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Moreland Primary School

Reaching higher than I dreamed, becoming the person that I want to be,
doing the best I can for the world and for me.

11th November 2022

Headteacher's News

I hope everyone had an enjoyable half term break. It was lovely, at the end of term, to see all the families celebrating International Evening together and sharing food. Thank you to all the families who brought food in for us to share. It was delicious! I hope you had a chance to look at the children's work reflecting their learning in their Black History topics that was displayed around the hall also. It is so important to remember all the things we have in common as a community and celebrate together and after a break of 2 years due to Covid it was wonderful to have everyone celebrating together again.







We hope everyone had a chance to attend Parent's Evening last week to find out about how your child is getting on in their learning. If you missed your appointment please speak to your child's class teacher to arrange an alternative time. We are currently holding pupil progress meetings with all class teachers. During these meetings we will identify some children who need some extra help and catch up as they may still have some gaps in their learning from the pandemic. If your child is invited to attend Booster sessions or tutoring please do ensure they attend as this will help to maximise their progress this term.

Events

There are lots of events coming up between now and the end of term. Please do keep an eye on the what's on section of the newsletter for dates and times of different events. One event that is happening is our Take One Picture Exhibition. All the children participated in arts projects linked to the National Gallery Take One Picture Project in the Summer Term. We have collated all their work which includes art work, dance and music and will be holding an exhibition in the school hall on 17th November. Please do come along and see the fantastic artistic achievements. We have submitted the project to the National Gallery and some schools will be selected to exhibit their work in the gallery. Fingers Crossed we are chosen!





17/11/2022

TAKE ONE PICTURE

Art Exhibition

CREATED BY
MORELAND PRIMARY

A collection of artworks created by the students at Moreland Primary using inspiration from the impressive painting by Claude-Joseph Vernet 'A Shipwreck on Stormy Seas'.

9 - 10 AM
THE SCHOOL HALL

Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is National Anti-Bullying Week. The theme this year is Reach Out and we will be focusing on awareness around bullying and how to prevent bullying through reaching out and supporting each other. If we challenge it, we can change it. And it starts by reaching out.

We take bullying very seriously at Moreland and we work with all children through PSHE, E- safety and Emotional Literacy Lessons all year round to support children around this topic. We encourage all children and parents to speak out straight away if they have any concerns around bullying. All children know they can speak to any adult in the school and that the Safeguarding team are also always available for children to raise any concerns. There is a wellbeing team of student representatives also who help us to develop our approaches to supporting wellbeing in the school and work with Dom on issues affecting children.

The charity *kidscape* provide support and advice for parents and carers around bullying and information can be found on their website:

<http://www.kidscape.org.uk/advice/parent-advice-line/>

They also have a helpline and Whats App contact.

Parent Advice Line: 07496 682785

WhatsApp: 07496 682785

To kick start Anti Bullying Week we will be marking the day with "Odd Socks Day". Everyone is encouraged to wear odd socks on Monday 14th November. It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!





Online Bullying

We are also planning to run a parent workshop focused on E safety and cyber bullying. This is a growing issue and many children now have access to social media and texting through their mobile phones. We know that children are experiencing bullying online and through social media and that children often feel that they can say something online that they wouldn't say face to face. This can lead to children feeling very upset both at home and at school and has really negative consequences for their sense of well-being.

Discussing online bullying with your child

It's important to have regular conversations with your child about the online world, including issues like cyberbullying. This will help you to understand if they have ever experienced or witnessed online bullying for themselves, and give you an opportunity to support them and reassure them that you are always there to help.

Some questions which you could ask your child are:

How can you be kind online?

What would you do if someone was being unkind online?

What do you think cyberbullying is?

How is it different to physical bullying?

