



Moorlands Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We've had another fantastic week! Year 1 had an exciting trip to Manchester Airport, with the rest of the group set to go next week. Year 2 have finished their cycle training and tomorrow, we're looking forward to celebrating Red Nose Day—don't forget to join in the fun!

A quick reminder: the final day to book your Easter Egg Bingo tickets is Tuesday, 25th March. Make sure you don't miss out!

Red Nose Day – 21st March 2025 (Tomorrow)




We are having a non-uniform day on Friday, 21st March to raise money for the Red Nose Day charity. Suggested donations are £1 and can be made in cash on the day or via ParentPay by using the link below:


<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=18185>

PTA Family Easter Egg Bingo & Non-Uniform Day

Our wonderful PTA is hosting another fun-filled **Easter Egg Bingo** event! Join us on **Tuesday, 1st April** in the school hall for an evening of excitement, games, and, of course, plenty of Easter eggs!

To accommodate as many families as possible, there will be **two sessions**:




 **Session 1:** 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

 **Session 2:** 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM

 **Entry is FREE, but booking is essential.**

Please reserve your places via **Parent Pay** (see below).

Important Details:

-  Children must be accompanied by an adult throughout the event.
-  Bingo tickets will be available for purchase on the night.
-  Enjoy refreshments, fun activities, and our popular Easter Egg Tombola!



📺 How to Book:

We have space for **300 attendees per session**. To secure your spot, please confirm the total number of attendees (including children) via **Parent Pay before 5 PM on Tuesday, 25th March**. Unfortunately, we won't be able to allocate tickets after this deadline.

🐰 Non-Uniform Day – Thursday, 27th March

To make Easter Egg Bingo a success, we need **Easter egg donations!** We're holding a **non-uniform day** on **Thursday, 27th March**, and kindly ask children to bring in an Easter egg as a donation.

Thank you for supporting the PTA and helping us raise much-needed funds for **Moorlands!** If you require further information please contact the PTA: moorlands.primary.pta@outlook.com We look forward to seeing you there.

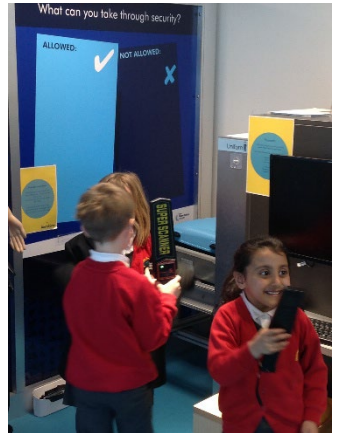
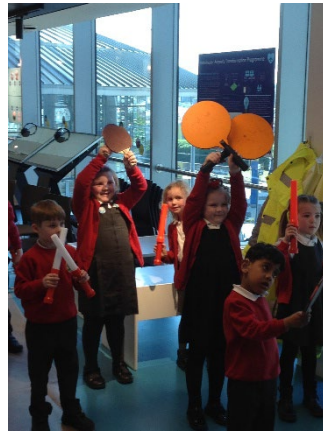
Rock Steady Parent Assembly

A reminder for the parents whose children attend the Rock Steady music lessons, parents/carers invite to watch their performance on Friday 21st March at 9am. Please enter through the hall door and sign in.

1K and 1SO's Trip to Manchester AeroZone

1K and part of 1SO had a great time at Manchester AeroZone this week. We got to learn all about the important jobs they have at the airport and made everyone think about what they might want to do when they grow up. We even got to have a go at the roles in the AeroZone we were able to fly the planes, be air traffic control, check passengers in and work on security! The children were so well behaved and made us all very proud.

Year 1 parents watch out for the QR codes on classroom doors so you can see more images and hear the children talking about what they did on Chatta.



Invitation to Year 5 Eid & Year 1 Easter Assemblies

We are delighted to invite parents and carers to join us for our upcoming assemblies:

- Year 5 Eid Assembly – Wednesday, 27th March
- Year 1 Easter Assembly – Friday, 4th April

Both assemblies will take place at 9:10 am in the school hall. Please enter through the hall door at 8:55 am, after the children have come into school.

In support of the Huddersfield Town Foundation food bin, we are collecting donations for the Welcome Centre. If you are attending an assembly, we kindly ask you to bring along a food donation to contribute.

PTA Summer Fair – Get Involved!

After the fantastic success of last year's event, our PTA is excited to host their second Summer Fair—but they need your help!

Would you like to have a stall, volunteer on the day, or help with Match Funding? Any support would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like to have a stall, please complete the following application form:

<https://forms.office.com/r/utsj9DWTX3>

Get in touch: moorlands.primary.pta@outlook.com

Let's make this year's fair even bigger and better!



