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MOORLANDS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Dear Friends of Moorlands

This week at Moorlands, it has been one of those incredibly varied weeks ranging from Parents' Evenings to sports fixtures . . . the Hello Yellow Colour Run to a visit to the Pumpkin Farm . . . and a KS1 Fire of London Workshop to top it off. All this has been alongside our usual day-to-day activities and teaching. Reception were incredibly excited to be going out on the school minibus to the Pumpkin Farm today, even more so when they knew that Mrs King was going to drive them!

Mrs Wheelhouse, Mrs Burkinshaw and the Wellbeing Team came up with the amazing idea of a Colour Fun Run to raise money for Hello Yellow Day and a 'Buddy Bench' for the school playground. Thank you to them for organising this and for the volunteers who came along to support on the day, a very messy, fun day was had! The current total stands at almost £600, but we know that there is lots more sponsorship money to come in for two very worthwhile causes.

Our assembly on Monday is open to parents and family. It will be at 8.40am in the gym and led by Rev. Drost, the Chaplain from Woodhouse Grove School, on the theme of harvest. Please do come and join us.



The Schools' Immunisation Team are at Moorlands next Tuesday to give flu vaccinations. A reminder that only consented pupils will be seen on the day and that the portal for registering consent has now closed. For any families who have missed the deadline, you will receive details to attend a community clinic on an appointment basis, this information will be provided after Tuesday.

In a buildings update, the plasterwork in the gating hall has been replaced and we are now waiting for a 'window' of several days of fine weather for remedial work to take place to make sure that we don't have the same issue reoccur. Once this has been completed, the area will be decorated and carpet re-laid.

All family and friends are invited to the Moorlands' **Harvest Thanksgiving** next Friday afternoon - 20th October - at 2.30pm in the sports hall. Our Moorlanders are busy rehearsing poems, songs and readings to perform and further details will be coming from Mrs Wheelhouse on our chosen charity for this year. Refreshments will be available afterwards and the school building open for family and friends to look around.

Enjoy the weekend!

News from Sports

Rugby

Our second and third rugby fixtures of the season, saw us deal with both positive and negative experiences. First, we travelled to Terrington, near York, for a mini- tournament including Scarborough, Cundall Manor, Brackenfield, and Terrington. In our opening game against Scarborough we started slowly, struggling to cope with their speedy backs. Although we conceded two early tries, we improved as the game progressed. The final score was 3-1 in Scarborough's favour, with Will S scoring for us.

In the second game against Brackenfield, we won convincingly, with Seb and Jason among the try scorers. Ben demonstrated some determined running, and Will H displayed confident handling. Our third game against Terrington was a tougher test, but we controlled the ruck and dominated the breakdowns, resulting in five tries for us and three conceded, including a try from Will S and Seb. The tournament was rounded up with a hard-fought 3-2 victory over Cundall Manor, with Harry scoring his first try of the season. Overall, we won three matches and lost one. An encouraging display.

On Friday 6th of October, we took the short walk to play Richmond House School. For Moorlands A, it was an even first half and we were unlucky to be trailing three-two, having been ahead. The second half started just as well but we didn't maintain our defensive discipline and focus, conceding too many penalties. Although Moorlands dominat-



ed the breakdowns, Richmond House had pure talent and speed on the wing- and he scored five tries! We did however show a great attitude and did not let our heads drop. We fought back, dominating the last five minutes, and scored two more tries. The game ended, Richmond House 10, Moorlands 5. Man of the Match was Hugh, because of his great attitude and determination during the game. Come on Moorlands!

By Louis C, rugby captain

<u>Swimming</u>

The second swimming gala of the year was on Monday 2nd October when Brackenfield visited Moorlands. This was an excellent event for the Year 4s, especially Hugo and Eleanor. Great efforts from Sasha and Will from Year 6 as well. We all enjoyed the competition especially as it was the first victory of the season, and we look forward to many more swimming galas later in the year. Thank you to Mr. Judd and Miss Farnhill for organising the gala and races.



By Orla, Swimming Captain

Year 5 Pizza

Half of the Year 5 class enjoyed a seasonal cookery lesson as part of their DT lesson. They made pizzas topped with seasonal vegetables. Next week, the rest of the class will enjoy this fun too! Thank you to Mr Hudson, our catering manager, for his help.







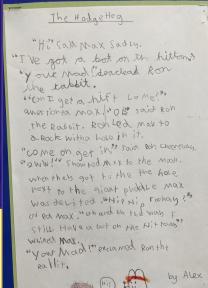




"Who are you?" asked a black and white cat. "Am i Where?" Said Max. "Your at the park and im Midnight." announced Midnight. "I'm max I've most by home," sighed Max. "Well where do you live?" asked a confused Midnight. "Live at i As number. How do i get home?" said Max "I know. Go down to the blue and pink shop and turn Left and you will see a green light. cross the road and you will be home," said Midnight hopely. "Thank you i must go bye" said Max thankery.

Year 3

Year 3 have been reading The Hodgeheg - a hedgehog who crossed the road, bumped his head and got his words muddled! We have learned to punctuate speech, talk in 'spoonerisms', and add adverbs to our writing.





