

Weekly Newsletter



Friday 11th September 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

Headteacher Awards: Congratulations to Olivia C (Year 1), Annalise (Year 2), AJ (Year 3) and Jayden (Year 4), who have all received Headteacher Awards this week.

House Points: This week's winner is Moorcroft

Godiva		Herbert		Moorcroft		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
15	15	19	19	21	21	14	14

COVID-19: We would like to remind you that children should not be in school if they have these symptoms: a new, continuous cough OR high temperature OR loss of, OR change in, normal sense of taste or smell. If this is the case they should be tested for coronavirus. We can signpost you towards booking a test if you need help with this. If the test is negative they can return to school when they are feeling better but if it is positive they will need to stay off school for at least 10 days from the onset of the symptoms AND until well (including fever-free for 48 hrs). Please keep us informed so we are aware of whether any of our pupils have tested positive.

Face coverings: Following advice from the Local Authority, from Monday we need everyone over the age of 11 to wear a face covering while they are dropping off or collecting children. The number of positive tests is rising across the country and we need to introduce this measure to keep you and your families safe. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Moat House pupils **should not** wear face coverings as they are too young.

Bikes and scooters: Children are allowed to come to school on bikes or scooters but we ask that they don't ride them between the main gate and the playground for safety reasons. Now that people are keeping a larger distance between each other there is even less space than normal outside. Can you please check that the children have a lock to secure them during the school day.

School Meal Reminders:

- Order must be placed by Tuesday for the following week. Can you please make sure your children know which dinner you have chosen for them each day. Meals are cooked according to what you order and we are not able to change them (even if the children would prefer another option). It might be helpful if you and your child make the choices together
- Please place 1 order for each child
- If you have informed us your child is having school meals every day, unless you tell us otherwise you will be billed weekly, in ADVANCE for the meals
- If you do not place your order by Tuesday latest, your child will be given the main menu option each day (dietary dependant)

School Uniform: It has been wonderful to see our children looking very smart in their new school uniforms for the start of this brand new year. Please may I take this opportunity to remind you to label all items of clothing, shoes, bags and packed lunches with children's names. Thank you.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: On Friday 25th September, we will be holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning with a difference! A choice of tasty treats will be baked in school and children are invited to donate 50p in order to receive their treat. Parents are requested to choose their child's treat and make their donation onto SIMs Pay by Friday 18th September, under the Events section. The choice of treats for that morning will be: lemon drizzle cake, Canadian ginger cake and flapjack.

Pause for Thought: I'm not telling you it is going to be easy, I'm telling you it's going to be worth it. – Art Williams. Can you put in that extra effort to gain your achievement or reward?

Please make a note of the following dates for your diary:

Friday 25 th September	-	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Friday 23 rd October	-	half term break
Monday 2 nd November	-	children return to school
Friday 18 th December	-	Christmas break
Monday 4 th January	-	children return to school
Thursday 11 th February	-	half term break
Monday 22 nd February	-	children return to school
Thursday 1 st April	-	Easter break
Monday 19 th April	-	children return to school
Monday 3 rd May	-	Bank Holiday (school closed)
Thursday 27 th May	-	half term break
Monday 7 th June	-	children return to school
Friday 16 th July	-	Last day of term
Monday 19 th - Wednesday 21 st	-	Teacher training days (children are not to attend school)

Yours sincerely,
 Alasdair Black
 Headteacher



Attendance for last week:

Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 90.7%

The class with the best attendance last week was 6JK with 97.4%