There are some excellent resources to support parents and carers in this area. Have a look on the website below for more information.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/cyberbullying-advice-for-parents-and-carers>

Social Media and Apps

I would like to remind you that, Facebook, Tik Tok and Instagram all are age rated 13 and Whats App is age rated 16. They should not be used by children below this age as they are not mature enough to safely manage conversations through these apps/ sites. I would ask that you check your child's phone regularly, look at the content of conversations and delete these apps if children are using them. This helps protect your child and ensure their safety and emotional well-being.

Children in Need



We will be celebrating Children in Need next Friday 18th November. Children are able to wear their pyjamas to school and if you are able to make a small donation we will be collecting money for Children in Need on that day.

Drop and Collect

REUSE



To support families and provide the opportunity for us all to work as a community and help each other we are launching a "Drop and Collect" station. There are shelves inside the entrance by the Year One classrooms where you can donate clean and good condition items that you no longer need. Anyone can then help themselves to items from the labelled boxes on the shelves. Please do donate the following items by placing them directly into the correct labelled box:

Baby and Children's Clothes, Shoes and Coats

Adults clothes

School Uniform

Books, Toys and Stationery

Toiletries





As well as helping each other in this time where everyone is facing increased cost pressures it is also very good for the planet to reuse items that we no longer need.

I wish everyone a wonderful weekend.

Best Wishes

Catherine Lawrence

Headteacher

	It's an easy, convenient way to receive school messages		To register contact the school office for more details
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PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE!
www.moreland-islington.co.uk
FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WHAT IS HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL OR TO VIEW OTHER NEWSLETTERS.

Disclaimer - Any advertisements that are on this newsletter are independent of the school and therefore we do not accept responsibility for any description, services or goods.

Change of contact numbers / Address

If you have changed your contact numbers or address please let us know as soon as possible so we can update our system.

We have noticed quite a lot of nursery and reception parents have still not registered. Please try today it takes just a few minutes.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Islington Council offers free school meals to all Nursery and primary age pupils in local schools.

For your child to receive free school meals you must register just go to: www.islington.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

You may also be entitled to food vouchers in the holidays - £15 per week per child





Attendance & Punctuality



Dear parents/carers,

Please make sure your child attends school every day and on time. See below the attendance figures we ask parents to aim for, if you have any problems regarding attendance or punctuality please talk to Dom. Remember the school does not authorise any leave in term time all holidays should be taken in the school holidays only.

Holiday dates for 2022-2023 are on our website. Please read the letter attached regarding term time leave.

Thank You

The attendance figures below are Government guidelines that we have to follow



OCTOBER 2022



CLASS	ATTENDANCE	LATES
Rec - Pear	90%	35
Rec - Beech	85%	33
Year 1 - Maple	92%	17
Year 1 - Olive	93%	36
Year 2 - Cherry	93%	7
Year 2 - Pine	90%	36
Year 3 - Ash	93%	29
Year 3 - Palm	93%	7
Year 4 - Fir	95%	26
Year 4 - Birch	95%	25
Year 5 - Rowan	94%	15
Year 5 - Sycamore	92%	4
Year 6 - Cedar	96%	42

BIRTHDAY CAKES
Please note we are a Healthy School and do not allow parents to bring in birthday cakes for the children.

We have a lot of lates this month!
Please try to bring your child on time.
Late children can disrupt the class and upset the children.






TWITTER

Moreland Primary School now has a twitter account. Why not have a look and follow us.
[@morelandprimary](https://twitter.com/morelandprimary)





OCTOBER 2022	POWER OF THE LETTER <i>Congratulations!</i> 	HEADTEACHERS AWARD 	STAR OF THE WEEK 
NURSERY - WILLOW NURSERY - LILAC RECEPTION - BEECH RECEPTION - PEAR YEAR 1- MAPLE YEAR 1 - OLIVE YEAR 2 - PINE YEAR 2- CHERRY YEAR 3- ASH YEAR 3-PALM YEAR 4 - BIRCH YEAR 4 - FIR YEAR 5 - ROWAN YEAR 5 - SYCAMORE YEAR 6	Bella Ahad Asya	Elyn Catherine Nadeen Zainab Qayuum	Jayden, Yusuf, Molly Cece, Bella Baana Haffa, Abdullah, Zayan, Marnie Benny, Abdirahman, Farrukh Anisha, Tianah, Oliver Charlie, Adam, Reema Valentino, Ramzi, Maryam Yahya, Kaiden, Tamjid Carter, Tosin, Badr Na, Amari, Amelia Adam, Nana, Ayah Adrian, Lily, Eva Ali, Lily, Kaitlin