HelloYellow Day!



House Conkers

This week we hosted our annual House Conkers competition! Louis from Year 3 and Hannah from Year 6 were in the final. Hannah won the House Conker Cup this year. Well done to all of the children involved, it was a wonderful event to mark the start of Autumn!





Friendship Terrace



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No. 5 Leave Out Liam



Leave Out Liam from No. 5 Friendship Terrace had his own nice little group of friends. Whenever someone would suggest including someone else, he would say, "Oh don't ask them. They're not into our sort of thing."

Leave Out Liam didn't like his friends going off to play with anyone else either. "Why would you want to play with him? Let's just play on our own," he would say.

However, others on Friendship Terrace didn't like being left out. It didn't feel very nice.

One day Leave Out Liam came out of his house. Where was everyone? It was so quiet. He knocked on his friend Ryan's door at No. 7. No answer. He knocked on his friend Jake's door at No. 10. There was no-one there either.

Leave Out Liam could hear some laughing from the other end of Friendship Terrace. He walked down and, as he approached, he saw everyone having having a picnic together. All of the residents of Friendship Terrace were there except for him. "They're having a picnic and didn't even think to invite me," he said to himself and sulked back to his doorstep.

Friendly Freddie came over. "What's up?" he asked.

"There's a picnic on the Terrace and I wasn't invited," said Liam. "It feels horrible to be left out of all the fun. I love picnics. Why didn't they think to ask me?"

"Maybe they just guessed you didn't like picnics," said Freddie.

"Well, I do like them. And anyway, I just want to do what everyone else is doing. I don't like being left out," said Liam.

"I think that's how everyone feels," said Freddie. "It's always nice to be asked to join in something and then you can choose yourself whether you want to do it or not. Come on. Let's go to the picnic."

They walked back together to join the others. "Hi Liam," called out Jake. "Want some sandwiches?"

"Yes, please," said Liam, sitting down next to Jake and Ryan. He leant over and whispered to his two friends, "When we're finished, you can come round to mine for some chocolate cake."

"Chocolate cake?" blurted out Belinda in a loud voice.

Liam looked round. Lots of hungry smiling faces were looking eagerly at him. Liam thought about what Friendly Freddie had said. "You can all come," Liam said loudly. "Everyone's invited."

News from GSaL

We were delighted to hear that three former Moorlanders have been appointed to highly coveted student leader roles in Year 13 at GSaL, following a very rigorous selection process. Harriet as Faculty Head for Mathematics and Geography, Izzy as Faculty Head for Science and Bella as House Captain for Ermystead. Well done, we are very proud to see that Intrepid spirit still shining through!





Reception Class have been out to the Pumpkin Farm, on their first visit this year. They had an amazing time and found all different kinds of pumpkins, as well as being complimented on their good manners and friendliness!



Dates For Your Diary Term Dates 2023-24

Mon 16th Assembly, Rev. Drost, WGS Chaplain, Open to Parents

Tues 17th KS1 Bikeability

October

9:30am Flu Vaccinations

Weds 18th **KS1** Bikeability

4:10-6:00pm EYFS Parents' Evening

Thurs 19th 4:10-6:00pm EYFS Parent' Evening

Fri 20th 2:30pm Harvest Festival followed by open classrooms

Half Term - Fri 20th Oct - Mon 6th Nov

Mon 6th **Term Starts**

Tues 7th Year 3 & 4 Visit to Pizza Express

Fri 10th 11:00am Remembrance Service

1:45pm U11 Rugby @ Gateways

Mon 13th 8:30am Individual and Sibling Photos

Tues 14th 1:45pm U9 Rugby @ Brackenfield

Science 'Quiz Club' First Heat

Weds 15th Year 1 Visit to Abbey House Museum

Thurs 16th am Working Open Morning for Prospective Parents

Fri 17th MSA Non-Uniform Day and Bottle Drop



Moorlands School



WEEK STARTING | 16TH OCTOBER

VEGETARIAN

MONDAY

MAIN DISHES

Chicken and pesto pasta with steamed broccoli and fresh bread.

MONDAY

Crispy tofu Thai red curry, braised rice and smashed poppadom's(gf)(vg)

TUESDAY

Greek style chicken, herb roast new potatoes, tzatziki and greek salad(gf)

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Greek style halloumi fingers, herb roast new potatoes, tzatziki and Greek salad

WEDNESDAY

Beef curry, fragrant rice, onion bhaaji and poppadom(gf)

WEDNESDAY

Vegetable lasagne, homemade focaccia and green salad

THURSDAY

Mediterranean meatballs, herb gravy, mash potatoes and seasonal vegetables (gf)

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Vegetable chow mein, spring rolls and prawn crackers

FRIDAY

Italian Day, A selection of pizza and pasta

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Supper Club

Daily changing, freshly made supper available every evening.

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

Monday Fruit flapjack

Thursday Rocky Road

Friday Lemon drizzle

Tuesday Shortbread biscuit

Wednesday Chocolate sponge

Simply Pasta or Jacket Potatoes available daily

Desserts