

MOORLANDS SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER

Message from the Head

Dear Friends of Moorlands,

Our Remembrance Service on Thursday was an opportunity for the school to come together and reflect on the impact of war. Mrs Wheelhouse shared the true story of Sergeant Stubby, a famous military dog involved in World War I, and Aiyla and Noah read out the names of former Moorlanders who are on our school Remembrance Board.



Thank you to everyone who so generously supported the 40ForCF activities this week, I know that Madame McIntyre was truly overwhelmed by the response and - at the last count - there was £1,946, a truly incredible total, to go to the Cystic Fibrosis Trust.

Our congratulations go to two Moorlands' staff families who have had new additions in the last few days! Mrs Uddin has safely given birth to a baby boy - Umer - on the 3rd of November and Mr Clibbens is now proud daddy to a baby girl - Maisie-Ann!

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Slater next Friday, who is moving on after almost two years on our front desk to a admin role at Ireland Wood School. We wish her all the best in this new position.



With the recent focus on environmental issues during the COP 26 Conference, it seems an appropriate time for us to be taking part in Switch Off Fortnight.

To help us gauge our success, school has access to an energy analytics platform called Stark. According to this, in the seven days leading up to the 8th November, we have used 5338 kwh of electricity, or put another way . . . enough electricity to boil 46,827 kettles . . . I think we were all stunned by this fact and so our challenge over the next couple of weeks is to reduce this by making sure that we are turning off anything not in use!

Tomorrow is an Open Morning for prospective parents and it looks as though it is going to be busy! A good number of our Year 5 and 6 pupils are coming back in to help as guides and are very excited, as this is something that they haven't been able to do for such a long time. Thank you to them for giving this time and whatever you are doing, enjoy the weekend.

Jacky Atkinson

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News from Science

Year 3 started a new topic in science this week - Rocks and Soils. They have enjoyed using magnifying glasses to explore the different rocks and identify key features.



In **Reception** class, we have continued with the children's interest in construction and design.

On Wednesday, we read 'Iggy Peck Architect' by Andrea Beaty and the children wanted to learn more about the Sphinx. Inspiration from the Sphinx led us to create our own mythical creatures from clay.

The children really enjoyed the design process and sharing their ideas with peers. We will create stories about our mythical creatures and we will use our imaginations to bring our creations to life.

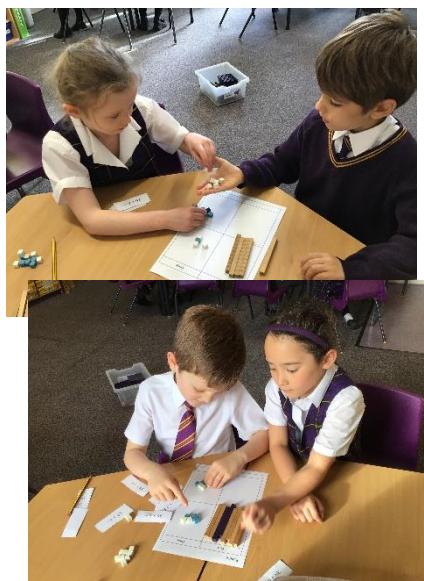
On Thursday, Reception created poppy field pictures using watercolours. They were very pleased with the end result!



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To kick off their learning on instructions, **Year 1** made jam sandwiches. They had to follow the instructions very carefully to make sure they did the steps in the right order! Next week the class are going to write their own instructions . . .



Year 2 have been working super hard in maths this week. They have been using Base 10 to build numbers before adding and subtracting, crossing 10. They have all shown brilliant understanding and worked excellently in their pairs. Well done, Year 2!



In **Year 5**, we have been creating our own statistical surveys. The children have chosen their own survey question and generated a line graph and bar chart to represent their data.

As part of our 'Into the Unknown' topic, we have created posters to attract tourists to three different mountains or ranges. These include Mount Vesuvius and Pompeii, Mount Everest and the French Alps.

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'40forCF' fundraiser for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust.



A message from Madame McIntyre, *'I would like to say a personal thank you to everybody for their efforts in our 40forCF fundraiser for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust. You have more than doubled the amount that I hoped to raise and I am completely overwhelmed and moved by the response.'*



Key Stage 2 started our efforts on Wednesday by completing circuits of the Green that involved using space hoppers, running and skipping.

There were some interesting skipping displays, it has to be said, and Year 4 impressed me, in particular, with their team spirit, whilst Year 6 were victorious in the mini-challenge to complete the most circuits.



