



Moorlands Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we settle into the new school year, it has been wonderful to see our school community already so busy, engaged and full of enthusiasm. This week's newsletter celebrates some fantastic achievements, including our Outstanding Modeshift STARS Accreditation, which recognises the commitment of our children, families and staff to promoting active and sustainable travel.

There are also plenty of exciting opportunities coming up, from our Reception People Who Help Us event and information evening to our OPAL parent play session and a range of educational visits and activities planned throughout the term.

As always, we are proud to celebrate the achievements of our pupils, both in and out of school, and to recognise those who consistently demonstrate our Moorlands values through their learning and behaviour. Thank you for your ongoing partnership and support. Together, we continue to make Moorlands a wonderful place for children to learn, grow and thrive

☀️ Outstanding Modeshift STARS Accreditation Achieved! ☀️

We are delighted to share the fantastic news that **Moorlands Primary School has been awarded the Outstanding Level Modeshift STARS Accreditation** as part of the National School Travel Awards programme.

This prestigious award recognises our commitment to promoting sustainable and active travel, helping to reduce traffic congestion and pollution around our school, and encouraging healthier travel choices for our community.



A huge **thank you** goes to everyone who has contributed to this achievement:

- Our children for enthusiastically taking part in travel-related action projects and activities.
- Families for supporting active travel by walking, scooting, cycling, and choosing sustainable ways to get to school.



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- Staff for championing active travel initiatives and supporting children to develop their cycling skills and confidence.
- Everyone in our school community who has helped make Moorlands a safer, healthier, and greener place.

This award reflects the dedication and teamwork of our whole school community. We are incredibly proud of what we have achieved together and look forward to continuing our journey towards even more sustainable travel choices.

Well done, Moorlands Primary School! 🚶 🚲 🛴 🌍

Together, we are making a positive difference to our environment, our health, and our local community. 🎉

Year 4 Cliffe House Residential

A big thank you to all the Year 4 parents and carers who attended the Cliffe House Residential meeting on Monday evening. It was lovely to see so many of you there.

If you were unable to attend, the presentation is available to view on our website:

<https://www.moorlandsprimary.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=6352&type=pdf>

People Who Help Us - Friday 2nd October 9.15-10.30am

As part of our Autumn A topic in Reception, we are learning about the important roles that people in our community play in helping others. To bring this learning to life, we are planning a 'People Who Help Us' event where children will have the opportunity to explore different occupations by visiting a range of interactive stations.

To make this event a success, we would love your support! We are looking for volunteers who work in caring or community focused professions (such as police officers, nurses, opticians, paramedics, and similar roles) to come in and speak with the children about what they do and how their work helps others.

The event is scheduled for **Friday 2nd October 9.15-10.30am**. If you are available and would be happy to take part, please contact Mrs Watson via email at dd@moorlandsprimary.org.uk

A Big Thank You to Currys

We were thrilled to receive a brand-new mini fridge for the school office last week, where we can safely store children's medication. If you've ever had to leave medicine in school for your child, you'll know the end-of-day scramble to collect it. Thankfully, our new fridge means managing medication will now be much easier for both families and staff. A big thank you to Sunny, Hub Manager at Currys Huddersfield, for this very kind donation. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



After School Clubs

We still have a number of places available on clubs, including; Hama Beads, Bushcraft, Lego, Cheerleading and more. If you would like to book your child on any of these clubs, please do so on Arbor.

Reception Information Evening - Thursday 1st October, 5.00–5.30pm

We will be holding an information evening for Reception parents in your child's Reception classroom. If you are able to attend and haven't already, please complete the attendance form on the initial email to let us know if you can join us. Please arrive at your child's **external classroom door**. Where possible, we kindly ask that children do not attend. We look forward to seeing you!

Help Name Kirklees' New Gritters!

The council is adding some new gritters to its fleet this winter and is inviting local schools to help give them names. Pupils are encouraged to get creative and come up with fun names inspired by winter-themed puns, local landmarks, well-known Kirklees figures, or local sayings.

How to take part:

- Colour or decorate the gritter template. (see the below for the template)
- Create a fun and imaginative name for the gritter.
- Choose your class's favourite entries.

Schools can submit up to **five names per class**, along with any accompanying artwork, to **communication@kirklees.gov.uk**.

The **closing date is Friday 25 September 2026**. A shortlist of the best names will then be selected and put to a public vote.

