

Edition 45
25th January

MOORLANDS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Dear Friends of Moorlands

There has been a bit of a wildlife theme across school this week. KS1 thoroughly enjoyed their visit on Tuesday from Diane, who runs Prickly Pigs Hedgehog Rescue in Otley. She brought along one of her residents - Rhubarb - to meet the children, who asked some fantastic questions. This afternoon, KS1 are raising money to support Diane's work through selling biscuits and books . . . there will be photos and an update in next week's newsletter.



This weekend is the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch, which is the UK's biggest citizen science wildlife survey, this has been running since 1979. Reception have got off to a head start, making feeders and bird food cakes at home, which have been put into the EYFS Outdoor Learning area. They've then been out this afternoon - with 'eagle' eyes and check sheets - to see what they can spot. Also with an avian connection, Year 5 took part in an online science lesson about birds, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

If you have an hour to spare this weekend, why not take part? Last year, House Sparrows celebrated their 20th year as the number one bird spotted in UK gardens, but the decline in numbers since the survey started is staggering, with 22 million House Sparrows alone lost from UK skies since 1966. Follow the link [Big Garden Birdwatch \(rspb.org.uk\)](http://www.rspb.org.uk) to find more details, sign up to take part and submit your results.

We are in the process of reviewing the provision that we have in place at Moorlands for both term time after-school clubs and during the school holidays. We will shortly be sending a survey out - which should only take five minutes to complete - and would appreciate it if as many Moorlands' families as possible could complete it.

On Monday, we are welcoming Rev. Drost, the WGS Chaplain to deliver our assembly and to build on the work that we are doing around Fundamental British Values, including tolerance for others' religious beliefs. Parents are welcome to join us at 8.40am in the dining hall.

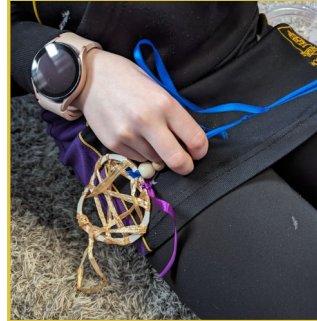
Our assemblies programme is wide and varied and an education for pupils and staff alike! This week, Mrs Woodfinden talked to the school about Burns Night Celebrations - which are in honour of Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns and take place on January 25th each year, his birth date.

Enjoy the weekend!

Jacky Atkinson

Happy Heads

This week, the Happy Heads group made dream catchers. Dream catchers are a traditional Native American creation. They incorporate a web within their centre and are hung with meaningful objects. Traditionally they are hung over the bed to capture bad dreams but may be hung in other places to attract and trap negative thoughts.



Yorkshire Water Trip

Year 5 and 6 visited Headingley Water Treatment Works on Wednesday afternoon, as part of their topic on Water.

First, we recapped on the water cycle and learnt how water enters the treatment centre (via local reservoirs and rivers). Next, we learnt about the various germs and bacteria found in water and the convoluted cleaning process to get rid of these.

The best part of the trip was donning our hard hats, headsets and hi-visibility jackets to be shown around the treatment centre itself. We saw how peat was separated from the water using lots of tiny brushes – it looked like a giant chocolate mousse!

Did you know 900 litres of water per second enters the treatment plant? Once treated, the centre produces 45 million litres of clean water every day for the people of Leeds.

Everyone agreed it was a very interesting visit; we all learnt something new.



FEBRUARY HALF TERM

GO WILD OUTDOORS

FOREST HOLIDAY CAMP 2024

10 - 4 PM

13TH - 16TH FEBRUARY

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE-

- OUTDOOR PLAY
- DEN BUILDING
- SOFT ARCHERY
- WOODLAND CRAFTS
- WHITTLING
- SURVIVAL SKILLS
- CAMPFIRE TREATS + MANY MORE

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FOREST SCHOOL	OUTDOOR LEARNING	CURRICULAM LED DAYS	ALTERNATIVE CURRICULAM
SEND	TRANSITION + ENRICHMENT DAYS	AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS	BRAND NEW! SCHOOL GROUP RESIDENTIALS
BRAND NEW! HOME EDUCATION LITTLE GOWILD OUTDOORS ADVENTURE	EVENTS	STAFF CPD	HOLIDAY CAMPS

