



# MOORLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Together We Can



28<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school everyone we hope you all had a restful half term break filled with fun and relaxation. The children have returned with a great attitude to their learning. Our CEO from Campfire Education Trust visited us on Tuesday and was delighted to see this in action across the school. The children demonstrated our RESPECT values beautifully and were very proud to share their learning with Mrs Mitchell.



### Retirement wishes

Mrs Dredge has been a huge part of our improvement journey at Moorland and worked non-stop behind the scenes to help improve communication and admissions over the last 3 years. Each week Mrs Dredge would write our weekly newsletter, update school policies and help organise school trips, admissions and letters to parents. We must not forget our fabulous redesigned website that would not have been created without her dedication and persistence. However, the time has come for her to enjoy a well-earned retirement – thankyou Mrs Dredge. We look forward to your visits and to hear all about your new adventures.

### Visit from Al Sylvester

The Year 5 and 6 children really enjoyed Al's visit on Monday, the children were inspired by his incredible experiences. Al was so impressed with their engagement and questions here is what he had to say about our wonderful pupils:

***"WOW, WOW, WOW what another wonderful morning I shared with your pupils on Monday, your pupils have blown me away with their impeccable behaviour and their very well thought out questions. I'm so glad their response was so positive as it was a pleasure to present my adventures to them all. Please relay my thanks to them all and your lovely colleagues for such a great time."***



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## Bikeability: Learn to ride a bike for Year 5 and 6 – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March

On Monday and Tuesday, some of the children in Year 5 & 6 will take part in a learn to ride a bike session with the Bikeability team. This will take place on the school MUGA and they will provide the bikes and helmets for us to use.

On-the-road training will begin on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March. More details will follow next week. **Please note: only the children who have returned their consent forms will be able to take part.**

## Drop in Reading Clinic – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March

Drop-in Reading Clinic with Mrs Maxwell and Mrs Norfolk. This is a wonderful chance for parents (or children) to ask any questions in relation to reading... no appointment necessary just come and enjoy the library.



stay & play

## Nursery Stay and Play – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Nursery parents are welcome to join us for a fun Stay and Play session on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 8.30am – 10.00am. It will be great to see you.

## Year 6 SATS Parent meeting - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March -2.30pm

Calling all Year 6 parents: Please attend a very important Year 6 SATS information meeting on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. This is a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's preparation for their SATs. Miss Tompkins will provide you with all the information you need to know as well as tips on how you can support your children.



## World Book Day – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March

It's World Book Day on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March at Moorland School. After the success of last year, we have decided the children can dress up as a **Word** again, for example, if you think of the word 'Sparkly', your child might wear a sparkly top or a glittery belt. Or if they imagine they are a 'Tree', they could wear brown trousers and a green top with some leaf patterns attached to the top. We can't wait to see the children celebrating World Book Day.



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## Our Uniform



### Uniform reminder

Unfortunately, there has been an increase of children wearing the incorrect uniform again. We want our children to be proud of our school and wearing school uniform is part of that. School uniform ensures that every child feels part of the school community. **Every school has a uniform and Moorland is no different**, so please help us by ensuring your child wears uniform **every day**. Wearing school uniform saves money as we keep ours to a very basic and affordable list of items – it really is so much cheaper than the branded logos many of our children love to wear. Uniform also saves all the “wear and tear” to your child’s own clothes.

Here is a reminder of the expectations for school uniform.

- Burgundy sweatshirt or cardigans (only Y6 wear black) preferably with our school logo on;
- Dark Grey School trousers (not tracksuit bottoms), tailored shorts, pinafore dresses or skirts;
- Polo shirt in white- it is optional whether to purchase these with our school logo on;
- A burgundy hijab (a black hijab for children in Year 6);
- Socks in white, grey or black;
- In the summer, a burgundy check dress can be worn;
- Plain black shoes or plain black trainers



**Our PE kit** – Children need to wear the following items of clothing for PE each week. They need to come dressed ready for PE on their allocated day please.

- a Plain White t-shirt with or without the school logo – but please no other commercial brands or logos
- Plain Black shorts or Joggers – without any commercial brands or logos
- Trainers for outdoor PE
- Burgundy sweatshirt or cardigans (only Y6 wear black) preferably with our school logo on



If your child attends an after school sports club on a different day to their PE day, please bring their PE kit with them to change into at the end of the day.

Uniform can be purchased from [Kedaph Schoolwear Limited](#). We do have a stock of good quality second hand uniform. Please contact the Well-being team for more details on available sizes.

Thank you to those of you who continue to support our high expectations. **Together we can raise the aspirations for every single child.** Wearing the correct uniform, having excellent attendance and demonstrating positive behaviours all help our children succeed



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## School dinners

This week there have been a lot of children who have not had their school dinners booked please make sure you don't miss the deadlines each Sunday for the following week. You can book your child's lunches right up until the end of this half term. Here are the deadlines for ordering school dinners for the rest of this half term.

| Deadline to place order  | For meals the week beginning: |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar  | Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> March |
| Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar  | Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March |
| Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March |
| Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar | Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March |



**If you miss these deadlines, your child must bring a packed lunch from home.**

Meals are prepared to order and there is no guarantee that there will be anything spare if you forget your child's packed lunch – **if there are spare lunches these can be offered at the daily price charged from Chartwells.** The office will phone you if your child has no lunch which is an inconvenience for you.