Good luck, and we look forward to seeing your creative ideas!

A Reminder About Make-up in School

Please can we remind parents and carers that children are not permitted to wear or bring make-up of any kind to school. This includes lip gloss and other cosmetic products. We appreciate your support in helping children adhere to our school rules.

Car Park

Please remember that the school car park is **not to be used for pupil drop-off or collection**.

We have received reports of parents entering the car park and driving too quickly at busy times. There are children in and around the car park during both drop-off and collection times, and the **5mph** speed limit must be observed at all times. We would also like to remind everyone not to stop in the bus lane, even briefly, as this creates additional safety risks and traffic issues. The safety of our children is our highest priority. If these issues continue, we will have no option but to make the car park completely inaccessible to parents. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep our school community safe.

Longwood Sing

On Sunday, the Moorlands Choir took part in the annual Longwood Sing. Joining two other schools and a packed church congregation, they sang their hearts out and represented our school brilliantly. Their enthusiasm, confidence and wonderful



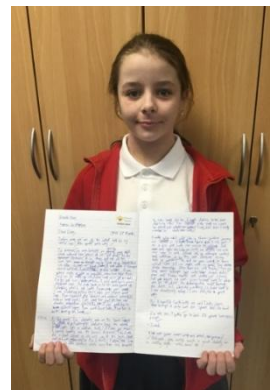
singing made us incredibly proud, and they were a real credit to Moorlands throughout the event. Well done to all involved!

OPAL Donations Appeal

As we begin another exciting school year, we have lots of fantastic plans to further develop our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) provision. These improvements will help us create even more opportunities for imaginative, creative and active play for all of our children. To help bring these plans to life, we are looking for donations of the following items. If you are able to donate any of these, or if you see them being given away locally, we would be extremely grateful for your support.

Items Needed

- Cargo netting
- Large plastic drainage pipes/tubing suitable for crawling through
- Cable reels for the mud kitchen and top field
- Watering cans
- Storage boxes
- Welly brushes
- Pallets
- Large parachutes or shelters
- Fairy doors and door knockers
- Pots and pans for the mud café
- Sensory spinning chairs
- Conkers and acorns
- Tree trunk slices
- Railway sleepers
- Toy animals
- Prams and wheelbarrows



Thank you for helping us enrich our outdoor play environment and create exciting new experiences for our children. Every donation, no matter how big or small, is greatly appreciated.

Moorlands Star Writer of the Week

This week's Star Writer is Bonnie in 6C for her amazing diary writing. Bonnie wrote in character as David, a young evacuee during WW2, from our class text Friend or Foe. She used a range of emotions to portray the thoughts and feelings of the character and also incorporated colloquial language to ensure her writing matched the informal style of a diary. 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. Be sure to keep checking our newsletter and website to see who will be the next Moorlands Star Writer!

Shout Outs



Lily in 4H took part in her dance schools annual show at the LBT last weekend and was awarded the 'Peter York award', which is awarded to one pupil per year who "shows great promise, works hard in lessons and has an early passion for dance.

Owen in Year 5 has completed all his levels of his swimming certificates over summer. A huge well done to Owen!

Kaydan in 2S played football with his team at the weekend and they won their match with a final score of 3-1. After scoring 2 goals he was awarded Man of the Match, well done Kaydan!



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.

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	Noah	Evie	2S	Katie	Reuben	4H	Daisy	Eesa
HH	Arielle	Millie	2M	Evelyn	Zaynab	5W	Eva	Sammy
SS	Oscar	Amelia	3M	Imogen	Harley	5S	Rijal	Florence
1P	Mason	Eden	3HS	Elle	Madison	5F	Olivia	Grace
1S	Maya	Ava	3G	Willow	Noah	6T	Sienna	Alfie
1O	Gracie	Teddy	4CM	Rosie	Finley	6C	Ethan	Bonnie
2J	Freddie	Bella C	4W	Arielle	Raegan	6S	Milo	Anna

School Photographs - Thursday 1st October

A reminder that the photographers will be in the hall from 8:15am to take **family photographs**. Please note that in school siblings will be photographed together during the school day.

Year 6 Transfer to High School – September 2027

Please note that if your child is starting secondary school in September 2027, you must apply online between 1st September and 31st October 2026. Late applications can severely reduce your chances of

getting a school place at any of your preferred schools. Once you have made your application, please notify Moorlands of your first choice.