Key Stage 1 completed a 40-themed treasure hunt on Thursday, completing sets of 40 exercises before receiving clues, as exercise plays a vital role in keeping the lungs clear of mucus in Cystic Fibrosis patients.

Finally, Early Years completed their own challenges based around the number 40, including using space hoppers and throwing and catching a ball with Miss Cooper. Thank you once again for all your help in the fight for a life unlimited by Cystic Fibrosis.



News from **Eco-Committee** . . . we now have an ink cartridge recycling box in school, near the front door. Please bring in your old cartridges, and when it is full we can return the box and raise some funds for school. If you are interested, their website is:

<https://www.recycle4charity.co.uk/Home>



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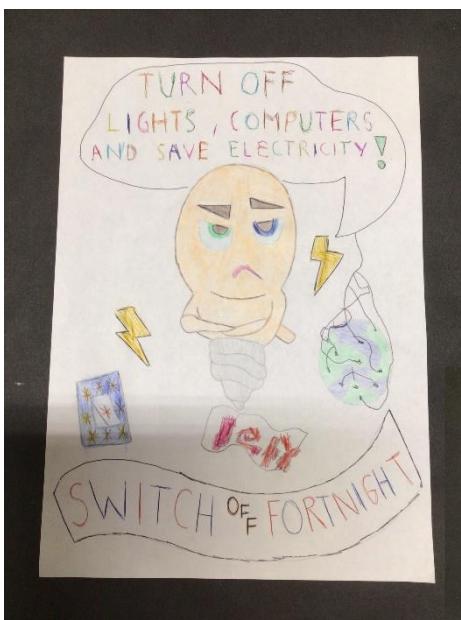
Match Report



On Friday 5th November, the Moorlands U11 rugby team travelled to GSAL for their first fixture of this half term. We had a very successful fixture, with the A team winning 9–6 and the B team winning 12–5. Everyone who played last Friday gave it their absolute all and fought very hard to maintain their lead and win the match. With everyone playing brilliantly out on the pitch the people who stood out the most from each team were: from the B team, Ola with some great all-round playing and encouragement for the rest of the squad and from the A team, Nathaniel for some

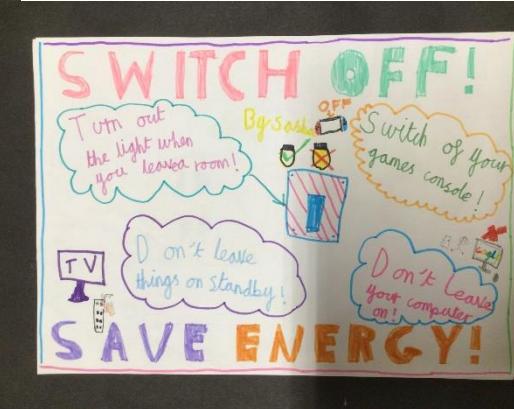
great running with the ball in attack and helping our team to win and he was really getting stuck into the game with some great tackles. The most improved player in the team is Joseph as he is becoming more confident with the ball and is running up to the opposition and joining in as much as possible to help his team win. It was an all-round great performance from all of the squad on Friday and everyone should be very proud of themselves.

Liam, Rugby Captain



Switch Off Fortnight

Over the next two weeks, the Eco-committee will be encouraging everyone, at home and in school, to think about the electricity we are using and trying not to waste it! Posters have gone up around school and we will be monitoring our usage via Stark to see if we can make a difference!



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Inter-house Photography Competition



The next inter-house competition of the year is the photography competition and this year the theme is **LIGHT AND DARK**.

You could get outside and explore the changing light at this time of year . . . photograph a beautiful sunset, find some Diwali or Christmas lights or capture the moon and stars in the sky. You can be as literal or abstract as you like, as long as you are creative!



You can either print the photograph at home (no larger than A4 please) or email the image to your Head of House:

Adams – ella.williams@moorlands-school.co.uk

Sharman – abi.wilkinson@moorlands-school.co.uk

Palin – stephanie.hill@moorlands-school.co.uk

No Photoshop, filters or alterations are allowed and you must take the photograph yourself.

The **deadline for entries is 4pm on Friday 19th November** and the winners will be announced in assembly on **Monday 22nd November**.

All entries will earn 1 house point. Entries that really capture the idea of light and dark will receive 2 house points and the best one in each year group will receive 3 house points.



All points will then be added for each house and the winning house will gain 60 house points, 2nd will gain 30 and then 3rd will gain 10. These will then be added to the final total for the end of the year.
Good luck!



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MSA Newsletter

12th November 2021

There has been a frenzy of activity this week and we have received lots of orders for the Christmas cards. Thank you!!