Pack your child a  
**HEALTHY LUNCH BOX**

Choose a variety of foods from each food group

|                                     |                            |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Fruit</b>                        |                            |
| <b>Vegetables</b>                   |                            |
| <b>Dairy</b>                        |                            |
| <b>Wholegrains</b>                  |                            |
| <b>Lean meat &amp; alternatives</b> |                            |
| <b>=</b>                            | <b>A Healthy Lunch Box</b> |















## Moorland Attendance HERO – Here, Every day, Ready to learn, On time

Well done Squirrels – you just sneaked ahead of Badgers to grab the lead.

Well done to everyone who achieved 100% attendance this week, even if the overall class attendance fell short of that, you are doing great.

We really want everyone to be a Moorland Attendance HERO – Here, Every day, Ready to learn, On time. So please help us achieve the success your child deserves.

### Attendance for Week Beginning Monday 24th February 2025

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|  Ladybirds ~ <b>94.8%</b>      |  Owls ~ <b>93.7%</b>  |
|  Hedgehogs ~ <b>93.6%</b>      |  Squirrels ~ <b>95.7%</b>  |
|  Foxes ~ <b>86.5%</b>         |  Badgers ~ <b>95.3%</b>  |
|  Falcons ~ <b>93.5%</b>      |  Skylarks ~ <b>92.1%</b>  |
|  Whole School ~ <b>93.0%</b> |  |

### Wraparound care

Thank you to those of you who took part in our survey before half term but it would be great if we had feedback from more of you. This will help shape the direction of our before and after school provision.



**WRAP AROUND CARE**

We are looking at the potential to offer wrap around care before and after school.  
TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

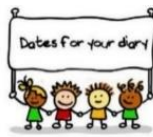
SCAN THE QR CODE TO FILL IN OUR QUICK FEEDBACK FORM

### Holiday Activity (HAF) Vouchers

The Holiday Activity vouchers will be issued automatically to eligible families and will be sent to parents on **Sunday 9th March**. Please click on the link to the [Parents Guide](#) to find out what is available for the spring holidays.



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| Date  | Event   |
|---|---|
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> March                           | Y5 & Y6 Learn to ride sessions  |
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> March   | Nursery and Reception Book Start story session with Moorlands Family Centre   |
| Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar 3pm -3.30pm                                      | Reading Drop in Clinic for parents all year groups  |
| Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> March   | Nursery parents Stay and Play 8.30am-10.30am  |
| Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> March   | Y6 SATS Parents meeting 2:30pm- 3pm   |
| Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March  | World Book Day – Dress up as a Word or a book character   |
| Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> March  | World book Day in the community – See flyer below   |
| Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> & Tue 11 <sup>th</sup> March                         | Parent teacher meetings 3:15pm – 5:30pm – sign up next week   |
| Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> March<br>Year 1 to Year 6 parents                    | Coffee Morning. The School nursing team are visiting to offer advice and information about dealing with headlice – <b>Forewarned is Forearmed</b> . Always better to get the advice and information before you need it. |
| Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> , Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> & Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> March | Y5& Y6 Bikeability lessons begin – please make sure you have returned the permission forms  |
| Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> March   | Reception families Story Café – Chicken Licken come along and cuddle our newly hatched chicks.  |
| Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> April   | Moorland Community Day in partnership with MK College and Woughton Parish Council – more details to follow  |
| Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 1pm-2pm   | Nursery open afternoon for prospective nursery parents and their child  |
| Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 3pm   | Term Ends   |
| <b>Easter Holidays</b>  |   |
| Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 8.30am  | Children return to school   |
| Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> April  | Class Photos and Year 6 Individual photos   |

## Celebrating World Book Day in the Community

### World Book Day Event

Here's to the endless adventures waiting to be discovered! Let's celebrate the magic of reading and the power of knowledge

**FREE EVENT - Join us!**

**Reading Trail**

**Free Little Library**

**Arts & Craft**

**WORLD BOOK DAY**

We are bringing World Book Day fun into the community on the 8th March. It's a Saturday so families can enjoy it together. Children & young people from different schools and Home Educated children can take part together. Dress up as your favourite book character and come, join in the fun!

**Saturday 8th March 11am-2pm**  
The Youth Centre  
95 Jonathans  
Coffee Hall

Info: email: [coffeebeanevents@outlook.com](mailto:coffeebeanevents@outlook.com) or call WCC team on Tel 01908 395681

### World Book Day Event

**The idea** World Book Day is all about celebrating everything that is great about books. We are bringing World Book Day fun into the community on the 8th March. It's a Saturday so families can enjoy it together. Children & young people from different schools can take part together and Home Educated children get to join in! Everyone is welcome. No99 is accessible to wheelchair users. Dress up as your favourite book character and join in the fun!

**Reading Trail**

We have created a walking trail around Coffee Hall. Meet at No99 Jonathans, collect your map and off you go, at your own pace. Find the four stops along the way, where some special guests will read part or all of some of the world's favourite children's stories. Trail starts at 12 noon.

**Arts & Craft**

Have fun with crafts. Make your own bookmark to take home for your favourite book.

**Free Little Library**

Stop by the Woughton Free Little Library in the front garden on No95 Jonathans. Borrow a book or two, sit and read it or take it home to read again & again. You can bring it back and swap it another day!

**WORLD BOOK DAY**

**FREE EVENT - Join us!**

Doors to the new Wellbeing Hub at No99 Jonathans. Coffee hall opens at 11am. You can arrive anytime to read, to meet local poets & writers. Get a drink and a free snack pack. Enjoy the craft activities, grab your trail map.

Osborne Books will be at the centre and we will have lots of information available about MK Libraries. Books from our new Book Club and opportunities for adults to learn to read and build their writing skills for work for pleasure. Come and go as you choose, the doors close at 2pm.

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