

29<sup>th</sup> June 2026

## MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,



It was a very busy week, especially in Early Years last week!! They had a fantastic day out at Thorpe Perrow on Monday where they met goats, wallabies and meerkats as well as watching an owl display. They learnt lots of facts about different owls and enjoyed watching a falcon fly around really fast looking for food.

Thank you to all our adult helpers for supporting us with caring for the children as the weather warmed up during the day!

Then on Wednesday, the children released our resident caterpillars who had transformed into beautiful butterflies! They have enjoyed observing them over the past few weeks as they grew really big and built a chrysalis around themselves! Fly free beautiful butterflies!! Thank you for looking after them Reception.

Our staff and children adapted amazingly well to working in the heat last week. We kept the children in cooler spaces than the classrooms when needed and supplied lots of water and ice pops to keep them as cool, comfortable and safe as possible. Lunchtime breaktimes were spent indoors to avoid the heat of the midday sun. Thank you for sending them in PE kit on the days when we requested. We will continue to monitor the temperatures between now and the end of term and continue to make adjustments as required to keep the children safe and well in school! Let's hope the weather stays for the summer holidays!

### Health and Safety



We are concerned that some children are bringing fruit and vegetables into school that are not adequately chopped up and therefore causing a choking hazard. This has been in packed lunches as well as breaktime snacks and waterbottles. Please do not put plastic ice cubes or frozen grapes in water bottles as they are a choking hazard if children take the straws out and tip the bottle back. Water is kept cold because we provide numerous opportunities throughout the day for them to refill with fresh water.

There is some guidance on the following website for children who are 4 and under [Help for early years providers : Food safety](#)

### Reception Graduation

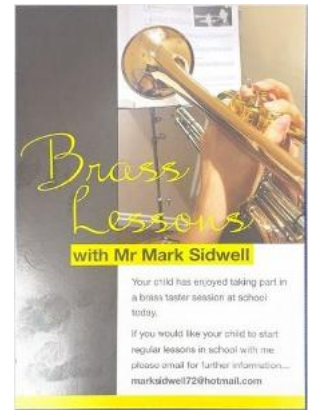
Our Reception Graduation is on Thursday 16th July at 2.30pm followed by refreshments in the Reception classroom. This is a great opportunity to congratulate the children on completing their time in our Early Years and wish them well for their transition into Key Stage 1! All families of Reception children are warmly invited to attend.

## Trumpet Lessons

We enjoyed a fantastic trumpet assembly this morning with performances from Hannah in Year 6 and Fergus in Year 5. If your child is interested in having trumpet lessons in school, please notify us via the school office and we will put you in touch with Mr Sidwell.

## Fundraising

We will be having our Summer fundraising event at the end of our Sports Day on 7th July (at the end of the school day for Early Years). This will include hot dogs, ice lollies, sweet treats, a Tombola and some other stalls organised by Year 6! They have put together the following message for the Newsletter:



### ***Please help Year 6!***

*We are asking for donations for our end of primary school fair. We are going to have a tombola, a book stall and a toy stall, but we need your help to make it amazing!*

*Please could you donate anything you can so we can make it the best fair ever!*

*We can't wait to see you all there 😊*

## End of Year Events

We have a few requests for some items of clothing to come into school for some of our end of year events....

Costumes for The Button Box:

Reception and children in Year 1 (whose LAST names start with A-H) need a white polo shirt and navy or blue shorts (as worn for PE). Rest of costume will be provided.

Year 2 and children in Year 1 (whose LAST names start with I-Z) - Hawaiian style shirts or dresses or a bright t-shirt and flower garland and shorts.

Year 3 - All black- the rest of the costume will be provided.

Year 4 - Wartime clothing - evacuee - cap, white shirt and grey shorts or grey pinafore dress, flowery tea dress and pinny etc.

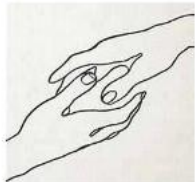
Year 5 - Party clothes.

Year 6 - Mrs Plummer will send details later this week.

Please could you send them in in a NAMED bag by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July so that they are ready for our dress rehearsals. Many thanks.

## Transition and Classes for Next Year

**Transition support** We will be sharing class organisation for 2026-27 tomorrow. We are also looking forward to welcoming our new Reception starters to spend the morning at Moorside. Transition can be difficult for some children with feelings of uncertainty but we know that after spending some time in their new classrooms tomorrow that they will feel more relaxed about September. There is also plenty of time between now and the end of term to support them if they have any questions that we can help with. There is a transition toolkit on the school website at:



<https://www.moorsideschools.org.uk/transition-support/>

If you think that this would help your child at home and you would like a paper copy to use over the summer, please get in touch- we are more than happy to help!

## Sports Week

It is Sports Week next week! The children can come in their PE kit everyday! They are also welcome to wear a t-shirt or accessory (socks/hair bobbles/cap etc) the colour of their house on their Sports Day if they would like to... no jewellery please!

