

Moss Side Primary School

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Friday 18th November 2022



Dear Moss Side Community,

Thank you to the pupils, staff and families who have supported our anti-bullying week. There has been a fantastic atmosphere around school, some great 'odd socks' and even a personalised message from Andy and the Odd Socks themselves!

Mental Health Month

Anti-bullying/Children in Need Week

This week has been Anti-Bullying week in school. We have done lots of work and held some fantastic discussions about what bullying is (and is not). Most importantly, we have focussed upon what can be done about it and who we can talk to in school or at home.

Worry Worm sales have been incredible - we hope that pupils use these to help them feel calm and secure. All monies raised will be donated to the Anti-Bullying Alliance, who support and organise the week. A big thank you to Mrs Miller and Mrs Berry for their hard work in putting these together (in their own time), alongside Year 6 who sold them. In total we raised in excess of £259.

To finish the week, our Walkie Talkie in aid of Children in Need is currently underway. From 9.00am today, there have always been at least two members of the school community walking the field, allowing them to be active, take notice and connect in order to 'check-in' with one another. In total, the School Council run event raised £185...and still counting!

Speak Out, Stay Safe

Alongside this newsletter, you will receive an NSPCC letter about the Speak Out, Stay Safe programme which will be run in school next week. This follows on from some of our themes this week and is an important part of our work to ensure that pupils know they always have a right to be heard about any worries, whatever they are.

Movember

You might have spotted me sporting an adapted beard over the last few weeks! Having discussed the idea with our pupils, who kindly signed my agreement form, my November moustache has reappeared for the first time in quite a few years. This, again, links into our work as Movember focuses on men's mental health and specific health problems.

For more information, see <https://uk.movember.com/>

Damage to School

Unfortunately, this week, we have had trespassers on the roof on at least two occasions. This has caused significant damage, with signs of vandalism meaning that several roof tiles have been broken. This has caused a number of leaks within internal rooms.

Not only is this extremely upsetting when we take such pride in our school environment, it also means that significant costs have occurred to fix the roof and also the damage to resources and the aesthetics of the school. The knock-on of this is that money is taken out of the budget, which means less can be spent directly on benefiting the learning of our pupils.

We therefore need the help of our local community! If you see any signs of individuals on school premises when they should not be, or have any other relevant information, please contact the police and/or let school know asap. There are further security measures which we are looking to implement over the coming weeks in the hope that this senseless damage can stop.

Cost of Living Support

Find out what help is available for households and businesses in Lancashire. There is lots of useful information from Lancashire County Council on the [website](#) which you can share with parents and carers.

Parent Governors

Nominations closed on Monday, with two candidates coming forward. As there are two vacancies, this means that both will be appointed. We are delighted to welcome Mr Lee Stringer and Mr Clive Carassale to the Governing Body.

Rugby Team

A huge congratulations to our rugby team who won the local cluster competition after three gruelling weeks. This is our fourth success of the term and, although Mrs Roscow and Mrs Freeman believe this is down to the change in PE coordinators this year, we know it is really due to the commitment, effort and skill of the pupils. Most pleasingly, staff report that the team played with the Moss Side spirit throughout.

Christmas Tickets

The Ticket Request Form will be shared via Class Dojo on Friday next week. Each performance is two tickets **per family** (for those in which your child is performing i.e. No Y3/4 tickets if your child is in Y5/6).

A reminder of the dates (please note the correct start time of 6.15pm)

Thurs 8th Dec - Y3/4 @ 6.15pm

Mon 12th Dec - Y3/4 @ 2.00pm & Y5/6 @ 6.15pm

Tues 13th Dec - Infant @ 9.30am & Y5/6 @ 2.00pm

Weds 14th Dec - Infant @ 9.30am

Thurs 15th Dec - Infant @ 6.15pm

World Cup

Juniors will be given the opportunity to watch the England v Iran match on Monday afternoon, should they wish to. The school day, uniform requirements etc will remain as usual.

Stars of the Week	
Rec	Freddie for brilliant letter formation this week.
Rec/ Y1	Poppy for being a kind classmate to everybody and looking out for others when they're upset.
Y1/2	Kaydee for great maths work this week.
Y2	Paisley for making huge improvements in her handwriting this week.
Y3	Oakley for trying really hard in English using inverted commas for direct speech. You showed great resilience, well done!
Y4	Luca for working hard and excellent progress in maths this week.
Y5	Dominykas for consistently bringing a positive approach to all we do.
Y6	Olivia for displaying a conscientious attitude towards her learning and all that we do in school.
W House	Blue
Silver Leaf	Seth - Respect for Learning - he went home and researched something for the class, without being asked, that even the teacher didn't know. Rory - Respect for Others - for helping others, without hesitation, when they needed it.

Key events next week

Monday

Tuesday Choir

Wednesday Fencing

Thursday Dodgeball Club (AM), Swimming Y5, Dance,

Friday

School Dinner Week: #3

Happy Friday,

Mr Wright