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE-

DEN BUILDING/ WHITTLING/ BUSHCRAFT/ ARCHERY/ SOFT ARCHERY/ SURVIVAL SKILLS/ TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITIES/ GAMES/ OUTDOOR PLAY + MANY MANY MORE

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Hexapods

Year 5 have created their own Hexapod (6 limbed creature) that lives on the planet of Pandora. The children have thought about the anatomy, habitat and diet of their hexapod and have created a non-chronological report to explain each element. All children have worked incredibly hard to ensure their language is scientific and knowledgeable.

Veon Panther

Introduction

The Veon Panther is a six-legged creature that lives on the planet of Pandora. It has a long, slender body and a long tail. It is a carnivorous creature and feeds on small insects and plants. It is a very fast and agile creature and can climb trees and jump great distances. It is a very intelligent creature and can solve problems and learn from its mistakes. It is a very social creature and lives in small groups. It is a very curious creature and likes to explore new places. It is a very brave creature and is not afraid of danger. It is a very loyal creature and will protect its family and its territory. It is a very hardworking creature and will work hard to provide for its family. It is a very kind creature and will help others in need. It is a very honest creature and will tell the truth. It is a very generous creature and will share its food with others. It is a very patient creature and will wait for its turn. It is a very respectful creature and will listen to others. It is a very responsible creature and will do its job. It is a very hardworking creature and will work hard to provide for its family. It is a very kind creature and will help others in need. It is a very honest creature and will tell the truth. It is a very generous creature and will share its food with others. It is a very patient creature and will wait for its turn. It is a very respectful creature and will listen to others. It is a very responsible creature and will do its job.

Appearance

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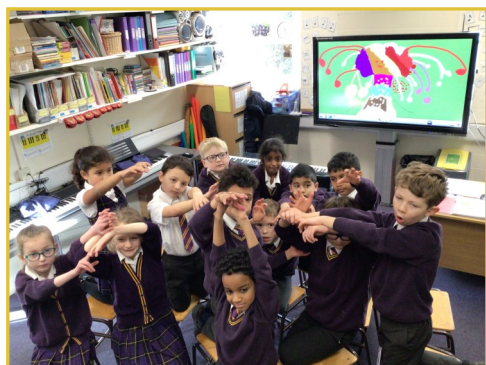
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News from Drama

Year 2 have been busy re-enacting the Awongalema Tree. It's a wonderful story about a beautiful, magic tree that begins to die when the animals who live on and around it stop saying thank you for everything the tree gives them. The animals have to travel to Mt Kilimanjaro to be reminded of the tree's name so they can say thank you. In the photo, you can see Mt Kilimanjaro and the Awongelma Tree, as designed by Year 2, in the background.



Cross-Country

Our U11 cross country team travelled to Giggleswick School in the Yorkshire Dales for the annual Prep. Schools Catteral Shield Race. The challenging course was made even more treacherous by the recent rain! Our pupils demonstrated superb resilience to complete the race,. Their were some exhausted bodies as they crossed the finished line (plus a few shoes lost to the mud!) but smiles were restored by the time the hot chocolate and cookies where served.



News from Music

Year 5 are enjoying their new topic, Chords at the Keyboard. As well as learning how to play two and three note chords, they are also exploring the different functions of the keyboard, including tones, backing tracks and endings



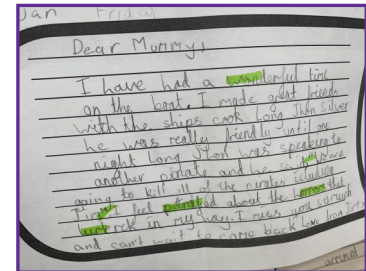
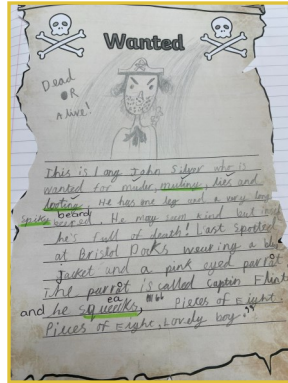
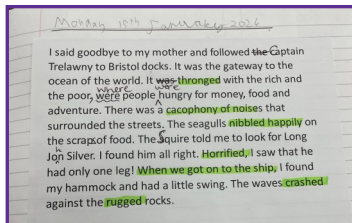
Hedgehog Biscuit Making



Long John Silver

The children in Year 3 have boarded the Hispaniola from Bristol Docks and are headed at full sail towards Treasure Island! We have met many characters along the way, including the murderous Long John Silver! We are excited to see what happens next!