Shout Outs



Arlo was awarded Octopus 3 in his swimming. He had to swim really fast and keep his head above water the whole time doing front crawl and using big arms.

Lily came 3rd in her dance competition in modern. Lily had to perfect her handstands and perform in front of an audience.

Imogen and Peyton performed ballet, tap and modern together in their group at the Starlighter Spectacular at Lawrence Batley Theatre. Imogen also performed a duet dancing as Little Bo Peep and also won the Starlighters Role Model award. They were both confident brave and having such a good time on the big stage!

Well done to Paige in 2S who performed on stage at the Lawrence Batley theatre with her stage school. She performed 3 songs/dances and a spoken piece.

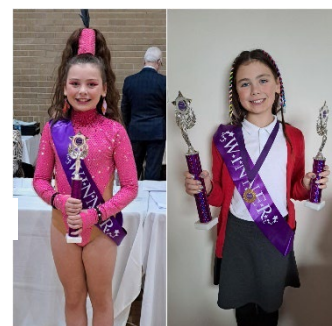


A huge well done to Bonnie and Eabha who performed a wonderful Irish dance at the St Patrick's Day parade in Huddersfield last weekend. Sparkling Stars also enjoyed a live performance in the classroom! Well done girls.

Well done to Louis in 2J who achieved his stage 2 swimming certificate this week and congratulations also to Toby who recently received his Goldfish award for swimming.

Rosie S, Ariana, Clara and Elsie took part in a dance competition at the weekend and came in 2nd place - well done girls!

Lily in 2J received this wonderful trophy for her dance skills at her dance class – fantastic Lily!





Well done to Logan who took part in a rugby festival at the weekend. He played 6 games and scored 20 tries! Wow!

On Sunday Isobel in 5S competed in Sheffield to qualify to dance in Blackpool. She came 1st place in her solo dance, 2nd place in rock and roll and her team also came 1st place. Isobel has qualified and is looking forward dancing in Blackpool in November.



Behaving the Moorlands Way and Learner of the Week Awards

Each week, two special certificates are awarded in every class: Behaving the Moorlands Way and Learner of the Week. These awards are given to students who consistently demonstrate excellent behaviour and a fantastic attitude towards learning, always doing their best. We are thrilled to announce the recipients of this week's awards. As a reward, they will enjoy a non-uniform day on Friday.

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	Margot	Raheem	2S	Paige	Joshua F	4H	Ethan	Hugo
HH	Daya	Bella W	2M	Ella	Holly	5W	Elinor	Kohbi
SS	Bailey	Bonnie	3M	Sam	Isla	5B	Jake	Giovanna
1P	Evie M	Eliza	3CM	Spencer	Eva	5S	Amber	Charlie
1K	Nyla	Zoya	3S	Sienna	Henry	6T	Pari	Seth
1SO	Mia-Rose	Skye	4S	Ayesha	Alfie	6C	Khadija	Alfie
2J	Harry	Elsie	4W	Laila	Esmee	6F	Callum	Darcey

Moorlands Star Writer of the Week

This week's Star Writer is Lylah from Sparkling Stars. The children had a very special challenge of writing a list of things to help make Grandma from Little Red Riding Hood feel better. It was wonderful to see Lylah use her phonics knowledge and creative thinking to write such a thoughtful list. Well done Lylah, we are so proud of your hard work!

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 will be the next Moorlands Star Writer! Work chosen for Moorlands Star Writer of the Week will



be shared on our school website under the 'Curriculum' tab. Be sure to check regularly to celebrate the incredible writing happening across our school!

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Author Visit – Matt Coyne- Friday, 4th April

We are thrilled to welcome **Matt Coyne** to our school for a special author visit! Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 students will have the exciting opportunity to hear him read from his brand-new book.

Book Sale & Signing

Matt Coyne's new book will be available for purchase at **£8 per copy**, and he will be signing books for students who wish to have a personalized copy.

◆ **How to Buy a Signed Book:**

- Children must bring the **exact amount (£8)** in a **sealed, named envelope** by **Thursday, 3rd April**.
- Teachers will collect the envelopes in advance.

We can't wait for this fantastic event! 🎉 Happy reading!

Bringing Knowledge to The Gambia: Our Donations Help Build a Library

We are delighted to share some wonderful news about our ongoing efforts to support education in the Gambia. Over the past months, we have been collecting old books and teacher materials, donating them to the Gambian Schools Trust. Our contributions have now found a home in a brand-new library built at one of the schools!

