

MOORLANDS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Headteacher's Letter

Dear Friends of Moorlands,

It was lovely that so many Foxes and Squirrels' parents were able to join us in school on Wednesday to share with their children a little of the magic that happens each day at Moorlands. The morning was a great success and is something that we are planning to do a regular basis.

We have been very busy with prospective families looking around school, and our Reception class for September is almost full. Nursery is also looking very busy, but if you do know of anyone looking for a place in Squirrels or Foxes, please do put them in contact with Mrs Marshall admissions@moorlands-school.co.uk to arrange a visit .

In an update to dates, our annual class photos have been postponed from this week until Wednesday 6th March to make try and make sure that we get a full complement of pupils.

After this week, the pace picks up somewhat with visits planned to Magna, Pontefract Castle, an Orchestra Day at Highfield Prep School and rehearsals well underway for the Year 3&4 production of 'Go For Gold', which is an appropriately themed play based on The Olympics.

There are also a number of opportunities for parents to come into school to meet with staff and support pupils in their endeavours. Please make sure you have the following in your diary:

- KS1 and KS2 Parents' Evenings on Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th March, a letter has already gone out about these.
- EYFS Parents' Evenings on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th March
- Year 3&4 Production on the evening of the 26th March
- Then the Foxhill Run to end the term on Wednesday 27th March, which all family and friends are invited to support.

School was bouncing at the end of today, with the annual Mr Shuffles Disco taking place in the dining hall. Thank you to the MSA for arranging, it is always a very popular event! And in some advance warning, the date for this year's MSA Summer Fair will be Saturday 15th June. Enjoy the weekend

Jacky Atkinson

Netball

Well done to our U9 netballers who enjoyed playing at Bradford Grammar School on Tuesday. They demonstrated super teamwork and excellent skills as they won four matches and drew one match. Olive was star player of the festival!



Reception

Reception Class started off their new topic 'Microbes and Microscopes' with a visit from a Microbiologist. This was a topic that was designed around the interests of the children and what a busy week it has been! They also performed their poems in front of their peers and congratulations to Rageh who was chosen to present his poem in next week's Monday morning assembly. Scan the QR code for a roundup of this week's classroom activities.



Squirrels Coffee Morning

Squirrels and Foxes were very excited to welcome their parents into school on Wednesday to experience a 'typical' morning in Early Years, and gain an insight into the experiences and activities we offer each day.



World Book Day

World Book Day is almost upon us again and we will be celebrating this special day on Thursday March 7, with a host of activities in school. The theme for this year is '**amazing adjectives**' and pupils are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite adjective or 'wow' word.

Hopefully this won't too onerous as most fancy dress or own clothes can be adapted to a great word!

For example: any type of *villainous* costume could be *menacing*, *ferocious* or *surreptitious*. How about *mystical*, *ethereal* or *whimsical*? Pupils wearing their own clothes could be *idiosyncratic*, *flamboyant* or *iridescent*... Pupils could dress as *stately* or *regal*? *Loathsome* or *crotchety*? *Dishevelled* or *unkempt*? *Resplendent* or *splendiferous*? *Roarsome*, *scaly* or *timid*?

After half-term, pupils will come home with an A5 piece of card on which they need to draw their 'wow' word - complete with its definition - so they can share it with their class on the day. I will send a reminder and example with the sheet of card nearer the time. House points for the most inventive word and costume!

We have decided not to host a book fair this year - due to parents' evening - but donations of good quality books for class libraries are always welcomed. Your child will be given a £1 World Book Day voucher which can be redeemed at most local book stores.

Happy wordsmithery! Mrs Doherty

KS1 Battle of Hastings

This week KS1 recreated the Battle of Hastings!



February

Dates For Your Diary

Tues 27th	2:00pm U9 Football @ Ghyll Royd
Weds 28th	Arts Day for Reception to Year 6
Thurs 29th	HLC Junior Orchestra Day for Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils
March	
Fri 1st	KS1 to Pontefract Castle 2:00pm U11 Football @ GSaL
Weds 6th	4:10-6:00pm KS1 & 2 Parents' Evening—Including Specialists
Thurs 7th	4:10-6:00pm KS1 & 2 Parents' Evening—Including Specialists
Fri 8th	9:30am Moorlands' Governors Meeting 1:45pm U11 Netball @ BGS 4:10pm String Showcase in Dining Hall
Tues 12th	1:45pm U9 Netball @ WGS
Weds 13th	2:00pm U11 Cross Country @ Belmont Grosvenor 4:10pm-6:00pm EYFS Parents' Evening
Thurs 14th	4:10pm-6:00pm EYFS Parents' Evening
Fri 15th	1:45pm U11 Football @ Read School 3:00pm Y6 vs Parents Netball



Moorlands School

WEEK STARTING 26.02.24

EAT THE SEASONS

Daily Staples

A selection of seasonal compound & simple salads, chutneys & dressings from your new look salad bar.

Plus

Rustic Breads
Fresh Fruit
Yoghurts & Granola
Chilled Dessert Pots

Simply Pasta or Jacket Potatoes available daily

Desserts

Monday - Cornflake buns

Tuesday - Carrot cake

Wednesday - Vanilla sprinkle cake

Thursday - Flapjack

Friday - Chocolate brownie

Supper Club

Ask the chef -Daily changing,
freshly made supper available every evening.

MAIN DISHES

MONDAY

Beef chilli con carne, steamed rice, nachos, tomato salsa & sour cream

TUESDAY

Buttermilk chicken, potato wedges, sweetcorn salsa & steamed broccolli

WEDNESDAY

Homemade pork and apple sausage roll, baby roast potatoes & baked beans

THURSDAY

Beef keema with a rice pilaf, mango chutney, mint yogurt & poppadom

FRIDAY

Moorland's pizza shop

A selection of homemade pizzas with house salad and chunky chips

VEGETARIAN

MONDAY

Pepper & feta frittata, baby roasted potatoes, spinach & pickled carrot salad

TUESDAY

Italian style aubergine and tomato bake, parmentier potatoes & pesto

WEDNESDAY

Bang bang cauliflower, sesame & soy dressed noodles, crispy onions

THURSDAY

Butternut squash & spinach crumble, pesto sauce & baby gem green salad

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