



Dear Moss Side Community,

This has been another busy week in school, especially for our football teams. Both Infants and Girls teams represented school superbly this week and we were delighted with their performance (helped by the expert coaching from Mrs Roscow, Mrs Freeman and our Y4 coach Rory). Well done to all pupils involved.

There is a superb display in the hall, created by Y2, reminding us of our school values. If you are in for an assembly, or pass the hall window, have a look and remind yourself of 'The Moss Side Way'.

School Day - From September 2024

In order to comply with current DfE rules, by September 2024 our school day must be 6 1/2 hours in total. The proposal for the school start and finish times is:

Juniors, Y2 and Y1/2 classes: 8:45-3:15 (Junior gate to open at 8:40 for pupils to line up)

R/Y1 and Rec classes: 8:50-3:20

If any parents have feedback on these proposals, they may comment via <https://forms.office.com/e/YS3buDCJ9X>

This consultation will close by Friday 10th May and we will confirm the final arrangements by half term.

Rec and Rec/Y1 Collection

A reminder that parents should line up on the playground prior to collecting pupils. This is a much quicker system (I promise) once it is working smoothly and *most importantly* is the safest way to ensure your child is only sent out when we can see parents. Dismissing thirty 4-5 year olds is not an easy task and your cooperation with this is hugely appreciated by myself and the Infant staff team.

Message from Lancashire County Council

You will receive a communication from us on behalf of LCC about the importance of respectful interactions with school staff. As you are aware, myself and many of my colleagues have worked within the Moss Side Community for a long time and one of my personal reasons for such longevity is the amount of positive relationships that I have built with families over many years. Unfortunately, I work with colleagues in many local schools who have been subjected to abusive,

aggressive behaviour, involving personal and professional insults. This cannot be right and makes me extremely concerned for the way in which school staff are treated in this country. From my experience, the majority of school staff work incredibly hard, well beyond their paid hours and roles, largely because they deeply care about what they do. That is certainly the case at Moss Side.

This statement from Lancashire County Council is welcome support for the profession and, I am sure you will agree, important if we are to retain skilled and caring professionals who have begun to question if the way they are treated is fair. In those moments, I think of the many wonderful families I mentioned before and hope that we can be an example, at Moss Side, of how magnificent parents can be and the amazing impact they can have on the life of a school and, as a consequence, all of the pupils within it.

As always, parents are welcome to come and discuss any issues and we always feel that respectful, considered, two-way discussion is the best way to get the right outcomes for all our pupils.

Clubs

A reminder of Mrs Freeman's Dojo post from earlier in the week:

'The form for after school clubs has now closed as all clubs are now full. If you filled in the form for your child then they have got a place at that club.'

Girls' Cricket

The fantastic ECB programme is available to book onto, with girls' dynamos FREE when the code is used. Enjoy!

Mixed Allstars: Ages 5-8

Cost: £30.00

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/BookCourse/4cea0f6b-87b7-4ea0-9c9c-4b7eb05e5b3e>

Girls Dynamos: Ages 8-11

Cost: £0

Promo Code: TA24C

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/BookCourse/6ce09515-7d58-411d-904b-fd3e64378109>



Stars of the Week	
Rec	Ella for bringing her reading in everyday and making excellent progress.
Rec/ Y1	Thea for using her phonics to write some brilliant sentences about our dinosaur!
Y1/2	Freddie G for being extremely helpful to his new classmate
Y2	Iris M for great improvement in handwriting and presentation of her work.
Y3	Theo for always settling down to work quickly and quietly every day, and for some super mass work in Maths this week.
Y4	Amelia for some excellent cricket on Monday.
Y5	Isla for a fantastic attitude to work and behaviour all week.
Y6	Emily for having a great attitude towards learning and putting in a huge amount of effort in the run up to SATS.
W House	GREEN
Silver Leaf	Oliver M R1 - Respect for Others - for being a great team player and following all the game rules correctly.

Key events next week

Monday Guitar Club (Y4-6), Netball Club Y5/6

Tuesday Crown Green Bowling Tournament

Wednesday Cricket Club Y5/6, Police Pals

Thursday Swimming Y4, Book Club Y5, Rounders Club Y3/4, Girls' Football Tournament

Friday Rec Class Assembly, Brass, Multi Games Y3/4 (SR)

Dinner Week #3

Happy Friday,

Mr Wright