This new library is now equipped with the books and chairs we donated, creating a welcoming space where students can read, learn, and explore new ideas. Access to books is a crucial step in improving literacy and education, and we are proud to be part of this meaningful initiative.



Summer Term 2025 – Fruit Shop – Years 3-6

If you would like your child to have fruit and healthy snacks from our Fruit Shop during the Summer term 2025, would you please make a payment of £17.40 via your ParentPay account by Monday, 24 March 2025. This represents a charge of 30p for one 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.

Reminder: Scooters & Bikes on School Premises





We love seeing our families scoot and cycle to school—it's a great way to stay active! However, for everyone's safety, **please remember that scooters and bikes must not be ridden on school premises**. We've had some unfortunate collisions in the past, and we want to keep everyone safe. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation! 🚲 🛴 😊

Dates for Your Diary

20 th March	Year 2 Godley Play visitors
21 st March	Red Nose Day
25 th March	1P and 1SO (1/2) Airport trip
25 th March	Science Day!
27 th March	Non-Uniform day for Easter Egg donations
27 th March	Year 5 Eid Assembly for parents/carers - 9.10am
28 th March	Year 5 trip to Jorvik
28 th March	Year 1- Men behaving Dadly event.
1 st April	PTA Easter Egg Bingo 5-6pm and 6.30-7.30pm
1 st April	Dr Bike visit to school (More information to follow)
2 nd April	Yr.5 Bike Assessment Day (More information to follow)
3 rd /4 th April	Yr.5 Bike Ride event (More information to follow)
4 th April	Year 1 Easter Assembly for parents/carers - 9.10 am.
4 th April	Author visit- Matt Coyne, for Reception, Yr.1 and Yr. 2
4 th April	School closes for the Easter holidays.
22 nd April	Return to school
25 th April	Yr.3 Parent assembly 9.10am
29 th April	Yr.2 Tropical World
12 th -15 th May	Yr.6 SATs week.
19 th - 22 nd May	Year 6 Residential to Langdale YHA
23 rd May	Break up for half term
2 nd June	Return to school

Keep up to date with all the latest news, events, and celebrations by following us on Instagram [@MoorlandsHudds](https://www.instagram.com/MoorlandsHudds) and visiting our school website: www.moorlandsprimary.org.uk.

We regularly share:

-  Important school announcements
-  Photos and highlights from school events
-  Student achievements and celebrations
-  Key dates and reminders for parents & carers.

As always, we have an **open-door policy**—if there's anything you'd like to discuss, please don't hesitate to reach out. We value our school community and are always here to support you!



FREE PAEDIATRIC FIRST AID TRAINING

Emergency First Aid and CPR for children and babies*

30th April 2025
9.30am - 11am

Brian Jackson House,
central Huddersfield

What you'll learn

- How to recognise the signs of cardiac arrest
- How and when to perform CPR
- How to use a defibrillator for babies and children
- What to do with a baby or child choking, and how to avoid choking hazards

Free to attend and suitable for parents and carers to build confidence delivering emergency first aid to their children.

Places extremely limited.

Email enquiries@freshfutures.org.uk today to book your place!

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Family Fun Day ...

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Greenhead Park, Huddersfield

11am-3pm

Fun activities and adventures for the whole family to enjoy!

Park Railway

Games and sports

Story trail, treasure hunt, singing and Pyjama Drama

Outdoor crafts, colouring and biscuit decorating

Fire Engine

Cycling skills, minor bike repairs, bike registration by West Yorkshire Police



Kirklees Families Together

What Parents Need to Know about SQUID GAME

AGE RESTRICTION 15+ Suitable for 15 years and over

With themes of horror and violence, it's important for parents and carers to understand the potential risks posed for young audiences by the viral TV show, Squid Game. The nine-episode Netflix-exclusive TV show is rated 15+ and is about a world where contestants who are deeply in debt play children's games in order to win cash prizes. The losers, however, are violently killed. The show's popularity has meant it has spread across online platforms, and there is a great risk of young people being exposed to unsuitable scenes, meaning parents and carers have to be vigilant when allowing children to use devices.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some might argue that Squid Game is not suitable for children. However, the show does feature scenes of violence, including characters being tortured and killed through various means. The show also features sexual content and threats of sexual violence, as well as a strong theme of gambling that runs throughout the entire show.

APPEAL TO YOUNG PEOPLE

Whilst the content is very much adult-themed, some features of the show seem to appeal to young children. The name 'Squid Game' may be interpreted as a programme aimed at children rather than adults. The content itself, such as the bright and childish aesthetics, may also appeal to young children, particularly as there's a focus on playground games to go with it.

