

Moss Side Primary School

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Friday 11th February 2022



Dear Moss Side Community,

The end of a very busy and somewhat challenging half-term has arrived! Pupils, staff and parents have coped well with the disruption that COVID has caused; I now hope that everyone can have a restful half-term and that we can have a more settled period in the second half of the term.

Parents' Evenings

The link is now closed for parents' evening and your child should have brought home a slip after school today that confirms your time.

If you are yet to make an arrangement, I would urge you to do so as these are a very important opportunity to discuss your child's progress. Staff will do their best to cater for any late requests within the times that they have left.

After School Clubs

Due to parents' evening, there will be no afterschool clubs in the first week of term (apart from the South Ribble run cheerleading). A new form will be sent out via Dojo at the start of term to sign up to any new clubs, with the full range of clubs listed below. The form will confirm whether returning clubs are for new and/or existing members - as always, we will try to cater for as many pupils as possible although some clubs have a necessary cap.

May I take this opportunity to thank staff who give up their time to offer this to our pupils - it is part of the fabric of school life, especially for Junior pupils, but is only possible because of the commitment of the team.

Monday - Gardening (4), Netball (5/6), Chess (2-6), Guitar (4-6), French (5/6)

Tuesday - Badminton (5/6 *before school*), Fit 4 Life (3/4)

Wednesday - Cheerleading (1/2), Coding (3/4), Art (4/5)

Thursday - Tennis (3/4), Football (5/6)

Friday - Choir (4-6)

World Book Day 2022

We will be holding our school 'World Book Day' on **Friday 4th March 2022** (one day later than the advertised Thursday 3rd March).

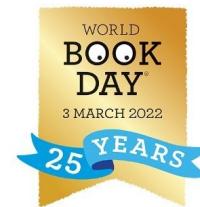
We would like to invite pupils (and staff) to come into school as a book character.

KS1 - Children may come as any book character they like.

KS2 – The juniors are going to have the theme of 'Peter Pan'. IF children want to join this optional theme, then they are welcome to come as one of the characters (Peter, Wendy, John, Michael, Captain Hook, Tinkerbell or the crocodile.) A pirate costume would fit in as would just being in your pyjamas as this is what Wendy, John and Michael wear when they meet Peter.

Of course, this is optional and children can come as any book character they choose. Please do not go to any expense.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Friday March 4th.



Uniform

Due to the drop in temperatures caused by the increased ventilation in some classes, a small number of pupils have worn additional clothing during the past term. Once we return after the holiday, there will be an expectation that all pupils return to the usual uniform arrangements. This is due to (hopefully) a rise in temperatures but also reinforced guidance that means having doors and windows open for the majority of the day is no longer suggested, instead using this as a tool to increase ventilation at key points, combined with using CO2 monitors to support that check.

A couple of key points to note from the uniform policy (available via the website):

- Uniform does not need to be 'branded' - supermarket clothing in school colours is perfectly acceptable. No other colours should be worn, including as part of PE kit.
- Sensible, flat, predominantly black shoes (traditional school shoes or modern 'trainer style' are acceptable but must be black). Ballet style pumps are unsuitable, particularly in winter conditions.
- Leggings *can* be worn for PE but must be underneath navy blue shadow shorts.

Class Assemblies

An unfortunate consequence of the additional COVID measures this half term has been the cancellation of class assemblies. In order to give each class a Friday slot to perform, we will have one assembly this year from EYFS-Year 5. This term, the following classes invite parents and/or grandparents in to watch on the following dates:

Friday 11th March - Mr Gilyead

Friday 25th March - Mrs Simpkins

Friday 1st April - Miss Thomas



Assemblies start at 9.10.

Racket Festival

Juniors will take part in a racket festival on Thursday 24th February as part of our commitment to the local School Games programme. Pupils should wear PE kit on this day.

Half Term

School closes at 3.15pm today and re-opens Tuesday 22nd February.

 Stars of the Week 	
Rec	Oliver Jenkinson for always looking out and caring for his friends and being very brave
Rec/ Y1	Poppy Jamson for always putting her hand up and trying her best!
Y1/2	Lilly Wasowicz for fantastic confident writing this week.
Y2	Lucas Walker-Bamber for working particularly hard this week especially with his writing.
Y3	Ethan Blake for fantastic behaviour and always being ready to learn!
Y4	Rylea Johnson for his accurate and neatly presented symmetry work.
Y5	Riley Mathewson for always working hard to produce incredible pieces of writing!
Y6	Ella Whiteside for doing an amazing piece of writing about a tiger.
House	Yellow
Silver Leaf	Tyler Keane - Respect for Others - for helping KS1 children through the door without being asked. Jacob Wilson - Respect for Others - for really helping a new team member and encouraging a player to score the goal!

Key events next (school) week

Monday INSET

Tuesday Year 3 Child Safety Fire Visit

Wednesday Cheerleading Y1+2, Parents' Eve

Thursday Racket Festival KS2, Parents' Eve

Friday RSE Drop-in Y5+6

Happy Friday!

Mr Wright