

# Moss Side Primary School

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Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019



Dear Parent,

It has been a wonderful start to the new school year and a pleasure to welcome back pupils following the summer break (and welcome in our new starters). I hope that you enjoyed some extended family time over the summer, although I know a few of you have told me that you are glad that school is back so that you can have a rest!

## Meet the Teacher Dates

These meetings are straight after school, for any parents of pupils in Year 1 to Year 6 and provide an opportunity to be introduced to your child's new teacher as well as learn about classroom routines, expectations etc. We would welcome as many parents as possible attending and, if any parents are unavailable, grandparents are more than welcome. If required, pupils can be left in the hall while the meetings take place. Each meeting is around 20-30 minutes long.

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September** - Mrs Simpkins and Mrs Dunne

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September** - Mr Kellett and Miss Thomas

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September** - Mr Gilyead and Mrs Dunwell

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September** - Mrs Torbett

## Reading

As you know, promoting reading is a key aim of school this year. We are hoping to:

- Captivate pupils' love of reading
- Improve pupils' understanding of what they read
- Increase pupils' stamina for reading (allowing them to read more for longer)

Both myself and class teachers will be discussing ways that you can support your child's reading development at next week's meetings. We are also hoping to use the next term as an opportunity to develop this area of the curriculum further.

As a great starting point, we have been delighted with the entries for our 'Extreme Reading' competition. Please have a look at the entries when you attend the 'Meet the Teacher' meetings next week and feel free to send in any late entries by the end of next week to [extremereading@mosside.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:extremereading@mosside.lancs.sch.uk).

Thank you very much to all of those parents who supported the initiative by helping to take photos in a variety of places.

## Twitter

Moss Side's got...Twitter. This will be an additional way for school to communicate important reminders this year. Please follow us [@mossideprimary](https://twitter.com/mossideprimary) for the latest news and reminders about important school dates. If you do not currently have Twitter, why not give it a try?!

## Water Bottles

Junior pupils are encouraged to bring a bottle of water only to drink in class, as a way to keep them hydrated without disrupting the flow of lessons. For any pupils on packed lunch, this should be **in addition** to their dinnertime drink (which could be more water, or may be cordial/juice).

## PE Kits

If you have not already done so, please ensure your child's PE kit is in school, with all items labelled. Junior pupils are encouraged to have a pair of trainers as part of their PE kit as many activities take place outside.

## **Key events next week**

**Monday** Girls football Y5 & 6

**Tuesday** Brass, Meet the Teacher (Mrs S and Mrs D)

**Wednesday** Meet the Teacher (Mr K and Miss T), Girls football Y5 & 6

**Thursday** Swimming, Meet the Teacher (Mr G and Mrs D)

**Friday** Meet the Teacher (Mrs T)

## Clubs

Clubs for this term are listed below. Please note that all clubs start week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> September including Y2 dance (slips were sent earlier in the week).

## Brass

All pupils from Y5 or 6 who signed up to brass are due to start lessons on Tuesday. Please ensure their instruments are in school on Tuesday morning.

Swimming

Year 5 begin swimming lessons again on Thursday. Do not forget your kit!

Front of school

In order to ensure the safety of all our pupils and staff, the front entrance to school has a hatch whereby visitors can let the Front Desk know of their arrival. It is important that the Front Desk know when anybody has entered the building, hence the need to use this rather than walking straight through the internal doors. As has always been the case, parents and visitors are more than welcome in school but this procedure ensures that we know who is in the building at all times. In a similar way, if you wish to speak to a class teacher at one of the playground doors, please tell a member of staff, rather than walking straight through the building.

We hope that you will support this routine for the benefit of all our pupils.

Online News

Please remember that this newsletter is available via email. If you wish to receive it in this way, please email [bursar@mosside.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@mosside.lancs.sch.uk). Alternatively, the newsletter is available via the website.

Yours faithfully

Mr A Wright (Headteacher)

Stars of the Week	
Mrs Swift	All Reception for having a wonderful first day!
Mrs Dunwell	Hudson Jackson for a fabulous start to our week!
Mr Gilyead	Kacper Dudek for making a great start to the year.
Mrs Simpkins	Conor Fell for a lovely piece of writing about his holiday.
Mrs Dunne	Charlie Dargie for a Super Start to Y3.
Mr Kellett	Lavani Karia for some quality writing about her Summer holiday.
Miss Thomas	Bradley Mallon for a brilliant start to Y5 and working hard on his writing plan.
Mrs Torbett	Lucas Green for making a super start to Y6.
Winning House: Blue	
Silver Leaf: James Guise-Savigar for helping Y3 clear away their dinner plates.	

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**Extra-curricular clubs (September 2019)**

My child ..... wishes to attend:

Club	Day and Time	Collection
Guitar Club (KS2) [____] <i>Limited numbers</i>	Tuesday (3.15-4.00)	Walk home [____] Picked up [____]
Coding Club (Y3+4) [____]	Tuesday (3.15-4.00)	Walk home [____] Picked up [____]
Band (Y6) [____]	Wednesday (3.15-4.15)	Walk home [____] Picked up [____]
Netball (Y5+6) [____]	Thursday (3.15-4.15)	Walk home [____] Picked up [____]
Football Club (Y5+6) [____]	Friday (3.15-4.15)	Walk home [____] Picked up [____]

Signed .....

Date .....