Kirklees parents/carers apply online via this link [Apply for a secondary school place | Kirklees Council](#)

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 21 September	PTA Meeting at The Dusty Miller, Longwood - 7:30pm
Friday 25 th September	Year 6 to the Royal Armouries
Monday 28 th September	Pupils can apply to be in a Select Committee (more information given to the children soon)
Wednesday 30 th September	Our 2 nd OPAL parent event. An OPAL information assembly for parents, followed by a play session with the children- year 1- 6.
Thursday 1 st October	Tempest School Photos
Friday 2 nd October	Reception- People who help us morning
Monday 5 th October	Flu immunisations
Thursday 8 th October	Active First Aid year 6
Thursday 8 th October	Year 3- Stone Age visitor
Monday 12 th October	Author visit for year 4-6 (more information to follow)
Thursday 15 th October	PTA Disco
12 th -16 th October	Harvest Donations being collected for the Welcome Centre.
Friday 16 th October	Year 2 Harvest assembly for families 9.10am
Thursday and Friday 22/23 rd October	Teacher training day- school closed.
Monday 26 th - Friday 30 th	Half term holiday
Monday 2 nd November	School re-opens for the Autumn B half term
Wednesday 11 th and 18 th November	Parents' Evening

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

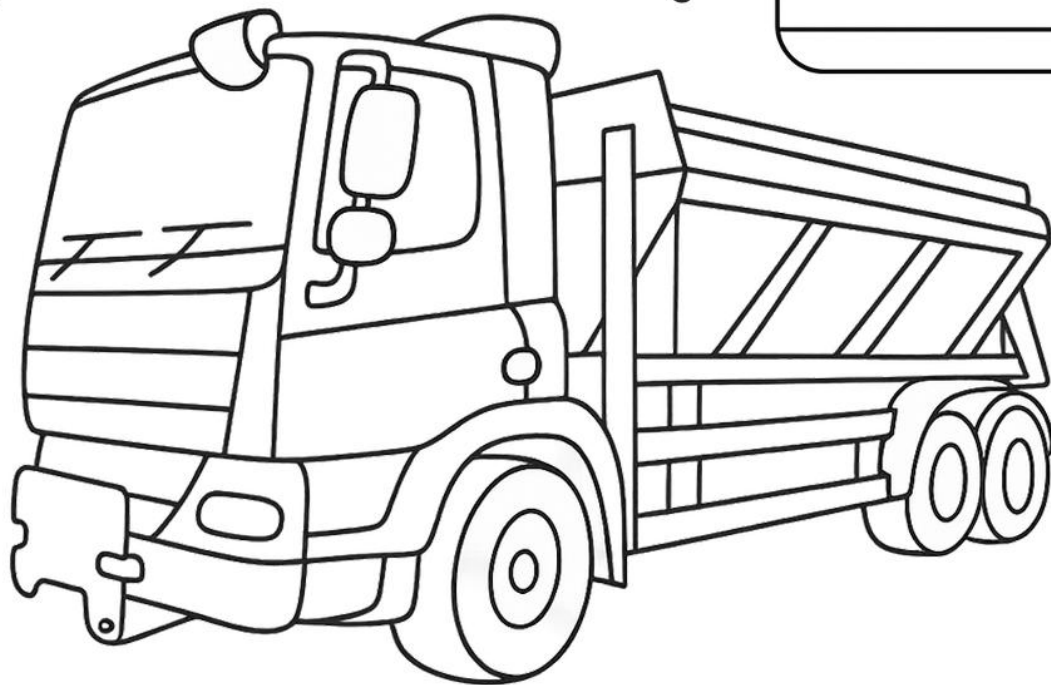
We regularly share:

-  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!

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Animal Antics
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A special storytime in the new Huddersfield Library Hub
Thursday 24th September, 4 - 4.45pm

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TAKING THE LONG WAY HOME
SARAH HOPE

Lola Loves Walkies
JAKE HOPE



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**U9 & U11
NEW GIRLS TEAM**

New U9 & U11 Girls Teams

We're continuing to build our girls offering at Laund Hill by adding new teams at Under 9 & Under 11 for girls who are in school year 4 or year 6.

Training is on Tuesdays, 6pm at Laund Hill on the 3G pitch.

Games will be on a Saturday in the West Riding Girls League from January 2027.

For further info and to register your interest, contact Mark Castle.

**MARK CASTLE
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