SIMILAR CONTENT SUGGESTIONS

When using social media and streaming sites, content is recommended based on what the user has consumed. So, what they have watched or searched for. Therefore, there is a greater chance of your child being exposed to similar content or harmful content on social media after watching a show like Squid Game.

VIRAL SPIN-OFFS

As well as Netflix, Squid Game has been widely shared and parodied on other platforms, like TikTok and YouTube, with clips of the show going viral. On YouTube Kids, a number of successful channels have taken advantage of the Squid Game trend, creating content such as 'How to Beat Squid Game Character' videos. Its popularity has also led to the creation of app games that put the player in the role of a contestant who is killed if they lose a game.

SCENE RE-ENACTMENTS

Squid Game's pervasive presence on social media has encouraged many content creators to re-enact scenes from the show, which has led to reports of children being exposed to these scenes. A display of social media at home and in school, such as this content, means that children are exposed to the show's content. Some content creators attempt to make it post a ghost animatronic get before she shoots them.

Advice for Parents & Carers

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Netflix has recently introduced built-in parental controls that allow you to set up a profile for your child with a specific age rating. Block them from watching certain shows and even limit the amount of time they can watch. Netflix also allows you to restrict your child's viewing history. Make sure they're not watching anything inappropriate for their age.

MONITOR ONLINE ACTIVITY

Squid Game has become a social media obsession and it's possible your child will see some content related to the show on various platforms. Therefore, it's important to be aware of which websites your child has walked on their smartphone, tablet or laptop, and to also keep an eye out for what content they are following on social media platforms, such as Instagram and TikTok.

MONITOR BEHAVIOUR

Due to the viral nature of the show, even if your child has not seen Squid Game, it's important to keep an eye on their behaviour. There have been reports from schools of children 'playing Squid Game' in the playground and acting aggressively towards the losers. It's important to replicate the consequences of losing in the TV show. Viewing content that makes a child feel uncomfortable could also cause them to feel distressed or disturbed, so it's important you can easily spot the signs.

CHECK AGE RATINGS

Age ratings on TV shows and films are a way to guide you to what is suitable for your child. If you are unsure about the content your child is watching, check the age rating to see if the TV show or film is suitable for their age. If not, it's better to watch the show yourself or talking to other parents who have seen it before to get a better understanding of why it's been rated a certain way.

HAVE OPEN CONVERSATIONS

Making sure your child is comfortable talking to you about what they see online can go a long way to ensuring you are kept in the loop about their online use. Showing an interest in what your child is doing online gives you the opportunity to discuss what is and is not appropriate for their age group, and how they might recognise their own feelings towards content they see.

WATCH THE SHOW

If you're trying to figure out whether you should let your child watch Squid Game, it might be a good idea to watch the show yourself first. Doing so will allow you to get a better understanding of the show's content and themes, so you can decide if this is something you'd feel comfortable with your child being exposed to.

Meet Our Expert

Clary Page is an experienced and highly respected freelance technology journalist, author and consultant. Previously the editor of TechRadar, she has worked for various media outlets for Computer Shopper and IT Pro and written for a number of specialist publishing titles, including The Mirror, TechRadar and WIRED.



SEND parent support group

Are you a parent of a child/children with SEND needs? Would you like to share the challenges, frustrations and joys of that with others?

It's a great chance to Chat about the high's and lows-share your stories and hear from others

Have a laugh-swap tales and share our wins together

Meet others-connect with people who get it!

New monthly group starting Monday 24th March

6pm-8pm Salvation Army, New Hey Road, Huddersfield, HD3 4BU

We will be joined by Richard from Local Offer and Lorraine from PCAN.

Join us for a casual get together, refreshments provided. While we connect and share experiences children can enjoy some activities.

Future dates will be: 28th April, 19th May, 23rd June, 28th July, 18th August

For more information contact: Keeley Loney - Community Hub Coordinator 07816937331/keeley.loney@kirklees.gov.uk





HUDDS LH MINIS RUGBY RECRUITMENT!

Kids from Reception to Year 6.

Want to learn new skills, make new friends & have fun in a safe, family friendly atmosphere?

Come and give rugby a TRY at Laund Hill!

£40 annual membership includes club hoodie, shorts and socks!

No previous experience necessary!

All coaches are fully qualified and DBS checked

CONTACT | Andy 07709347853 | DoR@HLHRUFC.co.uk



HUDDS LH GIRLS RUGBY RECRUITMENT!

