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MOORLANDS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Dear Friends of Moorlands

As you can see from the varied content of the newsletter, it has already been extremely busy at Moorlands with lots of different activities and learning taking place, despite being only a couple of



weeks into term! Sport always features large and there was much excitement for our first fixture of the year this afternoon - rugby at Bradford Grammar School.



The new sports hall floor is having the final touches put to it today, with the addition of the line markings. It is looking fantastic and

we can't wait for it to come back into use next week!

Each year, we usually support the charity Jeans for Genes, and this is shown on our school calendar. However, we have decided to change this and instead fundraise for Dementia Awareness as this is a charity close to the hearts of both pupils and staff in school. All Moorlands families should have received an email today from Mrs Wheelhouse detailing fundraising events on Wednesday 20th September but if not, the information is included later in the newsletter.

Thank you to all of the parents who were able to join us at the Back-to-School Evening on Tuesday. It was good to see so many of you there and we hope that you found the time with class teachers informative. As always, if you do have any questions or concerns please make contact with us, as working together is the best way that we can support you children here at Moorlands. Feedback on school uniform and lunches has been appreciated - and acted on - so please do continue to provide us with this.

Our positions of responsibility assembly will be taking place on Monday 25th September, at 8.40am in the gym. This assembly is open to parents and we hope that some of you will be able to join us. Year 6 did some excellent Head Captain presentations this week and I already have a pile of applications for the Eco-Committee on the desk in my office!

Enjoy the weekend, whatever you are doing. I am going on a visit to the circus - for the first time in many years - with a very excited four year old!

With kind regards

Jacky Atkinson

Lists and Captions

Year 1 have been learning about lists and captions this week. Today they had to match the picture with the sentence. They also had to correct some of Mrs Woodfinden's silly mis-takes!



Problem Solving

Year 3 students have been working together, engaging in collaborative problem-solving, and demonstrating resilience as they attempt to construct a cup pyramid without physically touching the cups!



Reception

We have really enjoyed their our first full week of Reception and have loved the range of activities on offer. We have been exploring buttons in maths, meditating and painting pebbles to hide in The Hollies. The weekly swimming lessons were big hit and we have been learning all about 'The Lonely Beast'. Last Friday, we went for a walk into The Hollies to see if we could find him. Unfortunately, we didn't spot The Lonely Beast but when we got back to class and looked at the photograph we took, we spotted something very suspicious in the background. Take a very close look and see if you can spot someone lurking in the background!



125th anniversary scarf - last chance to order!

There has been a delay on Moorlands limited edition 125th anniversary scarves so apologies to anyone who ordered one last term.

The delay, however, does mean that there is a last chance to still order one! The scarf is purple and grey striped, made from real wool on one side and purple fleece on the other, complete with the anniversary logo.

Please see the photos of Aisha and India modelling the scarf. The sample is currently on reception if you would like to see it.

If you would like to order a scarf, priced £24, please email Mrs Doherty by Tuesday at 4pm and transfer the money via the usual BACS account, with your child's name and 'scarf' as reference. The scarves will now be delivered in October. Thank you for your patience!



Tudor Portraits

To start their project on The Tudors, Year 5 and 6 have painted some amazing self-portraits imagining themselves as Tudor nobility! Some great titles and excellent artwork!











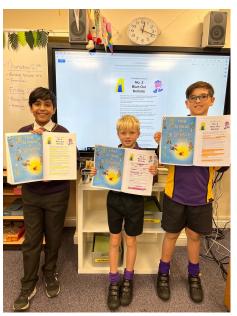












Friendship Terrace

Year 5 have also started some work this week on 'Friendship Terrace'.

A programme we are using across KS2 to help build positive friendships, empathy and develop strategies to navigate different friendship situations.

This week the class spoke about 'Blurt out Belinda' and we wanted to share the classwork we did to support our understanding.

Wednesday 20th September

Fundraising for Dementia Awareness

Dear Parents,

In a change to the whole school calendar, next week we will not be running our usual fundraisers for Jeans for Genes, this year we have decided to raise funds for Dementia Awareness following requests from pupils after last term's assembly.

