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# MOORLANDS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Dear Friends of Moorlands,

A reminder from Mrs Wheelhouse that Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October is our fundraising day for Hello Yellow. All children need to come to school in something yellow and bring a change of old clothes and footwear suitable for getting wet and messy during the colour run. Children will need a small towel to dry themselves.

Paddling pools and a slip and slide plus any buckets are still needed, so please email <a href="mailto:sharon.wheelhouse@moorlands-school.co.uk">sharon.wheelhouse@moorlands-school.co.uk</a> if you are able to help with any of these. Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help - any additional volunteers would also be appreciated. Good luck raising sponsor money!





Over the course of the year, we are focussing on each of our five Intrepid attributes. As it is the start of the new school year, we have started with being 'Inclusive'. What has been really heartening has been seeing and hearing examples of pupils putting this into action, particularly on the playground where older pupils have been looking out for children in other year groups and giving them advice on friendship issues or spending time with them playing games.

Tomorrow is our Open Morning for prospective parents and an opportunity for some of our Year 6 pupils to act as guides and show families around school. Our Moorlanders always love having this opportunity and do an amazing job, whilst also developing valuable skills. Thursday 16th November is our next planned 'Working Open Morning', so if you are aware of anyone looking for Nursery and Reception places, please do encourage them to make contact and book a place to come along!

Thank you to all of the parents and pupils who attended the annual Senior School Information Evening on Tuesday. It was very busy, with representatives from Woodhouse Grove, GSaL, Ashville College, St Peter's York, Giggleswick and Harrogate Ladies College on hand to speak to families about what their respective schools have to offer.

Next week, we are looking forward to welcoming many KS1 and KS2 parents in school on Tuesday and Wednesday for Parents' Evening and a chance to catch up on how the term has started and targets for the weeks ahead. And Reception are very excited, as they are heading off to the pumpkin farm next Friday!

Enjoy the weekend. Jacky Atkinson

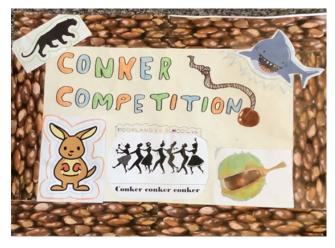
# Year 2

Year 2 have been very busy over the past few weeks. In Science, they have been exploring the playground, identifying different materials and what they are used for. We have been building up to writing diary entries in English and making them look like they are from 1666 using tea to stain them! In phonics, they were amazed with the 'Magic e' trick and some of them mysteriously changed words into new ones using the 'Magic e' spell! Great work, Year 2!



Year 2 are thoroughly enjoying drama about The Great Fire of London. They have acted out different scenes and used their bodies to represent the buildings, flames and wind. You can also see on their faces how shocked they pretended to be when they discovered the fire!









Don't forget House Conkers on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October. All children from **Reception to Year 6** will be taking part. Don't forget to bring your conker, attached to a string.

# **News from Science**

For homework, Year 5 and 6 were asked to complete a project on the planets. I was absolutely amazed by the effort that had gone into this! There were 3D models, posters, lighting and magnet effects, sewing, hidden facts and even some baking! This has all made for a rather magical display in school, which Key Stage 1 and Reception were invited to see. Well done to all!

Mrs Matthews











# Reception

Reception are embracing the fresh, crisp weather as autumn edges in. Last Tuesday, they took their learning outdoors and created 'fizzy paintings' with Miss Mehmood. They had fun exploring the reactions made by mixing vinegar, bicarbonate soda and food colouring. They enjoyed the freedom of experimenting outdoors and also had a play in our new outdoor kitchen area. This week in outdoor learning, we were lucky enough to find a baby frog. We looked at it closely, being mindful not to frighten it! Some of us even managed to feel it with a very gentle touch. Reception are embracing the outdoors with great enthusiasm and curiosity!













Reception class continued with The Lonely Beast topic. This week they decided to narrate and record their own movie. They have had a lot of fun recording the story and watching it come to life! Scan the QR code to watch the movie!



## **Friendship Terrace**



# Friendship Terrace

# No. 4 Manisha Mine



Manisha Mine, from No. 4 Friendship Terrace, didn't like to share. If someone touched something that was hers, she would shout, "That's mine! Get off!" If anyone even played outside her house, Manisha Mine would shout, "I own that bit of the Terrace. It's mine. Go away!"

Everyone else on Friendship Terrace, however, was getting really fed up with her not sharing.

One day Manisha Mine decided to go swimming. But when she got to the bottom of the steps outside her house, there was a big barrier made out of crates with a sign saying: "No entry". Bradley, from No. 3 Friendship Terrace, was standing behind the crates. "Sorry, you can't come past. This part of the Terrace belongs to me."

