

Moss Side Primary School

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Friday 9th December 2022

Dear Moss Side Community,

It was a great start to our Christmas Performances last night, as Year 3 and 4 took to the stage. We look forward to seeing the rest next week.

Secrets' Room

A huge thank you to all those volunteers who supported this event and Mrs Burdin, in particular, who dedicated days (and days) to prepare all the items. Feedback from pupils was extremely positive and it was a pleasure to have this school tradition back. We hope all the presents have been carefully stored ahead of the 25th!

Sports Finals

In the last two weeks, we have been extremely proud to have competed in the South Ribble Finals for both athletics and football. Getting to these finals is a big achievement, which saw the top nine schools from the borough in both disciplines competing.

Pupils worked hard and gave a good account of themselves, as did all schools and both events were a great example of the hard work that the Active Health team do in our area.

Christmas Tickets

All ticket requests have been allocated. Please could I stress the importance of returning unwanted tickets, to ensure that we can reallocate where possible. Should any families wish for any extra tickets, they can contact Mrs Price directly. These are available at an additional two per performance and distributed on a first-come-first-served basis.

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*

A reminder that, this year, we have decided that any performance donations will be used to pay for a special Christmas treat on the last day of school when we have invited Altru Theatre into school to perform for us.

* This performance is sold out

Christmas Parties

A reminder that these will be held in the last few days of term. Pupils are encouraged to wear their party outfit for the day (but remember that they still need to be able to play out).

Fri 16th Dec - Y3/4 Party

Mon 19th Dec - Y5/6 & Infants Party

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

As part of our Christmas dinner celebrations, pupils are invited to wear their favourite Christmas jumper (instead of their school jumper if they wish). They may also like: Santa hats, deely boppers, Christmas hair bobbles, Christmas T-shirts or shirts ... Basically, pupils can accessorise uniform on Wednesday 14th December.

This is to raise money for Save the Children, who have been promised match funding from the Government this year, so that for every £2 we raise, they will double the contribution. Pupils have been encouraged to use pocket money (small copper and silver donations) rather than bring large sums at this time of year. As usual, we ask for any donations (if you can) on the day so that pupils can see their money in action.

Please **do not go and buy anything specifically for this** - a homemade Christmas badge or t-shirt will do the same job.

Holiday Requests

Holiday request forms should be completed for any request for absence. Families are reminded that there are strict criteria set by the Government for absence from school, which we are unable to deviate from. As a school, we set a target of 97% attendance for all pupils, in order to best support their education.

Cold Weather

Please be careful while walking to school and on school premises while the icy weather is here. Pupils should also ensure they have all appropriate clothing on.

Swimming Kit

If families have items they can donate to our spare kit box (to fit year 4 or 5 pupils) we would appreciate it. This could be costumes or towels.

Physical Education Study

Y4-Y6 pupils should have brought home a parental request for permission for them to take part in a survey about physical activity. This is a research paper by Mr Mason (who worked at school last summer). We would be grateful if parents could complete and return this form asap.

Choir

Next Tuesday will be the last practice before Christmas.

Scarlet Fever

A letter from UK Health Security Agency has been shared, relating to the rise in infections. I would urge parents to be alert for signs but equally not to worry unduly.

Antibiotics

A reminder that any pupils requiring antibiotics during the school day (if four are required per day) must have a completed medication form and the medication handed over by their parent/guardian at the start of the day. Unfortunately, non-school forms and medication left in school bags cannot be accepted.

End of Term

School closes Tuesday 20th December at 3.15pm for the Christmas holiday.

Stars of the Week	
Rec	Reggie for working hard and great listening all week!
Rec/ Y1	Georgia for her super work in phonics and working hard at her reading!
Y1/2	Oliver for wonderful story writing this week.
Y2	Dylan for beautiful singing in our Christmas performance.
Y3	Eva for showing resilience in the Christmas production and giving it a go.
Y4	Danielle for some great story writing this week.
Y5	Elvie for learning her lines for the performance brilliantly!
Y6	Kaci for displaying amazing acting and singing skills in our Christmas play.
W House	RED
Silver Leaf	Amber Y5 - Respect for Others - for being really kind and helping a classmate tidy their tray.

Key events next week

Monday Y3/4 Production (PM), Y5/6 Production (Eve)

Tuesday Infant Production (AM), Y5/6 Production (PM), Choir

Wednesday Infant Production (AM), Christmas Dinner/
Jumper Day

Thursday Swimming Y5, Infant Production (Eve)

Friday Y3/4 Party

School Dinner Week: #3

Happy Friday,

Mr Wright