We will be focusing on fundraising on Wednesday 20th September. All children are invited to come to school wearing something blue on this day and bring a £1 donation.

During the day, all classes will be involved in a range of activities. Early Years classes will make salt dough Forget Me Nots (the official symbol for Dementia awareness), KS1 will be decorating envelopes and writing planting instructions for Forget Me Not seeds, Years 3 and 4 will be baking and Years 5 and 6 will be preparing for a mass carwash. Y5/6 pupils will need to bring suitable clothing and footwear to school that day to change into for washing cars. Buckets and sponges would also be appreciated.

We will open the playground from 3.00 - 4.15 pm. The children will run stalls to sell what they have created both to each other and to you as parents. There will also be a tuck shop. Baking and sweets will cater for all dietary requirements.

If you would like teams of Year 5 and 6 pupils to wash your car, please sign up to a time slot which will be on The Gate from Monday morning. A fee of £3 per car will be charged.

It is recommended that your child brings £3.00 make a £1 contribution for wearing blue and all cakes and sweets.

Thank you in advance for your support,

Mrs Wheelhouse



Dates For Your Diary Term Dates 2023-24

September	
Mon 18th	Bushcraft Year 2, 4 & 6
Tues 19th	1:45pm U9 Rugby @ WGS
Weds 20th	Fundraising for Dementia Awareness
Fri 22nd	1:45pm U11 Hockey Venue TBC
Mon 25th	8:40am Positions of Responsibility Assembly in the gym
	4:00pm U11 Swimming Gala vs Bootham @ Moorlands
Tues 26th	1:45pm U9 Hockey @BGS
Weds 27th	Year 3 & 4 Visit to York Chocolate Story
Fri 29th	1:45pm U11 Rugby @ Terrington
October	
Mon 2nd	Bushcraft Year 2, 4 & 6
	4:00pm U11 Swimming Gala vs Brackenfield @ Moorlands
Tues 3rd	1:45pm Rugby @ Ghyl Royd
	2:00pm Netball vs Bronte @ Moorlands
Weds 4th	6:30pm Senior School Information Evening for Year 5 & 6
Fri 6th	1:45pm U11 Hockey @BGS
	2:00pm U11 Hockey @ RHS
Sat 7th	9:30am—12:00 midday Open Day for Prospective Parents



Moorlands School



WEEK STARTING | MONDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

MAIN DISHES

MONDAY

Sri Lankan Beef & Sweet potato curry, fragrant Rice, coriander naan

TUESDAY

Roast Chicken, sage & onion stuffing, Roast potatoes, Fresh carrots, peas & pan gravy

WEDNESDAY

Classic Bacon & mushroom Carbonara, & street slaw

THURSDAY

Chicken & roast pepper enchiladas, sweetcorn, tortilla crisps, sour cream

FRIDAY

Breaded scampi, handcrafted potato wedges, peas & homemade tartare sauce

VEGETARIAN

MONDAY Spaghetti Pasta puttanesca, garlic & rosemary ciabatta, oven roast broccoli

TUESDAY

Spiced tofu, oriental vegetable & noodle Chow Mein, crispy onions & Kale,

WEDNESDAY

Butternut & mixed bean Bhuna, vegetable pilaf rice & poppadums

THURSDAY

Vegetarian sausage rolls, handcrafted potato wedges, peas, gravy

FRIDAY

Quorn chilli loaded nachos, sweetcorn, Mexican coleslaw

Daily Staples

A selection of seasonal compound & simple salads, protein platters, chutneys & dressings from your new look salad bar. Rustic Breads Fresh Fruit Yoghurts & Granola Chilled Dessert Pots

Simply Pasta or Jacket Potatoes available daily

Desserts

Monday Lemon & poppy seed drizzle cake

Tuesday Tiramisu

Wednesday Sticky Toffee Pudding,

Thursday Iced Chocolate sponge & Sprinkles.

Friday Mango & Passion fruit Cheesecake

Supper Club

Monday Mac n Cheese bar

Tuesday Fish Finger wrap

Wednesday Smash Burgers

Thursday Margherita calzone

Friday Chicken Chow Mein