Manisha turned the other way. There was another big barrier made out of crates with another sign saying, "No entry". Liam, from No. 5 Friendship Terrace, peeped over the crates. "Sorry, there's no way through here. This part of the Terrace belongs to me."

Manisha Mine sat down on her doorstep and burst into tears. "But if I can't get onto Friendship Terrace past No. 3 or No. 5, how can I manage to go swimming?" she wailed.

Friendly Freddie, who had been watching, came and sat down beside her on her doorstep. "Looks like you're in a bit of trouble," he said.

"What can I do?" cried Manisha. "They've never done this before. Why are they stopping me from going down my own Terrace?"

"Friendship Terrace belongs to everyone," said Friendly Freddie. "If you don't share your things, other people won't want to share with you. You get a lot more when you share. If we each just played on the bit of the Terrace outside our own houses, we'd have a tiny space to play. If we all share the space, we have a huge long Terrace where we can run and cycle and play ball games together."

"I guess you're right," said Manisha. "I've been a bit greedy. No-one's going to share with me if I don't share with them."

Manisha got up and went to see Bradley. "I'm sorry Bradley. Please can I get past? You can play outside my house whenever you want."

"OK," said Bradley and he started to take down the barrier.

Manisha turned to Liam. "I'm sorry Liam. I've been a bit silly. You can have a go on my bike whenever you like."

"Thanks Manisha," called Liam. "Enjoy your swimming."

Manisha realised that by sharing more, she'd get more in return; and she'd be able to get out to go swimming!

# Netball

Moorlands Netball captain, Sasha Pennington, led a training session on Friday covering defensive drills and attacking centre passes. She planned and delivered the session herself. Miss Williams was super impressed with her organisation, coaching skills and attitude towards her new position of responsibility. Go Sasha!





## SqUp Workshop for Years 5&6

This week, Year 5 and 6 continued with their work around online safety with the focus being upon using social media in a responsible manner.

The children learnt that the legal age for owning a social media account is age 13, Year 10. Social media positives were highlighted such as, the use of live streaming, instant access to breaking news, instant feedback to posts, ability to connect with friends and parental ability to track location.

Equally, negatives were discussed: revealing your location to the wrong people (snap maps), online bullying, access to unregulated content, exposure to inappropriate language and peer pres-

sure to participate in online conversations, dares and sharing of images.

There was a particular focus on the dangers of connecting to strangers. The children learnt that gang members have thousands of online followers with accounts being made to look glamorous and extremists using social media to promote radical views.

The children were taught that settings can be adjusted to help keep them safe online and that accounts should be monitored by parents.





Dates For Your Diary Term Dates 2023-24

Sat 7th 9:30am—12:00 midday Open Day for Prospective Parents

Tues 10th 1:45pm U9 Hockey @ Ashville

4:10pm - 6:00pm KS1 & KS2 Parents' Evening

Weds 11th 4:10pm - 6:00pm KS1 & KS2 Parents' Evening

Thurs 12th HelloYellow Fun Run

Fri 13th 2:00pm U11 Netball @ Bronte

Tues 17th KS1 Bikeability

October

9:30am Flu Vaccinations

Weds 18th 4:10-6:00pm EYFS Parents' Evening

KS1 Bikeability

**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



# Moorlands School

EAT THE SEASONS

WEEK STARTING | MONDAY 9th OCTOBER

# VEGETARIAN

### MONDAY

MAIN DISHES

Beef chilli con carne, Fragrant rice, Guacamole and nachos(gf)

TUESDAY Vegetable pasta bake, garlic ciabatta and roasted broccoli

### WEDNESDAY

Chicken and vegetable pie, Mashed potatoes, Roast peas and carrots.

### THURSDAY

Homemade sausage roll, Potato wedges and baked beans

### FRIDAY

Pasta bolognaise, served with homemade focaccia and seasonal salad

### THURSDAY

WEDNESDAY

and peas(gf)

TUESDAY

poppadom (gf)(vg)

Vegetarian sausage rolls, potato wedges, baked beans

Vegetable goulash, crushed new potatoes, roast carrots

Macaroni cheese, Salad and homemade garlic ciabatta

Roasted vegetable bhuna, Pilaf rice, onion bhaji and

### RIDAY

Vegetarian chilli, Roasted sweetcorn rice, Mexican coleslaw and nachos(gf)(vg)

## **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 Sprinkle cake

Tuesday chocolate rice crispy cake

Wednesday Choc chip cookies

Thursday Ginger sponge cake

Friday Chocolate orange marble cake

### **Supper Club**

Daily changing, freshly made supper available every evening.