



# Moorlands Primary School

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X @MoorlandsHudds

Thursday, 07 December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have been getting ready for Christmas this week. Last week, our enormous hall Christmas tree arrived and the children have been making wonderful Christmas decorations for it. We think you'll agree that it is amazing.



Now the weather has turned much colder, please can we ask the children to come to school with a named, warm coat and named gloves and hat if possible. Our playground is very exposed and the children are outside for around 40 minutes at lunchtime, which can be a long time if not appropriately dressed.



## Our Amazing Catering Staff



Well done to our wonderful catering team, who were inspected by Kirklees last week. They were once again awarded a gold Catering Standards Certificate which is the highest level possible. The team work very hard everyday to provide delicious meals for hundreds of our pupils.

## Year 1 and Reception - Reindeer Run

On Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, children in Reception and Year 1 took part in a sponsored Reindeer Run to raise money for Kirkwood Hospice. This event had been delayed from 1<sup>st</sup> December due to the icy weather. We would like to say a big thank you for all the sponsorship money we have currently received both in school and via the Just Giving link

[Moorlands Primary School Reindeer Run 2023! - JustGiving](#)

So far, we have raised over £ £328. Can we kindly ask that any outstanding sponsorship money is paid by 15<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you once again for everyone's generosity.





### **The Royal Opera House**

Year 4 have been working in collaboration with the Royal Opera House and, yesterday, were invited to a special performance at Huddersfield Town Hall, with hundreds of other local children. They had a wonderful time performing the songs that they have been learning in school and watching an orchestra play.

### **Shout Outs**

At the weekend, Emily D-B, Zara V and Ella V represented Rhythms School of Dance at the Christmas Hits dance show at the Winter Gardens in Blackpool.

They put on a brilliant show with their friends from their dance school and the other dance schools and got everyone into a festive mood. Well done and thank you for the great show.

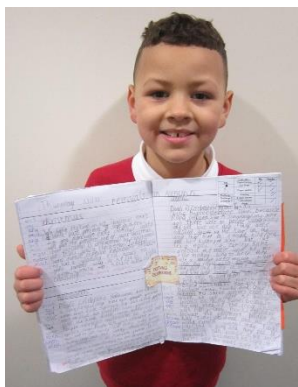


### **Reception Visit to Church**

Linking to this term's topic, festivals and celebrations, Reception went to Mount Methodist Church. Once they arrived at the Church, they talked about what celebrations were coming soon. They learnt how Advent is celebrated in the Church and when each advent candle is lit for the build up to Christmas. They all took part in different Christmas crafts; they decorated a star and hung it on the tree. They then decorated their own Christmas cards. At the end of their visit, they listened to the Nativity Story. They had a such a lovely time and represented our school beautifully.



## Moorlands Star Writer of the Week



This week's Star writer is Jacob in 2J. He has spent lots of time working on a non-chronological report. In it he has written about four festivals we have in the Autumn. He included lots of detail, joining words, lists and a wide range of punctuation. All his capital letters and full stops were in the correct places and he has been working very hard at trying to join his handwriting. He has also continued his learning at home by writing reports about things that interest him, such as the universe and space! Well done, Jacob.

All work chosen for Moorlands Star Writer of the Week will be shared on the school website and can be found under the 'Curriculum' tab on the website's main page. From there, select the 'Writing' tab and then finally the 'Moorlands Star Writer of the Week' tab.

Be sure to keep checking our newsletter and website to see who the next Moorlands Star Writer will be!

## Behaving the Moorlands Way and Learner of the Week Awards.

Each week, every class award two certificates: Behaving the Moorlands Way and Learner of the Week.

These awards are for children who have shown they are wonderful role models and have an amazing attitude to learning - trying their best all the time.

We are delighted to share that the following students are this week's recipients of these awards.