## Attendance

Our overall attendance dipped again last week at 93.45%. Well done to Year 1 with the highest attendance at 98.46%.



w/c	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
01.06.26	78.93%	94.62%	94.21%	97.73%	96.92%	94.67%	90%
08.06.26	78.78%	93.85%	94.21%	97.73%	96.92%	94.67%	90.91%
15.06.26	88%	95.7%	96.5%	97%	94%	95.2%	93.7%
22.06.26	90%	98.46%	85.79%	96.36%	97.69%	91.33%	94.55%

We have a busy week ahead with KS2 football finals and the Year 6 Leavers trip to Edinburgh! Every class will then have been on a trip to take their learning outside the classroom this term! Thank you again to the staff and all our helpers for organising and taking them out for amazing educational opportunities to consolidate their learning beyond the classroom and of course..... to have fun!!

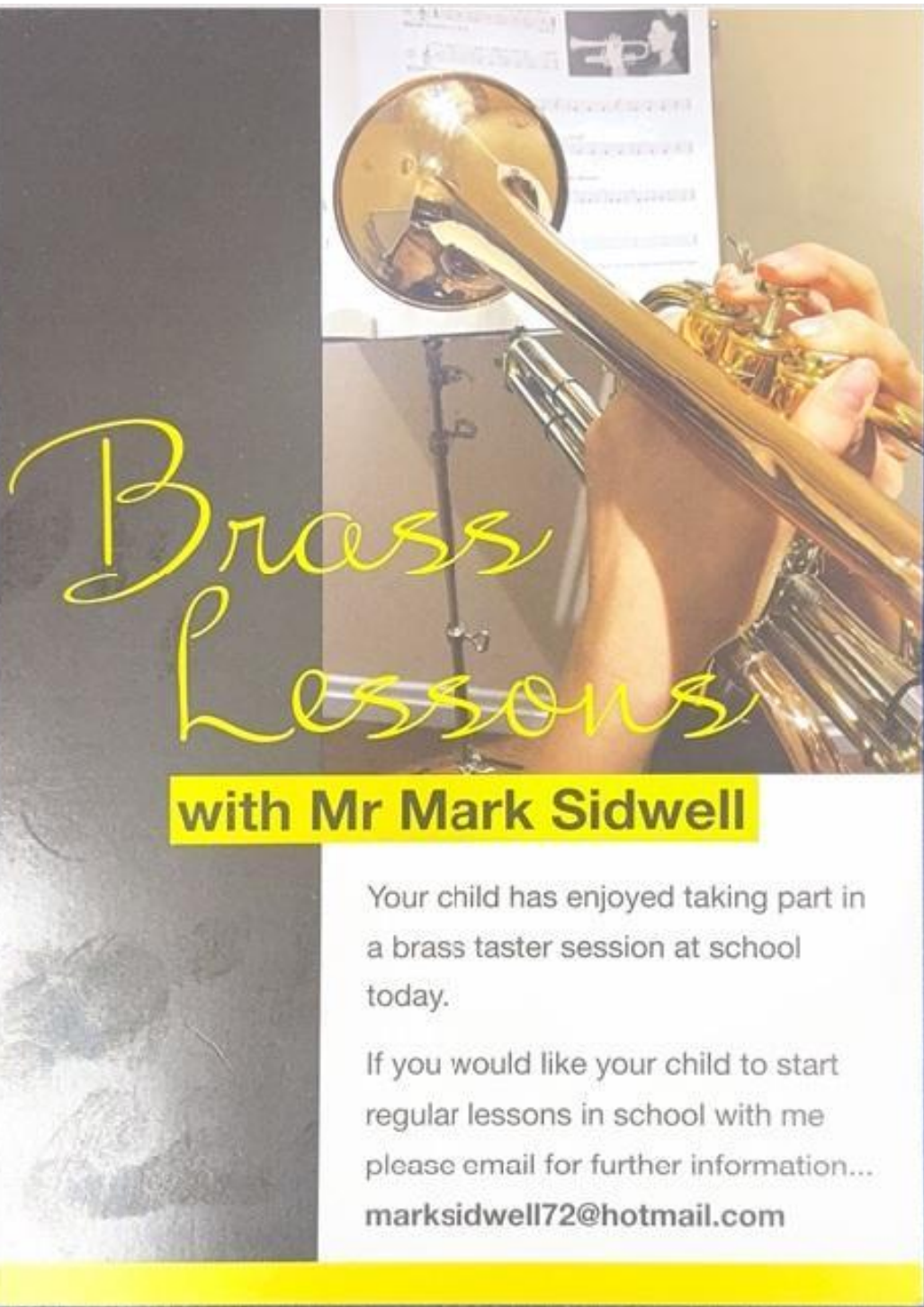
Have a great weekend everyone,

With very best wishes,

**Mrs Rowett**  
Headteacher

## Diary Dates:

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 – Sports Day 8.7.26 (EYFS 9.7.26)
W/c 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Young Enterprise Week
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Sports Day (KS1 and KS2) – 1.30pm
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Sports Day (EYFS) – 9.30am
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Button Box performance – 1.30pm
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Button Box performance – 9.30am and 1.30pm
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Graduation - 2pm
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Break-up for the Summer Holidays



*Brass  
Lessons*

**with Mr Mark Sidwell**

Your child has enjoyed taking part in a brass taster session at school today.

If you would like your child to start regular lessons in school with me please email for further information...  
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