



Dear Moss Side Community,

It felt like a slightly sluggish start to the week after all of the Christmas festivities but I think everyone is back up to speed now! Hopefully this means that everyone had an enjoyable two-weeks but, however the festive season went for you, the new year brings new hope.

This week's assembly theme has been all about team work (ask your child to tell you what they have learned from geese) and the importance of everyone sharing the task of taking the lead. In a lovely moment this week, I taught Year 5 a new game as part of our active lunch and - within minutes - could identify 8 or 9 leaders in a group of around 15 who were encouraging, organising, analysing and (most importantly) having fun. What great role models they are!

Parent Survey

We are desperate for more responses for our survey. Last year we had **150**, this year the total **currently stands at 51**. It will only take a few minutes and is really valuable for us to analyse.

The link will remain live until **Monday**.
<https://forms.office.com/e/E4z1GDpcev>

Mobile Phones

A reminder about an important aspect of our school behaviour policy:

While understanding that mobile phones are part of the modern world, and steering clear of the arguments about when they are age appropriate, our school rule is that mobiles are **only to be brought in during the final two terms of Year 6**. Our decision has been made with safeguarding concerns within school at the centre and phones should never be on or with a pupil during lesson time. We have a duty to make sure that no pupils are in a position where, for example, inappropriate photos may be taken of them, nor in a position where accusations of inappropriate mobile phone use can be made against them.

Year 6 parents have been sent further details about this matter and full information remains available in the Positive Behaviour Policy.

Parents are also reminded that smart watches are never suitable for school - please stick to a traditional analogue or digital wristwatch.

Vaping

Parents are reminded that all school premises are smoke free. This includes vaping anywhere on school grounds.

RSE Policy

The updated RSE policy is available to view on the school website. If you have any comments, please email bursar@mosside.lancs.sch.uk.

<https://mosside.lancs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Moss-Side-RSE-Policy-Dec-2023.pdf>

Swimming

Year 4 made a good start to their return to swimming yesterday. They will continue their lessons throughout the Spring term.

School Collection

A reminder to all parents that Infant pupils **must** be collected from their relevant door at the end of the day by an adult. This is an important aspect of our safeguarding procedures at the end of the school day. We would actively encourage Year 3 parents to do the same.

Clubs

Clubs are beginning again next week. Mrs Freeman has sent the form link earlier this week via Dojo. Please make sure

you have submitted it, if your child would like to attend. Unfortunately we have had to take chess off for now as there hasn't been enough interest. We will postpone it until later in the year.

<https://forms.office.com/e/wYiNzZ35rm>



Please watch out for an update on Clubs on Dojo from Mrs Freeman by the end of today.

Primary School Admissions 2024

A reminder that if your child is due to start in school next September, you must apply by Monday. If you need any help, feel free to message Karen. <https://t.co/OtJjniLxyM>

West Lancs Scouts

West Lancs Scouts are reaching out to people, both young people and adult volunteers, to get involved in Scouting. We have posted a flyer on Dojo that has all the links for anyone interested.

 Stars of the Week 	
Rec	Adam for always being polite and being a kind friend in class.
Rec/ Y1	Thomas for his brilliant maths' work.
Y1/2	Isla G for fantastic artwork this week.
Y2	Tina for always giving her best and showing a keen interest in everything we do.
Y3	George for some brilliant maths work and also for being so kind - a great start to the term!
Y4	Lola S for some great predictions and ideas during our discussions about The Pied Piper.
Y5	Roman for always participating in every class discussion.
Y6	Alexia for superb effort and attainment in our baseline tests this week
W House	RED
Silver Leaf	Elizabeth TB Y5 - Respect for Others - for being a team player by helping other class members keep their books up to date by sticking work in when they weren't here or busy in interventions.

Key events next week

Monday Athletics (Y5/6), Guitar (Y4/5/6),

Tuesday Dodgeball (Y5/6) AM, Choir

Wednesday Fit4Life (Y3/4), Art (Y3/4)

Thursday Swimming Y4, SR Fun Fitness Club Y5/6,
Coding (Y3/4)

Friday

Dinner Week #3

Happy Friday!

Mr Wright