

12th October 2026

MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and friends,

We had another lovely week last week ending with our 'Hello Yellow' Friday for World Mental Health Day. Our assembly was filled with a beautiful sea of yellow accessories, showing our support for the importance of mental health and wellbeing. Thank you to everyone who took part.

It was great to see everyone who joined us for our Open Morning on Saturday. It was such a pleasure to meet and welcome new families to our school, as well as to spend time with those who are already part of our community. We are always proud to share our school with others, so, if you or anyone you know missed it and would like to visit for a tour at any time, please do get in touch!

A special thank you goes to our fantastic Early Years team for all their hard work to organise the Open Morning and helping to make it such a success.

Our whole-school attendance last week was: 94.38%.

Each class's attendance was as follows:



w/c	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
07.09.26	96.49%	99.17%	99%	96.39%	100%	96%	88.75%
14.09.26	97.14%	98.33%	98.40%	95.45%	100%	96.80%	96.33%
21.09.26	99.29%	95.67%	94%	92.73%	96.80%	94.80%	97.33%
28.09.26	99.29%	94.67%	93.85%	86.82%	95.45%	96.67%	97.67%
05.10.26	99.29%	91%	97.31%	85%	94.09%	99.63%	94.33%

Please help us to improve our school attendance by ensuring that children arrive at school on time every day. Every day and every minute counts and arriving promptly helps to ensure that children do not miss out on valuable learning opportunities and are ready to start the day positively with their peers. We understand that there may be occasions when absence is unavoidable, but we really appreciate your continued support in helping us give every child the best possible start to their learning each day.

Let's continue to work together to improve our attendance and ensure that every child makes the most of their time in school. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Reception Harvest Festival – Tuesday 20th October

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and families of our Reception children to their Harvest Festival assembly on Tuesday 20th October at 9.15am. We can't wait to see you there!

As part of our celebrations, we would love your help in supporting our local community food banks. If you are able to, please send your child in with a donation of a can of food, or a dried food product with a long expiry date. Donations can be handed to your child's class teacher from Monday 19th October onwards.

Thank you for helping us to support those in our local community who may need some help.



Our Annual Pumpkin Competition!



Who has been out picking pumpkins already? We are delighted to be running our pumpkin competition again this year, and we can't wait to see the wonderful creations you come up with!

Please ensure all entries are brought into school by 9.00am on Friday 23rd October, ready to be judged by one of our Governors. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, so get those creative ideas flowing! If you are unable to carve a pumpkin, I have also attached a template at the end of this newsletter for a pumpkin design.... we will judge these entries separately for a winning prize!

Safety first.... children.... please make sure there is an adult to help you if you're using knives!!

We look forward to seeing your fantastic pumpkins. Good luck, everyone!

Parent Consultations – Next Week....

Our parent consultations are taking place next week on Tuesday and Thursday, with Year 5 consultations on Monday and Tuesday. The booking system will close at 9am tomorrow morning.

We look forward to welcoming you into school to discuss your child's progress, celebrate their achievements and share how we can continue to support their learning and development.

To help everything to run smoothly....

- **KS2 parents:** Please enter via the Buddies door and wait in the Learning Zone corridor until your child's class teacher is available.
- **EYFS and KS1 parents:** Please enter through the same door that your child uses each morning.

Each appointment is allocated **10 minutes**. If you feel you need a little longer to discuss something in detail, please arrange an alternative time to meet with the class teacher. This will help us to keep appointments running on time and ensure that all families receive their allocated time.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. We look forward to seeing you all next week and working together to support your child(ren).

Buddies will be in the hall for our Parent consultation evenings so please collect from the hall door. Many thanks.

An important reminder that our school is a no mobile phone or smart watch zone for children. This policy is in place to help keep our children safe and ensure that they remain focused on their learning throughout the school day. We have recently noticed children looking down at their phones while crossing the road, as well as taking phones out on the playground to film or take photographs. Smart watches can also be a distraction during lessons, taking children's attention away from their learning. We ask for your support in reinforcing the importance of this rule with your child.



RSE and PHSE

We really appreciated hearing people's views about PHSE and RSE through our questionnaire last term.

The outcome of this is shared on our school website at: [RSE-PSHE-Survey-Results-2026.pdf](#).

Thank you for working with us - we always appreciate your feedback!

Don't forget about our 'Coffee and Chat' sessions with Mrs Price this week. We would love to see you there! Have a super week ahead and please do not hesitate to get in touch with any questions or queries.