Here are some examples of the children's writing in English over the past week. We have been working on adjectives and using fronted adverbials to mix up our sentence starters!



News from Science

This week, Year 5 took part in an exciting live science lesson called Build for Birds. They learnt how to protect bird biodiversity and ecosystems by looking after their habitats. For example, in the UK, new build homes often have purpose-built holes in the bricks for birds such as swifts to go into to nest. In New Zealand, kiwi corridors are being introduced so that kiwis can travel safely between habitats.

Did you know -

- The White Bellbird has a call as loud as a music concert!
- There are over 11,000 species of birds.
- Birds are a direct descendant of dinosaurs and are related to the TRex!

Which is a real bird name?

- A - Morepork
- B - Dracula Goatsucker


The answer is A - Morepork

You don't need anything in order to bird watch from home. You may see some blue tits, long tailed tits, wrens, black-birds, wood pigeons and woodpeckers to name a few. Leaving fats and peanuts out will also encourage the birds to come.




Dates For Your Diary

Mon 29th	3:45-5:00pm U9/U11 Swimming Gala vs RHS @ Moorlands
Tues 30th	1:45pm U9 Netball Festival venue TBC 2pm U9 Football vs Gateways @ Moorlands
February	
Fri 2nd	1:45pm U11 Football @ Ashville
Mon 5th	Children's Mental Health Week 3:45pm U9/U11 Swimming Gala vs Huddersfield Grammar @ Moorlands
Tues 6th	Safer Internet Day 1:45pm U9 Football @ Highfield
Weds 7th	WGS Year 7 Taster Day
Fri 9th	1:45pm U11 Netball @ Ashville 2:00pm U11 Football @ RHS
Half Term Fri 9th Feb—Mon 19th Feb	
Mon 19th	EYFS Heroes Topic
Tues 20th	1:45pm U9 Netball @BGS
Fri 23rd	2:00pm U11 Netball vs Huddersfield Grammar @Moorlands 2:00pm U11 Football vs Ladylane and Brackenfield @ Ladylane 4:00-6:00pm MSA Pupil Disco



Moorlands School

WEEK STARTING 22/01/24



MAIN DISHES

MONDAY – Beef lasagne, home-made garlic and thyme focaccia, steamed broccoli

TUESDAY – Moorlands buttermilk chicken, Cajun potato wedges, herb and lemon mayonnaise, honey roasted carrots

WEDNESDAY – Classic mushroom and smoked bacon carbonara, pesto dressing toasted pumpkin seeds

THURSDAY – Chicken tandoori, turmeric roasted new potatoes, home-made naan bread, cucumber yogurt, mango chutney, poppadom

FRIDAY – Sykes house farm sausages with mashed potatoes onion gravy and garden peas

VEGETARIAN

MONDAY – Roasted winter vegetable lasagne, home made garlic and thyme focaccia, steamed broccoli

TUESDAY – Buttermilk cauliflower, Cajun spiced potato wedges, sweetcorn salsa, honey roasted carrots

WEDNESDAY – Basil rocket and spinach pesto pasta, toasted pumpkin seeds

THURSDAY – Paneer tandoori, turmeric roasted new potatoes, home-made naan bread, cucumber yogurt, mango chutney, poppadom

FRIDAY - Quorn sausage patties with mashed potatoes onion gravy and garden peas

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 - chocolate chip cookie
Tuesday - blood orange posset
Wednesday - vanilla sponge
Thursday – carrot cake
Friday – cranberry and rosemary cake

Supper Club

Daily changing, freshly made supper available every evening.