

MOORSIDE INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy couple of weeks we have had, with visits to Tropical World and 'Tudor York'. We will be waving the Year 6's off to Newcastle this Wednesday, with an action-packed day planned of trampolining, a tour of the football stadium and a show. What a lovely way to celebrate their time together at Moorside! One thing that has been overwhelmingly positive is the support of the general public, who have praised the children for their polite and courteous attitudes and manners that they display when they are out on such visits. We also enjoy additional theme days in school, which enrich our curriculum. The children had fun tasting ration packs from the army and dressing up in uniform to experience 'Armed Forces' day and it was lovely that the children who have families in the forces shared their knowledge and personal stories in their classes with their peers. Thank you to parents who baked/bought cakes for our fundraising cake bake on Friday.... we raised a total of £43.00 for a fantastic charity - The British Legion. I am sure they will be pleased to receive our donations.



York Visit

Last Tuesday, the children in years 3, 4 and 5 visited York. We had a brilliant time - we were shown around the Merchant Adventurers' Hall, which was very interesting and then we sketched the building including the Tudor features. We also completed a Tudor quiz in the Shambles, and some of us even saw the most haunted place in York! Another Tudor building we had a tour around was Barley Hall, we were shown around by a Tudor and were allowed to see what a real Tudor banquet was like - this has given us inspiration for our Showcase banquet, which is coming up in a few weeks.

Transition Arrangements

The whole school have been involved in transition activities to support them as they move into their year groups for the academic year 2017-18. This will continue for the remainder of this term. We look forward to welcoming the Y2 parents to the Junior School on Wednesday 5th July at 9.05am for a short presentation about Key Stage 2 and a tour of the school with our Year 6 pupils. Please see our timetable of events/activities below. If your child is sharing any worries with you about their transition, that you feel we should be aware of, please contact their current class teacher, who will ensure that additional support is in place for them.

Thursday 8.6.17 Time: 1.30	Year 5 write letters and deliver to children to take their letters to children in Year 2. Small groups to deliver. Infants to pair up children. (For all year groups)
	Children in Y2,3,4 & 6 to write letters to the year group below....and share at a convenient time.
Children's tour 23.6.17 at 2.10 pm	Y6 children to show Y2 children around the Junior school.
Parent tour and meet and greet 5th July at 9.10am	Presentation about the school and tour with Y6 and SLT.
Wednesday 5th July 1-3pm Thursday 6th July 1-3pm	Year 2 and Year 3 joint project for Wimbledon week celebrations.
Friday 7th July 2.30pm	Whole school summer event 'Strawberry Fair' with a Wimbledon twist
Transition morning all groups 11.7.17 from 9.10-12.30pm	Children to visit new class teachers for the morning and Y2 to stay for a school dinner in the Junior school building.
17.7.17 Time: 1.00pm	Y2 Reading Buddies/book sharing. Y2 will then stay in the Junior school for an outdoor play with Y3. Y1-Y3, Y4-Y6, Y2-Y5
21.7.17 Time 1.00pm	Writing Buddies book share/activity (organised with their reading buddy from 17.7.17). Y2 will then stay in the Junior school for an outdoor play with Y3. Y1 with Y3, Y4 with Y6, Y2 with Y5.

Transition KS1

The children in Y1/2, Mrs Wilkinson's class will be taught in single year groups from this week onwards, with the Y1's joining Mrs Goss and Mrs Lodge and the Y2's with Mrs Hunton. Mrs Wilkinson has been out of school carrying out moderation work for North Yorkshire over the past two weeks, and this is an arrangement that has worked well, as the children prepare for their transitions into next year's classes together. Mrs Wilkinson is currently off school with sickness, so we wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to welcoming her back when she is better.