Class	Award winner		Class	Award winner		Class	Award winner	
	Behaving the Moorlands Way	Learner of the week		Behaving the Moorlands Way	Learner of the week		Behaving the Moorlands Way	Learner of the week
DD	Anav G	Sanuth A	2S	Blake W	Thea B	4H	Olivia P	Giovanna W
HH	Jack Mc	Lucas R	2H	Caelan H	Alexander F	5T	Jake W	Frankie D
SS	Madison W	AJ A	3M	Joshua D	Leo K	5KS	Beau M	Aisha A
1P	Lucy B	Ayyub W	3CM	Eesa F	Aiden W	5S	Heidi R	Finn T-H
1K	Toby C	Le'Shante T	3S	Jed C	Faris M	6W	Olivia E	Zara V
1O	Oscar H	Lucas-Jay D	4G	Jacob H	Amadou B	6C	Shola K	Hania S
2J	Layla H	Siena K	4W	Jenson N	Lyla H	6F	Niamh C	Jared H

They were presented with certificates in assembly, which will be on display in school for a week, and have been given a privilege card which entitles them to go for lunch first with a friend on a day of their choice this week and a non-uniform day on Friday of this week.

## Christmas Productions

Due to fire regulations, we have limited tickets to 250 per performance. If you have not got a ticket, please do not come to the performance as we will not be able to let you in and it is not fair to ask staff at the doors.

Please drop children off for the evening performances in **FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM** at the following locations and pick them up afterwards from the same place. Please ensure you bring your tickets.

**Tuesday, 19th** - Years 1 and 2: Drop children at their classroom doors at 5.00pm so that we can get everybody ready. Once you have dropped your child off you need to make your way round to the hall with your ticket.



**Thursday, 21st** - Years 3 and 4: Drop children at their usual entrance doors at 4.30pm so that we can get everybody ready. Once you have dropped your child off you need to make your way to the hall with your ticket.

**Thursday, 21st** - Years 5 and 6: Drop children at their normal entrance doors at 6.10pm. Once you have dropped your child off you can take a seat in the hall if you have a ticket.

**After the performance, parents are asked to line up outside the collection door (please note this will be their usual exit door) and the children will be dismissed one at a time. Children will not be allowed to leave without an adult collecting them.**

Please note that the footpath gate on Moorlands Road and the gate at the back of school will be locked for the evening performances. The School Council will be on the doors collecting money to go towards School Council projects. Please donate if you can.

Please do not use the staff car park for any of the performances. It will be particularly busy around 6pm on Thursday as one performance ends and the children for the next performance arrive. Where possible please walk to avoid congestion.

### **Fruit Shop Payment for Spring Term 2024 – Years 3-6**

If you would like your child to have fruit and healthy snacks from our Fruit Shop during the Spring Term 2024, would you please make a payment of £14.70 via your ParentPay account by Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023. This represents a charge of 30p 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 office to request a Barcode.

### **PTA Raffle Prize Donations**

The PTA are working very hard to raise money to support our children in school. They will be holding a raffle during the school Christmas performances and would like to put a plea out for prizes. If you have any unwanted gifts or prizes you would like to donate, please bring them to the school office. If anyone owns a local business, donations would be much appreciated. Thank you everyone.



### **After School Club Programme – Spring 2024**

Our Spring Term Clubs were opened for bookings on Monday, 27 November 2023. We still have places available for the following:

Multi-Sports (Yr. 1-3), Hockey (Yr. 3-6), Science (Yr. 1-2), Girls Football (Yr. 4-6), Choir (Yr. 1-6), Drama (Yr. 3-6), Hip Hop/Street Dance (Yr. 4-6), Football (Yr. 4-6) and Hip Hop/Street Dance (Yr. 1-3).

### **Dates for Your Diary**

8 <sup>th</sup> December	30 children to the Huddersfield Brass Band concert at the Town Hall.
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 1/2 Christmas performance 2.30pm
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Christmas performance 9.15am
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 1/2 Christmas performance 5.30pm
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 3/4 Christmas Performance 9.15am
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 5/6 Christmas Performance 2.15pm
21 <sup>st</sup> December	School Christmas dinner
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Years 3/4 Christmas Performance 5pm
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Years 5/6 Christmas Performance 6.30pm

22<sup>nd</sup> December

Christmas jumper day.

Remember there are regular updates on X @MoorlandsHudds and on our school website [www.moorlandsprimary.org.uk](http://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.



## **25<sup>th</sup> Salendine Nook Scouts**

Providing friendship, teamwork and traditional outdoor structured activities for all ages.