Girls aged 4-14!

Want to learn new skills, make new friends & have fun in a family friendly atmosphere?

Come and give rugby a TRY at Laund Hill!

No previous experience necessary!

All coaches are fully qualified and DBS checked

We have teams for girls aged 4-14

CONTACT | Andy 07709347853 | DoR@HLHRUFC.co.uk

Live in Kirklees? Child under 2? In receipt of benefits?

If so, you could be entitled to get the following supplied and fitted:

- ✓ Safety Gates
- ✓ Fireguard
- ✓ Bath Mat
- ✓ Cupboard Locks
- ✓ Corner Cushions
- ✓ Blind Cord Winders



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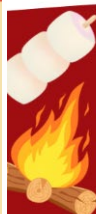


Easter Camps



WEEK 1

Multi-sports & Bushcraft
Monday 7th April - Friday 11th April
Armitage Bridge Cricket Club, Dean Brook Rd,
Armitage Bridge, Huddersfield
HD1 7PB



Multi-sports and Bushcraft including foot ball, dodgeball, archery, shelter building and many more!
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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Reception
Year 7

WEEK 2

Multi-sports & Nerf
Monday 11th April - Thursday 17th April
Neiley Pavilion, Honley Multi-Sports & Nerf Camp
Neiley Pavilion, New Mill Road, Honley
HD9 6QE



Multi-sports including football, dodgeball, archery, nerf and many more!
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM



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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

ROBLOX

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Roblox is one of the most popular video games among children. In 2020, the game's developers claimed that more than half of the USA's children had played it. As a 'sandbox' title, the game lets players create their own gaming experiences with Roblox Studio to build custom levels, which can then be shared online.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ONLINE PLAY RISKS

Because Roblox connects random players across the world, it can put younger players into an environment with anonymous users who could use the platform for nefarious reasons. For example, some role-play games are used for online dates and mature role play, which could expose youngsters to inappropriate messages in the public chat box.

ANONYMOUS PLAYERS

The anonymity of users can leave players vulnerable to bullying, harassment, and predatory behaviour. Without the right parental controls or monitoring, users can connect with each other via personal messages or friend requests, and it is very difficult to know who's behind a username in this vast online world.

MATURE CONTENT

Content is difficult to moderate throughout Roblox, due to the number of games available. This is particularly notable on smaller games and experiences, but in summary, some of the games and experiences offered on the platform contain age-inappropriate content that could easily be seen by young players.

RISK OF ADDICTION

Roblox games can feature rewarding or satisfying mechanics that keep players coming back – or persuade them to stay logged-in for much longer. Like most games, they focus on interactivity, with constant rewards via in-game unlocks and currencies, which can sometimes lead to an addictive need to remain online for long periods of time.

IN-GAME SPENDING

The majority of games within Roblox have extensive monetisation options, usually through season passes or microtransactions. Purchases can range in value from a few pennies up to much larger sums of money. While some games offer a lot of content via purchases, others can offer very little for real world money, causing younger players to end up out of pocket.

SCAMS

Many of the games on Roblox feature collectible items, pets, or characters. These objects, while digital, are worth a lot of real money on certain online markets. Scammers will attempt to trade with younger users in the hopes of getting rare items that can be sold for real money, manipulating the child into handing them over, usually via misleading information.

Advice for Parents & Educators

MONITOR THE CONTENT

While Roblox does implement plenty of moderation tools and parental controls, it's up to parents and guardians to monitor the types of games a child or impressionable player is experiencing. If a youngster wants to play Roblox, be sure to check out which specific games they want to play within it, and get a good idea of their content.

PLAY TOGETHER

Consider playing Roblox with the children in your care. There are few more effective ways to see how monetisation works, gauge whether the game could lead to addictive behaviours, or even witness how interaction between players works, than sitting down and trying the game for yourself. This should help you figure out whether it's suitable for particular children.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TOOLS

Use the parental controls within the game itself and teach youngsters how to report and block other players. Knowing the powers within their reach will make Roblox a safer, happier experience. You can set age ranges for who's allowed to contact you, close public chat boxes, block spending, and even make your Roblox profile completely private. All these options are helpful in cutting off bad actors from engaging with children.

TEACH ONLINE BEHAVIOURS

Have an open conversation about the risks of online play and how to spend money wisely. By being honest and giving tips on how a younger user can protect themselves, you can empower them to not only take care of themselves, but others too. Any user can be reported to Roblox moderators by other players for behaving inappropriately. With this knowledge, younger players can be aware of what to look for and help prevent it.

Meet Our Expert

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