

Kirklees Council, Moorlands Road, Huddersfield, HD3 3UH Headteacher: Mrs. Amanda Denney

Thursday, 14 March 2019

Dear Parents/Carers.

It has been Science and Waste Week in school this week. To launch British Science and Waste Week at Moorlands, we started with a whole school assembly recognising how science impacts our daily lives and the skills required to be a scientist. This was combined with a daring challenge where children were asked if they could walk on eggs! Surprisingly, several children managed to walk across 5 dozen eggs, which is all down to the shape of the egg, hence chickens are able to sit on them! Since then, the children have all been inspired to investigate and discover more about science and waste linked to the them journeys.

We would like to share some of our Science and Waste Week work with parents and carers on Monday, 18th March between 1.30pm and 3.15pm during an Open Afternoon.

Parents and carers are invited to come into school through the main office entrance and sign in. You are welcome to come into school at any point from 2pm to 3.00pm but we do ask that you leave by 3.15pm so the staff can get the children organised for home time. If you have any issues to discuss with the teachers, please make an appointment rather than discussing it during the Open Afternoon. The car park will be closed during the afternoon, as will the YMCA gate, to ensure the safety of the children. We look forward to seeing you on the day.

Lost Property

Lost property will be displayed, on the middle floor, during the Open Afternoon. Please have a look to see if there is anything on the table that your child has misplaced. Distinctive items of lost property are displayed on our website. Please call at the school office to claim something that your child may have lost. Also, on display in the Main Entrance will be items of school uniform, donated by parents. Please help yourself to these items, a donation box will be placed on the table. All proceeds will be given to this year's school charity.

House Points

We are delighted to announce that last week the winning House was Sycamore again with 654 points. Well done to all the children in Sycamore House who have their fourth leaf on our house point tree!



Red Nose Day – Friday, 15th March

This year for Red Nose Day we are inviting children to wear non-uniform- a theme being recycling and red. There is a suggested donation of £1.

















Drone visit

On Monday as part of our 'Come Fly with Me' topic, Year 1 had a drone demonstration. They were able to see how the drone flew, hold parts of the drone, learn lots of interesting facts and have their questions answered. The children were very interested in how the drones worked and how long they could fly for. A big thank you to Matthew Greaves for helping us again this year with our topic.





Sporting News

This weekend, after six and a half hours and 29km on court in Shrewsbury, Zak in Year 5 managed to secure his second Grade Three tournament win in his first season playing in the 12 and under age group. This is a great achievement due to his young age and puts him in a good position to be included in this summer's national tour.

He has also been selected to play for Yorkshire again in the "war of the roses" match against Lancashire this coming weekend in Leeds.

All the hard work seems to be paying off, next stop Wimbledon!! Well done Zak, what a fantastic achievement.

Well done to our two hockey teams who competed at the Kirklees final at Newsome High school on Monday. The A team came 3^{rd} overall which means they are

through to the West Yorkshire final on 27^{th} March.

On the same day, our orienteering team took part in Kirklees final. The results are as follows: Years 3/4 – team 17 came 5th, team 16 came 15th and team 18 came 18th. Years 5/6- team 26 came 12th, team 27 came 17th and team 25 came 19th. Well done to all the orienteering teams who took part in this very muddy event for the first time.

Book Bus

A huge thank to everyone who visited the book bus last week. We have been given 15% commission to spend on books for the school.

Strictly Pennine Dance Festival

The Strictly Pennine Dance festival was filmed and DVDs and Blu-Ray are now available for purchase. The DVDs are £10 and £12.50 for Blu-Ray. The order form can be found on our school website at https://www.moorlandsprimary.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=1645&type=pdf and must be ordered by 12th April.

Milk Payment for Summer Term 2019

If you would like your child to have school milk during the Summer Term 2019, would you please make a payment of £11.50 via your Parentpay account no later than Monday, 8 April 2019. This will enable us to place our new milk order in good time. If you prefer to pay via a Paypoint, please contact the office to request a barcode. Please be aware that, if you do not make your payment by the due date, we will be unable to order milk for your child for the start of the new term.

Children who have had Statutory Free Milk during the Spring Term 2019 — a milk order will be placed unless you ask us not to do so.

Children with a Statutory Free Milk entitlement who have not had milk during the Spring Term 2019 — no milk order will be placed unless you ask us to do so.

We have been asked to point out that those pupils who partake in the 'Milk in Schools Scheme' benefit from a subsidy under this Scheme. This represents a significant reduction in the actual cost of milk.

Fruit Shop Payment for Summer Term 2019 - Years 3 to 6

If you would like your child to have fruit and healthy snacks from our Fruit Shop during the Summer Term 2019, would you please make a payment of £13.50 via your Parent Pay account no later than Monday, 8 April 2019. This represents a charge of 25p for 1 item every day from our Fruit Shop. Please note that your payment means that your child opts into our Fruit Shop for the full term and, due to the numbers and logistics involved, we are unable to make refunds for absence, etc.

If you prefer to pay via a Paypoint, please contact the School Office to request a Barcode. Please be aware that it can take up to two days for a Paypoint payment to reach your account.

Invitation to Parent Space with PCAN – Wednesday 3rd April 2019, 9.00am at Lindley Infant School

Lindley Infant School have kindly invited you to Parent Space on Wednesday, 3rd April 2019 at 9.00am. Tracey McQuillan from PCAN (Parents of Children with Additional Needs) has been invited to come along to tell us about PCAN, explain what support is available for parents and answer any questions you may have.



PCAN is an independent, parent-led forum in Kirklees for all parents and carers of children and young people with additional needs aged from birth to 25 years.

PCAN provide lots of useful information, have social media platforms for networking with other parents, and are the voice of parents when working in partnership with service providers across Kirklees. Their aim is to improve services for children and young

people with additional needs.

PCAN welcome all parents or carers, whether you are just beginning to become aware that your child may have additional needs, or if they have a confirmed diagnosis or disability.

Safeguarding

Last Friday, we had an incident in the Staff Carpark, where a parent drove over the pavement to exit the Car Park, endangering lives. Please can we remind you it is a staff carpark and parents and carers are asked **not** to use the car park.

Dates for Your Diary

15th March: Comic Relief - Red Nose day- suggested donation of £1 to wear

red/recycled outfits. Non-uniform

18th March: Parent Open Afternoon – 1.30pm - 3.15pm

19th March: West Yorkshire Sports Hall Athletics finals

22nd March: Reports out to parents

26th March: KS2 Gymnastic competition 26th March: 6CM trip to Standedge tunnel

27th March 30 children to Primary Proms at Halifax Theatre

28th, 29th March and 1st April: Year 4 Coal Mining Museum Visit 28th March: Year 1 Phonics Information Evening

28th March: Years 3,4,5 Multiplication Information Evening

2nd April:
 3rd April:
 4th April:
 6D trip to Standedge tunnel
 6S trip to Standedge tunnel
 Creative Arts Performance 6pm

8th April: Deadline for Milk and Fruit Shop payments

8th April: Reception and Year 6 class photos

9th April: PTA Easter Egg Bingo

12th April: Year 1 Easter assembly 9.15 am

12th April: Break up for Easter 29th April: School reopens.

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.

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