

Moss Side Primary School

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Friday 1st October 2021

Dear Moss Side Community,

Our choir start rehearsals tonight and we are already excited to see what they are going to produce - if it is anything like the singing that is being done in preparation for our harvest assemblies then we are in for a treat!

PE Kit

Please remember that there is a standard PE kit for school (albeit we make purchasing as simple as possible by not insisting on 'school branded' clothing). Last year we allowed a certain amount of flexibility due to the COVID situation but there is now an expectation that pupils dress in the correct kit. This is important because:

- It has been chosen to be suitable for the PE and sport activities at school.
- It gives all pupils a sense of togetherness to dress in the same manner.
- Pupils wear this kit to represent school at multi-school events (we cannot wait to get back to these after nearly two years). The same kit shows we are a true team and creates the right focus ahead of sporting events.

As a reminder, PE kit is:

- Light blue t-shirt
- Navy blue shadow shorts
- Trainers or black pumps (elasticated or Velcro). NB. Bare feet may be used instead at the teacher's discretion
- Tracksuit bottoms (for outdoor/cold weather use)

Cycling short style shorts are not suitable unless shadow shorts are worn over the top and football kits etc. are not part of the uniform.

Pupils can wear their own clothes should they be attending an afterschool sports club.

Admissions

The admissions window is now open for all children due to start primary school in September 2022. If you know of anyone who would like to be part of our EYFS 2022 cohort, please feel

free to let them know that they are most welcome to arrange a visit to have a look around school. Appointments can be arranged by contacting Mrs Price.

For both primary and secondary applications, please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools.

Year 6 parents are reminded that they have until **31st October** to apply.

Parking

Please can I make another plea for consideration when parking around school. We really value the relationship that we have with our local residents - we all share the same community after all. It is therefore disappointing to hear stories of blocked driveways or inconsiderate parking. They are not always obvious but around school there are many private driveways that lead to fenced gardens; these can appear as public parking spaces but they are usually not.

Parent Governor Election

There are places for 4 parent governors on the governing body of this school. They are elected by the parents of pupils at this school to serve a 4 year term of office. There is now a vacancy for 1 parent governor. You may, if you wish, put yourself forward for election, by collecting a nomination form from the school office.

The timetable for the election is:-

1. Nomination form to be returned to me by **12.00 noon on MONDAY 18th OCTOBER 2021**
2. Ballot papers to be sent to all parents on **FRIDAY 22nd OCTOBER 2021**
(Voting will only take place if there are more nominations than vacancies)
3. Ballot papers to be returned to me by **12.00 noon on FRIDAY 5th November 2021**

4. The votes will be counted at **12.30pm on FRIDAY 5th November 2021** after which the result will be announced.

Governors have an important and influential role to play in the life of our school, and I do hope you will be able to take part in this election by becoming a candidate and by casting your vote when the time comes.

If you require any further information about being elected to the governing body, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Dates for your diary

Infant harvest - 14th October 9.15

Junior harvest - 21st October 9.15

Parents are welcome to attend these assemblies and more details will follow.

Parents' evenings - 20th and 21st October (further appointment details to follow)

COVID Test Results

Thank you to all those parents who have taken pupils for PCR tests following cases within their class. A reminder again that, in order to make the system re. results as efficient as possible (and save you some time), please follow these steps:

- If your child has symptoms and has a PCR test, please inform Front Desk that they are going and also as soon as they receive a result. As always, calls to school are via 01772 432048.
- If you take your child for a voluntary PCR test, you must inform school immediately if the result is positive so that we can monitor cases within school.
- If you take your child for a voluntary PCR test and the result is negative, there is no need to inform school.

Remember that voluntary testing due to being a close contact does not mean that you are required to isolate unless you develop symptoms or receive a positive result.

Stars of the Week	
Rec	Amy Quayle for always trying her very best and for a lovely show and tell presentation.
Rec/ Y1	Poppy Jamson for always doing the right thing and learning our harvest song beautifully.
Y1/2	Gabby Zarina for winning our guess how many conkers competition!
Y2	Elliot Fucile for putting in a lot of effort into his literacy work this week.
Y3	Sienna Sear for all round wonderfulness in class! An independent worker and always keen to offer help to others. Super star!
Y4	Carter Aston for listening carefully, answering lots of questions and always giving his best.
Y5	Jude Kirkham for being an excellent 'Hugo' in our Literacy lesson, always putting his hand up with interesting contributions and spending his free time doing even more work about our new class novel!
Y6	Darcy Brindle for some super editing work in English lessons this week.
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Happy Friday!

Mr Wright