

# Moss Side Primary School

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Friday 8th July 2022

Dear Moss Side Community,

What a phenomenal M.A.D.D week to celebrate the 40th anniversary of school! We have enjoyed Zumba dancing, drama workshops, willow weaving, singing and percussion, as well as studying some fabulous artists to create a series of class masterpieces.

Alongside all this, we have created a couple of permanent art pieces to celebrate our special anniversary. A huge thank you to all of the visitors, volunteers, staff and (of course) our magnificent pupils for their efforts this week. Mrs Simpkins and Mr Gilyead deserve a special mention for putting it all together.

## Uniform

As this is the time of year when families often begin to think about new uniform shopping, it is worth remembering our uniform policy. We have always worked hard to make our uniform accessible and affordable, with non-branded and second-hand uniform equally as acceptable as Moss Side emblazoned items. We have also tried to offer a range of colours to make it easier to purchase items from supermarkets and have been increasingly flexible during the COVID period. However, it has been noticeable of late that some pupils are not wearing the appropriate items of clothing. Uniform is important as it creates a pride in being a member of our school community, is practical for school and avoids a fashion 'competition'.

With this in mind, we have made slight adjustments to our school uniform to be phased in over the next twelve months (don't worry if you still have navy trousers, they will be OK for the next academic year). Please check the website and full policy carefully before making any future purchases.

Two areas which remain the same but we will be particularly insistent upon in the Autumn term are footwear and PE kit. PE kit should be worn on PE days (to be announced at Meet the Teacher in September):

- Light blue t-shirt
- Navy blue shadow shorts
- Trainers. NB. Bare feet may be used instead at the teacher's discretion for indoor activities such as gymnastics
- Navy blue or black, largely plain (not patterned) tracksuit bottoms (for outdoor/cold weather use). Pupils may choose to wear **plain** navy blue or black leggings

but these must be worn under navy blue shadow shorts.

- 'Normal' school jumper (pupils should not wear any additional items on PE days)

## Library Book Competition

Our school needs you! Help us win £1,000 of National Book Tokens and a membership to the School Library Association to help rebuild the library and encourage reading for pleasure - plus you could win £100 for yourself! Enter here: <http://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

## Meet the Teacher

In order to give parents/guardians plenty of notice, please see the dates for the Meet the Teacher meetings at the start of term. These are a crucial part of your child's transition to a new class and it is very important that a family member attends wherever possible. Important organisational aspects and new year group expectations are shared, with a chance for you to get to know your child's new class teacher.

These run immediately after school and, if there is no alternative, pupils can remain in school while parents attend.

Weds 7th Sep - Mrs Simpkins' and Y4

Thurs 8th Sep - Mr Gilyead and Year 6

Mon 12th Sep - Year 5

Weds 14th Sep - Miss Thomas and Year 3

*Pupils currently in Rec or Rec/Y1 will bring home a letter next week with their class arrangements for next year. All pupils will visit their new class next Friday.*

### School Games

On Tuesday, ten pupils from Year 3 and 4 represented South Ribble at the Lancashire School Games at Stanley Park, Blackpool. They represented school brilliantly and we were delighted with their effort.

### EYFS 2022 Sampling Afternoon

Thursday 14th July: Children born between September and April will attend a 'Sampling' afternoon in their new class. This will be from 1.30pm until 3.20pm.

Friday 15th July: Children born between May and August will attend a 'Sampling' afternoon in their new class. This will be from 1.30pm until 3.20pm.

### Year 5 Worden Academy Visit

Next Tuesday, Year 5 pupils will get a taste of high school life during a visit to Worden. This is an opportunity for them to consider what high school life might look like and what they might want to consider before Autumn open days start in September.

Stars of the Week	
Rec	Sophie Dennick for her amazing acting abilities!
Rec/ Y1	Mikey Mallon for some fantastic art work this week!
Y1/2	Emily Earlam for having a great MADD week!
Y2	Lola Sullivan for showing her talents in drama this week.
Y3	Mia Doyle for fantastic behaviour all year round and a great attitude towards her learning!
Y4	Leo Gordon for his fascinating facts about Ancient Egyptian tombs and pyramids
Y5	Rayan Zeynali for his enthusiasm with our singing and drama this week!
Y6	Harry Cutler for superb acting this week (and a superb attitude to learning and school life throughout Year 6!)
House	Yellow
Silver Leaf	Respect for Others - Sienna Topping and Lola Sullivan for being so quick to hold the door open at the end of lunch!

### **Key events next week**

#### **Monday**

**Tuesday** Year 5 at Worden Academy

**Wednesday** Athletics Competition

**Thursday** EYFS Sampling Afternoon (Older), Y4 swimming

**Friday** Y4 Class Assembly, EYFS Sampling Afternoon (Younger), Whole School Sampling Afternoon, Choir Club

Happy Friday!

Mr Wright