We meet at Salendine Nook Baptist Church and Scout Hut on Gilead Road, Longwood.

Our Scout Hut offers unique opportunities for activities including fires and rope bridges.

Beavers Age 6-8 - Thurs 6.15pm - 7.15pm

Cubs Age 8-10 - Wed 6.15pm - 7.30pm

Scouts Age 10-14 - Fri 7.45pm - 9.30pm

Explorers Age 14-18 - Fri 7.45pm - 9.30 pm

Adult volunteers always welcome

Contact - [scouts@snbch.org.uk](mailto:scouts@snbch.org.uk)

**CHRISTMAS**  
**AT ST MARK'S CHURCH**  
**LONGWOOD**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

**7pm Carols by Candlelight**  
*to sponsor a candle in memory of a loved one*  
contact Phil [pnturner@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pnturner@hotmail.co.uk)

**Christmas Eve Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

**11am Sunday service with carols**

**4pm Christingle and Nativity**  
for families and children

**Christmas Day Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

**11am Christmas Day Service** with carols





## AT HUDDERSFIELD NEW COLLEGE

NEW HEY ROAD, HUDDERSFIELD, HD3 4GL

**STARTING TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024**

(NEW PLAYERS CAN JOIN AT ANYTIME DURING THE YEAR (PROVIDING PLACES ARE AVAILABLE))



<b>Group 1</b>	<b>5:30pm – 6:30pm</b>	<b>Ages 4 - 6</b>
<b>Group 2</b>	<b>6:30pm – 7:30pm</b>	<b>Ages 7 - 8</b>
<b>Group 3</b>	<b>7:30pm – 8:30pm</b>	<b>Ages 9 +</b>

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that following the success of previous year's courses we are expanding the football coaching programme for the season. The course will run on a weekly basis **EVERY TUESDAY** during school term times.

All of our courses are run by F.A. QUALIFIED COACHES INCLUDING EX-PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS. All of our coaches have been DBS/CRB POLICE CHECKED. The course is open to boys and girls aged between 4 and 13. All abilities are catered for with total beginners introduced through FUN and confidence building practices. The course is tightly structured to ensure all aspects of football skills are developed.

At the end of the term (usually 10-15 weeks) every child will receive an engraved merit trophy and course certificate, with chances to win extra trophies including penalty shoot out, american shoot out and champions league competitions.

The cost of the course is £7 per week, which is payable every four weeks (£28) with the first payment due on week one. Parents are welcome to stay and watch however the club is fully supervised so children may be left in our care. We have the use of excellent facilities with the course held indoors in the large sports hall.

**TO BOOK A PLACE ON TO THE COURSE PLEASE TEXT  
'HUDDERSFIELD' + CHILD'S NAME & AGE + GROUP TO;**

**07846 770 250**

*Steven Nugent (Course Co-ordinator)*





## Are you pregnant or have children under the age of 4?

You could get help to buy:

Plain cow's milk

Fresh, frozen or tinned fruit and vegetables

Fresh, dried, and tinned pulses

Infant formula milk

You can also get free Healthy Start vitamins.

**Contact:** Yorkshire Children's Centre, Brian Jackson House, 2 New North Parade Huddersfield HD1 5JP



**Telephone:** 01484 415465

**Email:** [thrivingkirklees@yccuk.org.uk](mailto:thrivingkirklees@yccuk.org.uk)



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The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people and parents across the country.

We want to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting.

This is your chance to tell key policymakers what is important to you ahead of the general election. Take part now and ensure your needs are reflected in the decisions that will affect you in years to come.

Scan the QR code to take part



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[www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition](http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition)

**THE BIG AMBITION**

**LET'S GET VACCINATED!**

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**WHEN&WHERE?**  
The Chestnut Centre  
(Sheepridge, HD2 1WJ)  
Friday 1st  
December 2023  
1PM - 3PM  
NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED!

Have your jabs in a friendly, local & familiar setting - Community Champions will be there to answer any questions!

\*Restrictions apply - please contact us, if you are unsure if you are eligible for the vaccines!

**COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS**

**MORE INFO**  
01484 516444

**Central Youth Club**

**Winter Holiday Sessions**

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
11.00am to 3.00pm each day  
Open to ages 8+ of all abilities, including SEND  
25 spaces available each day

Our groups are a great way to have fun, socialise and make friends. Come along and find out for yourself!

**Free Lunch provided!!**

The sessions are funded by the Department of Education's Holiday Activities and Food Programme supporting children and young people that are eligible for Benefits Related Free School Meals.

Booking essential via this link...  
<https://forms.office.com/r/ntijPkfuLw>

All activities are inclusive.  
Arts & crafts, multi - sports, pool, table tennis, fun and games

Email: [john\\_field@sky.com](mailto:john_field@sky.com)  
Mobile: 07712 896462 Phone: 01484 435127  
Venue: Prospect Street, Huddersfield, HD1 2NX

Department for Education

**Kirklees**

**Community Advice Fair**

**We're working together to make communities safer**

On: Thursday 30th November 2023  
At: Salvation Army, New Hey Road, Huddersfield, HD3 4BZ  
Time 10am-1pm

Come along and meet your local Police Community Support Officer along with other partners. Lots of information, help and advice available.

The Mayor of Kirklees will be visiting the event.

**Logos and Partners:**  
- Kirklees District Council  
- West Yorkshire Police  
- Temple Well-being  
- communityplus  
- Salendine Nook Family Hub  
- local services 2you  
- healthwatch  
- Kirklees Libraries  
- FOCAL  
- Kirklees Dementia Hub  
- The Branch  
- Safer Kirklees  
- Carers Count  
- pdap  
- NPE  
- The Salvation Army  
- Department for Work & Pensions  
- Kirklees Council  
- West Yorkshire Police  
- 101  
- FOR POLICE NON-EMERGENCIES

Previous attachment

Donations can be dropped at Reinwood Infant school office, Lindley Infant school office or FOCAL centre-Wednesday between 1pm-3pm or call Keeley 07816937331



## CHRISTMAS PRESENT APPEAL

We are looking for donations of new items that we can gift to children aged between 4-16 years.

Items such as toys, hats, scarves, gloves, blankets, gift sets, hot water bottles and books will be gratefully received.

Put a smile on the face of a child, who may not receive a gift this Christmas time.



**Salendine Nook Family Hub**  
Working for the families of the children in our 7 schools

*Thank you!*




**SESSIONS ARE FREE**  
FOOD INCLUDED

**South Kirklees:**  
Northfield Hall, 40 Norfolk Ave, Huddersfield HD2 1GS

Wednesday 20th December  
Thursday 21st December

9am-1pm - Ages 8-12 years  
1:30pm-5:30pm - Ages 13-17 years (VR games included)

**North Kirklees**  
Ravensthorpe Community Centre - 24, Dewsbury WF13 3AR

Wednesday 27th December  
Thursday 28th December

9am-1pm - Ages 8-12 years  
1:30pm-5:30pm - Ages 13-17 years (VR games included)



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Registration is required. Booking is essential.  
Contact our bookings team for more information:  
M: 0330 1332642 E: bookings@endorphins.uk




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### GIRLS FOOTBALL

IS YOUR DAUGHTER IN SCHOOL YEAR 6, 7, OR 8?

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JOIN CURRENT AND FORMER REINWOOD PUPILS IN A SUCCESSFUL ALL GIRLS TEAM

### NEW PLAYER ENQUIRIES

**NEIL [YR 6/7]**  
07849137283

**ANTHONY [YR 8]**  
07428865467

ALL COACHES CRB CHECKED

TRAINING:  
[APR-OCT] WEDNESDAY 6PM HD3 4GR  
[NOV-MAR 2024] THURSDAY 7PM HD2 1YY

GAMES [BY INVITATION]:  
[SEP-APR]: SATURDAY AM







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**Moorlands Primary School**

**School Holiday Dates**

**2024/2025**

**School opens – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024**

**Half Term Close Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

**Reopen Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

**Christmas Holiday**

**School Closes Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

**Reopen Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**Half Term Close Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

**Reopen Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

**Easter Holiday**

**School Closes Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**Reopen Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025**

**School Closed for May Day – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**Half Term Closes Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025**

**Reopen Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025**

**School Closes for Summer Holidays – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025**