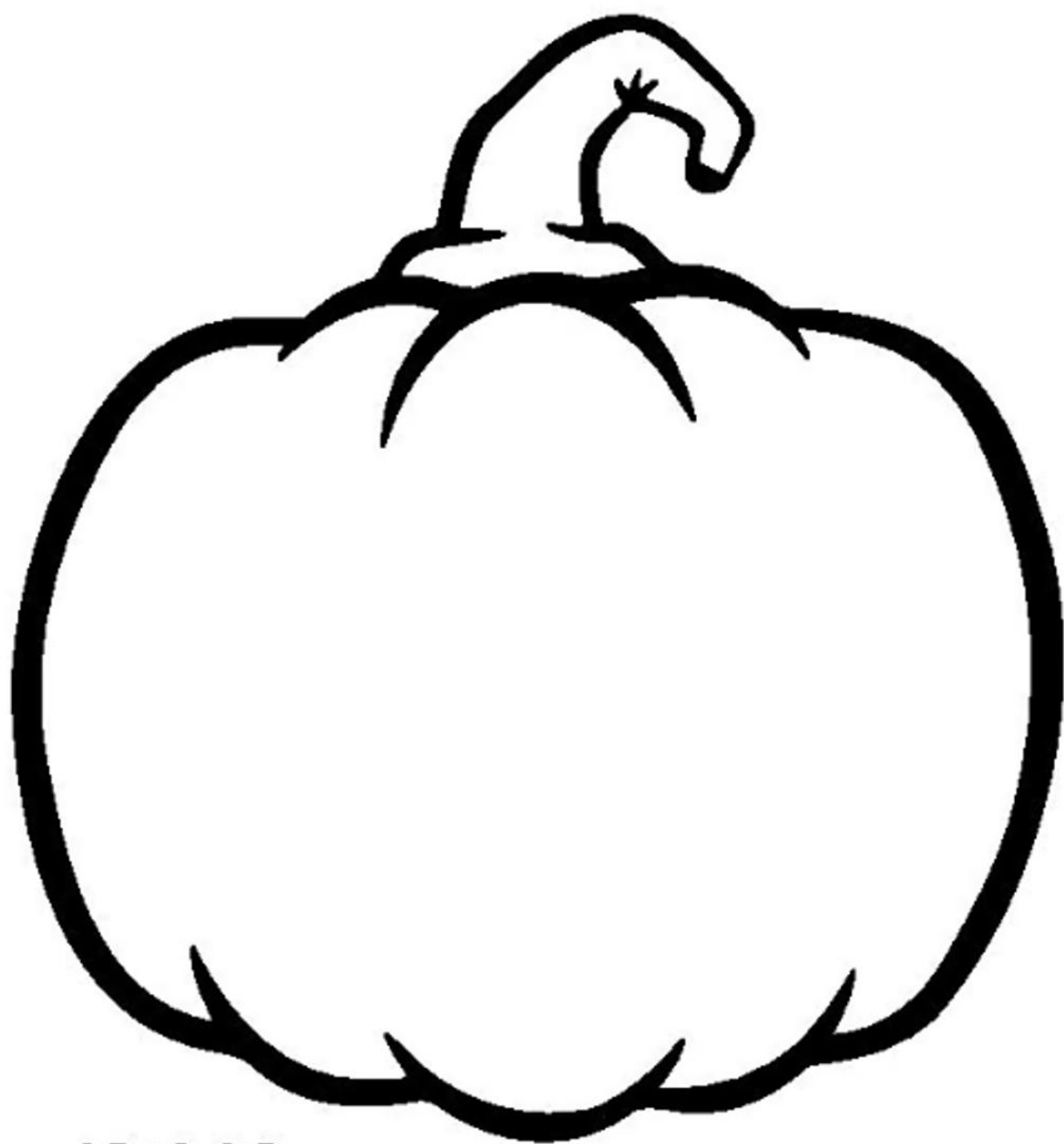
With Best Wishes

Mrs Rowett
Headteacher

Diary Dates:

Tuesday 13 th October 2026	Coffee & Chat with Mrs Price – 9.00am
Wednesday 14 th October 2026	Coffee & Chat with Mrs Price – 3.00pm
Thursday 15 th October 2026	Year 5 and Year 6 Trip to Eden Camp
W/c 19 th October 2026	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 20 th October 2026	Reception Harvest Festival – 9.15am
W/c 9 th November 2026	Anti-Bullying Week
W/c 9 th November 2026	EYFS & KS1 Nursery Rhyme Week
Wednesday 11 th November 2026	Armistice Day
Tuesday 24 th November 2026	Individual School Photographs

DESIGN YOUR OWN PUMPKIN!



NAME: _____

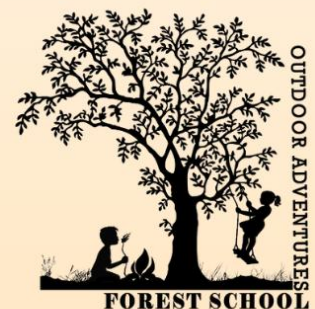


CELEBRATION OF AUTUMN FAMILY FUN DAY

Sponsored by The Friends of Hell Wath



MONDAY | **26** | 2026
OCTOBER



10.30-2 Autumn Crafts and
Hammering

10.30-12.30 Drumming and
Music Workshops

Pop up Mud Kitchen and
self led activities running
all day 10.30-2

Free event- bring a picnic

**Sign in on arrival at
Panther's Club House
Hell Wath, HG4 2SE**