We are also gearing up for our Christmas fair on the **27th November**. We need lots of volunteers so please get in touch if you can help.

Chocolate Week

15th-19th November

Next week is chocolate week!! Bring a chocolate donation for your chance to find a golden lollipop stick in the lucky dip. Each golden lollipop stick wins a tasty prize. One try per child, per day. Everyone will get a small chocolate for taking part. The MSA team is located in the playground from 8-8:20am.

All chocolate goes towards our popular chocolate tombola at the Christmas fair.

Festive Wreath Making Evening **3rd December | 7.30pm**

£25 per person, all equipment provided. Price also includes a glass of Prosecco and nibbles! Bring your own bottle (tea and coffee provided) and your creativity! Book a place by emailing moorlandsmsa@gmail.com by **19th November**.

Dates for the diary

15th-19th Nov - Chocolate Week

27th Nov - Christmas Fair

3rd Dec - Wreath Night

28th Jan - School Disco



3rd Dec | 7.30pm

Join us for the MSA
FESTIVE WREATH MAKING

£25 per person

Price also includes
a glass of prosecco & nibbles



Preloved UNIFORM SHOP

Our uniform shop is still OPEN. All uniform queries be sent to **Lara Harper (07775 001891)** who is our uniform shop liaison.

Thank you to all parents for your continued donations. If anyone has any unwanted items including bags, sports kits and waterproof overalls, please leave them at reception, clearly marked for the attention of the MSA team.

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Dates for your diaries . . .

November	
Monday 15 th	Switch Off Fortnight and National Anti-Bullying Week 8.30 a.m. Celebration Assembly, parents welcome to attend, Orchestra to perform and introduction to Anti-bullying week p.m. Bushcraft for Years 1, 3 and 5
Tuesday 16 th	KS1 Bikeability U9 Hockey Festival, 1:45pm-3:30pm @ Gateways
Wednesday 17 th	KS1 Bikeability
Friday 19 th	U11 Hockey Festival @ GSaL 2.30 p.m. KS1 Mini-performance for parents
Monday 22 nd	Switch Off Fortnight 8.30 a.m. Celebration Assembly, parents welcome to attend Year 6 Exams p.m. Bushcraft for Years 1, 3 and 5
Tuesday 23 rd	U9 Rugby Festival, 1:45pm-3:30pm @Terrington Year 6 Exams
Wednesday 24 th	a.m. only Year 6 exams
Thursday 25th	10.00 a.m. Reception and KS1 Panto @ Harrogate
Friday 26th	9.30 a.m. Full Governors Meeting, WGS U11 Rugby Festival, 1:45pm-3:30pm @Knaresborough RC
Saturday 27 th	MSA Christmas Fair
Monday 29 th	p.m. Bushcraft for Years 1, 3 and 5
Tuesday 30 th	Year 6 Mock Interviews with Miss Atkinson
Wednesday December 1st	
Thursday 2 nd	1.30 p.m. KS2 to West Yorkshire Playhouse
Friday 3rd	U11 Football Vs Fulneck, 2:15pm, @Fulneck U11 Netball Vs Fulneck, 2:15pm, @Moorlands p.m. MSA Wreath Making workshop
Monday 6 th	8.35 a.m. Celebration Assembly - Year 6 'Brit Pop' Bands School Choir to Riddings Park p.m. Bushcraft for Years 1, 3 and 5
Tuesday 7 th	7.00 p.m. KS2 Christmas Concert
Thursday 9 th	Dress Rehearsals for EYFS and KS1 Nativities
Friday 10 th	9.00 a.m. EYFS Nativity 11.00 a.m. KS1 Nativity 2.00 p.m. U9 and U11 Moorlands House Netball and Football

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Available each day will be an assortment of sandwiches and a fresh salad bar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Traditional Beef Casserole	Tandoori Chicken Goujons	Pork/Chicken Sausages	Mac 'n' Cheese	Fish Fingers
Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option
Roast Vegetable and Chickpea Stew	Tandoori Quorn Goujons	Quorn Sausages	Mac 'n' Cheese	Veggie Fingers
New Potatoes And Cauliflower	Savoury Vegetable Rice And Floured Tortillas	Creamed Potato Broccoli & Gravy	Garlic Bread & Crudités	Chips and Garden Peas
Jacket Potato Beans & Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans Tuna	Jacket Potato Beans & Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans Tuna	Jacket Potato Beans & Cheese
Choc Ice	Fruit Crumble & Custard	Fruit Jelly Pots	Banana Buns	Dessert Selection
Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Fruit Pots	Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Fruit Pots	Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Fruit Pots	Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Fruit Pots	Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Fruit Pots