



Moorlands Primary School

High Expectations, High Achievements, Challenge and Enjoyment for All

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Dear Parents/Carers,

A huge thank you to everyone for being so sensible and understanding this morning, when we had to make decision to close the playground before school. Thank you also to Mr Womersley who was out gritting and clearing ice from 5.30am, only to find the grit was freezing over! The playground will be open at hometime, but please take care as there are still very icy patches.

This week our School Councillors were invited to the Town Hall in Huddersfield to have a tour of the Council chamber and meet the Mayor and Deputy Mayor. The trip was very interesting and they learned lots about the role of the the Mayor and Councillors in Kirklees.



Attendance:

Congratulations this week go to 2L who had best attendance last week with 97.99%. One child from the whole school with 100% attendance was chosen from a prize draw and this week the winner is Lucas K in HH who will receive a £5 voucher from Lindley Book Shop.

Family First

Please follow the link for a copy of the Family First magazine. http://www.familyfirst.co.uk/ff_mag/



Moorlands Drama Group



Well done to the Moorlands Drama Group who performed on stage at the Victoria Theatre in Halifax on Sunday. They performed a version of Snow White to an audience of over 700 people! Our cast included: Dylan P - Peter Pan, Finlay W - Aladdin, Elissa B - Jess In Boots, Evan H - Captain Hook, Annabel H - Snow White, Daisy K - Ugly Sister Sandy, Gracie M - Lucy

(Cinderella's Mouse), Niyah M - Ugly Sister's Cat Fluffykins, Jacob P - Ugly Sister Pru, Leah R - Ugly Sister's Cat Toodles, Timothy S - Buttons, Inca T - Cinderella, Ella S - Ariel, Martha T - Rapunzel, Scarlet B - Pascal, Isobel B - Sleeping Beauty, Amelia C - Belle, Isabel F - Elsa, Lucy W - Moana, Arya K - Anna, Ted M - Iago, Evan H - Captain Hook, Zachary P - Mad Hatter, Callum R - Admiral Fork, Mollie P - Evil Assistant Slyly, Cherry V - Malificent, Billy B - Jafar and Finlay B - Gaston.

Candlelighters Charity:

I'm sure you will remember that we raised money for the Candlelighters appeal before Christmas. Children were asked to collect coins in handmade candles. There was a little more money brought in after Christmas and the final total was £556.04. Well done everyone and thank you very much.

Sporting news

Last Thursday the Year 5/6 girls and two Year 6 boys football teams played in the HTAFC Primary Stars Football Tournament. All our teams got into the finals, with our boys A team playing our B team. Our B team won and now qualify for the play-offs. The girls played amazingly, winning 5 matches out of 5. They then played in a final which they lost by one goal to a team they had previously beaten. This meant they very narrowly missed out on qualifying.

They were absolutely amazing and every single child was a real credit to our school.





Our new girls football kit can be seen in this photo which was purchased using the PTA fundraiser money from the Football tournament held at the YMCA in November. Thank you to everyone



who contributed. The girls love their new kit.

On Sunday, Sienna in Year 5 took part in The Legacy Cheerleading and Dance Competition in Newcastle. Her team of 15 came a brilliant 2nd in the junior section! Well done.

Last term our pentathlon team took part in a competition in York. This week we have just heard, with the points gained at this competition, Harry L and Finlay B have gone through to the British Schools Modern Biathlon Championships at Crystal Place, London. They needed more than 1700 points to qualify. What an fantastic achievement

Well-being Week and Resilience (5th – 9th February)

In recognition of Children's Mental Health Week 2018 (as endorsed by the charity Place2Be), the children and staff will be taking part in a range of activities linked to Well-being and Resilience. Careful planning has gone into the week as we continue to work towards our Carnegie Centre of Excellence for Mental Health in Schools Award to ensure we embed Well-being and understanding of Mental Health. Each Year group is lucky enough to have a workshop:

Year group	Workshop
Reception	Pets as Therapy (Tuesday 6 th)
Year 1	(Please let us know about any allergies or fears)
Year 2 and Year 3	Yoga (Friday 9 th)
Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6	Skip2BeFit (Wednesday 7 th)

We will also be learning about how the brain works, what Mental Health is, experiencing relaxation and concentration techniques and celebrating our uniqueness. We will also be working on building the children's resilience and will be doing some team building activities to support an 'I can' attitude!

We are sure that 'Well-being and Resilience week will be lots fun and hope the children tell you lots about it at the end of each day!

Reception Chinese New Year assembly

We would like to invite you to a special assembly on the 15th February at 2.40pm. The Reception children will be presenting an assembly about the Chinese New Year. Please come to the hall entrance, sign in and enjoy the assembly. We do hope you can join us.

Mobile phones- safeguarding:

Please can we remind you that children are not allowed mobile phones in school. Can we also ask if your child has a 'Smart' watch, which allows notifications from mobile phones to come through, that they turn the notifications off, if they are wearing the watch for school.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding our children is our priority in school. Here are some useful links to help safeguard our children:

What is Prevent?, Let's Talk About It <http://www.ltai.info/what-is-prevent/>

NSPCC: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/underwear-rule/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/self-harm/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/video-chat-sharing-streaming/>

Open Evening
Friday 9th February
4.30 - 7.30

- Meet our students
- Chat to our staff
- Watch the groups rehearse
- Play along with a group

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Intermediate Wind Band 4.30 - 5.45
Junior Guitars 4.45 - 5.30
Big Band 4.45 - 5.45
Junior Strings 5 - 6
Senior Strings 5 - 6.15
Ukuleles 5.30 - 6.00
Junior Wind Band 6 - 7
Senior Wind Band 6 - 7.30
Senior Guitars 6.15 - 7.15
Intermediate Strings 6.30 - 7.30

Dates for your diaries:

2 nd February:	Year 2 Titanic morning (more information to follow for Year 2)
2 nd February:	PTA event - Mark's Magic Kingdom 5.50pm
5 th February:	Pupil Well-being and Resilience Week
6 th February:	Safer internet day
7 th February:	6D Science trip
14 th February:	6CM Science trip
15 th February:	Reception Chinese New Year assembly - 2.40pm
15th February:	Meeting for current Year 5 parents - YHA residential May 2019
16 th February:	INSET day – school closed
19 th – 23 rd February:	Half term
26 th -28 th Feb:	Year 4 Robinwood residential

1 st March:	Strictly Pennine at the LBT
1 st March:	World Book Day – dress up as your favourite book character
16 th March:	Sports Relief (more information to follow)
19 th -23 rd March:	Maths Week
23 rd March:	Parent/carer Open Afternoon
26 th March:	Creative Arts Celebration Evening - 6pm
28 th March:	Year 1 Easter Assembly - 9.20am
29 th March:	Break up for Easter
14 th to 18 th May 2018:	Year 6 SATs week.

Remember there are regular updates on Twitter @MoorlandsHudds and on our school website

www.moorlandsprimary.org.uk

As always, we do have an open-door policy, so if there is anything you would like to speak to us about, please do get in touch.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

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