Strawberry Fair

We would like to invite you to our marvellous annual Strawberry Fair, organised by our very own Year 6's. The amazing fair will take place on Friday 7th July at 2.30pm. There will be a range of activities including penalty shootout, face painting, a raffle, a cake stall any many more fun-filled activities. The reason we organise this fair each year is to raise money for the traditional Year 6 leavers' hoodies. We would greatly

appreciate any donations of prizes for the raffle or tombola and cakes for the cake stall. If you are able to help, please bring any donations into school as soon as possible. Thank you. We hope to see you all there.

Written by Millie Dean (Year 6)

School Disco

We shall be holding two school discos on Monday 24th July. The first one will be for the Infant School children from 5.15pm til 6.30pm. The second one will be for the Junior School children from 6.45pm til 8.00pm. We are asking for donations of cakes and child friendly raffle prizes.

w/c	Class 3	Class 2	Class 1	3/4a	3/4b	4/5	5/6	6
12.06.17	91%	21%	56%	38%	45%	27%	30%	41%
19.06.17	50%	21%	77%	50%	28%	15%	35%	59%
26.06.17	63%	31%	45%	53%	26%	21%	39%	32%

Abacus

Well done this week to Year 1 (Mrs Goss and Mrs Lodge's classes) with 13% more than last week!! Closely followed by Mr Price's class (Y3/4). We have been giving the children opportunities to log onto abacus in school as well, to support them with their mental maths!

Class Updates

FSU – This week our 'Spark' is insects, we are going on bug hunts around the FSU garden and using identification sheets to see what we have found. Can you find any insects in your garden at home?

Year 1 – We are going on a minibeast hunt and we will use what we find to help us add 'ing' correctly to the ends of words to describe what the creatures are doing. In Maths, we are grouping, sharing and learning to write division calculations.

Year 2 – We will be working with measures and fractions in Maths. We will continue to learn about rainforests and the children will be using this to write information.

Year 3/4 – This week in Year 3 and 4, we will be planning our historical story based on our class book. In maths, we will be finishing our work on time and then using our problem solving skills to investigate different aspect of Maths.

Year 4/5 – This week in year 4/5 we will be planning and starting to write out historical narrative. In Maths we are continuing to develop our understanding of how to use decimals in maths and will also be doing more problem solving in meta-cognition to assess our 'growth mindset' skills.

Year 5/6 & 6 - Next week, we will be starting our DT project planning, designing, making and evaluating our own Tudor Houses. Year 6 children are very excited about the Newcastle trip on Wednesday and rehearsing for the Tudor Rose performance. In maths, Year 5 children will be focussing on fractions and the properties of shapes.

Box 2 b fit!

We are very much looking forward to Box2BFit on Wednesday 28th June. We really enjoyed the skipping so we are sure this will be just as exciting! Parents of children in Y3, 4 and 5 are welcome to attend the workshop at 3.15-4pm on Wednesday a letter has gone out with children today with more information. We hope to see you there!

Attendance

To date:

Reception (FS2)	Mrs Goss	Mrs Wilkinson	Mrs Hunton	Mr Price	Mrs Burland	Mrs Taylor	Miss Ryder	Miss Rogan
93.91	96.66	97.73	96.73	95.86	96.23	96.70	94.76	97.10

Last week:

Reception (FS2)	Mrs Goss	Mrs Wilkinson	Mrs Hunton	Mr Price	Mrs Burland	Mrs Taylor	Miss Ryder	Miss Rogan
93.64	96.78	97.62	96.76	86.15	92.50	94.62	95.65	99.63

Diary Dates

28 th June 2017	Year 6 trip to Newcastle
28 th June 2017	Box 2B Fit – Years 3 ,4 & 5
3 rd July 2017	Y6 – Crucial Crew
7 th July 2017	Box 2B Fit – Year 6 and Year 1 & 2
10 th & 11th July 2017	Bikeability – Year 6 (Group 2)
17 th July 2017	RSPCA Visit – KS2
20 th & 21 st July 2017	KS2 Performance 1.30pm
24 th July 2017	Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 2.15pm
24 th July 2017	School Disco
25 th July 2017	Sports Day – time to be confirmed
25 th July 2017	Break up for Summer Holidays