creative play** with modelling dough
- Bug brass rubbings and other nature-inspired crafts

Scan the  
QR code  
to book tickets