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY



Please feel free to go and visit the chickens, rabbits and guinea pigs in the playground.



We just ask that children are reminded to be quiet and gentle with them and wash their hands if they touch them.

Alfie yr2	Liyana	Sarah yr2
Yazan yr4	Sara yr5	Aivah yr2
Malika yr6	Ibtihaj yr2	Ridwan yr4
Nashad yr2	Adam yr2	Manal yr4
Elsy yr5	Melvin yr4	Malaya yr2
Aydan yr5	Bentley yr2	
Yahya yr3	Laila yr4	
Tamjid yr3	Ibrahim yr1	
Carter yr4	Abdallah yr1	
Kiki	Amari yr1	



Playground Star Award

Joshua, Musab, Alannah, Daisy

Mia, Daisy, Daniel, Deborah

We will be holding a Take One Picture Exhibition to showcase the summer terms creations on Thursday 17th November.

It will be held at 9 o'clock in the hall and everyone is welcome.

BOOK BAGS

Please make sure your child brings their book bag to school everyday.

They will need it for homework, letters and to take a book home to read.

If you would like to buy a book bag come to the office we sell them for £6.00

Every child should have a book bag from September.





Some lovely things that have been happening in our class recently.....

Nursery Willow	As part of our term topic Food and Festivals we have been learning about different cultures and celebrations. We have had an amazing time celebrating Diwali with a Bollywood workshop. Our children have learnt about India and The Festival of Lights. We are encouraging parents to share pictures about their own culture and celebrations.
Lilac	The children have had a lovely time recently. We had a special visit from the tiger that came to tea; we also made sandwiches for a tea party. As part of the Diwali celebrations we had a Bollywood dance workshop and made rangoli patterns and firework art,
Reception Pear	The children have been busy in Reception making potions and sending messages to the witch, she even came to visit them when her broomstick snapped! They learnt a new poem called 5 Little Pumpkins, made actions to go with it and performed it to their friends. The children learnt all about Diwali by creating their own Rangoli patterns with rice and powder paint and did a Bollywood dance workshop. In maths, we have been substituting numbers up to 5 and explored different ways of making numbers up to 5.
Beech	This term in our maths learning we have been counting up to four. Representing, counting and ordering. We have been busy in the wet weather creating witches potions, sweeping puddles and mixing colours. We have recently started our forest school sessions which we are really enjoying.
Year 1 Maple	In maple class we had a wonderful trip to the London Transport museum learning about transport through the ages. The children were so engaged and we had a great day. In Maths we have been focussing on subtraction within 10 and using the jump back method. In English we created our final piece of writing about Africa and published our work on the wall. The children are very proud of their writing.
Olive	Year 1 Olive class have been busy in our topic lessons learning about the history of Moreland Primary School. The children have been identifying and sketching physical and human features around the school grounds. For English we have been focusing on capital letters and time connectives and learning to use them in our writing. The children have been working hard to understand different ways to subtract in maths.
Year 2 Cherry	The children have been busy researching the internet to gather fascinating facts about the Great fire of London. In Maths we have been learning how to solve simple word problems involving addition with regrouping and subtraction with regrouping. We will be visiting the sites affected by Great fire of London and the Museum of London, where the children will learn more about the Great fire of London and the effects on the city of London. In science we will be looking at different materials and their properties. In Global citizenship we are learning about why some people have more than others. The children have made very useful and constructive contributions during our class discussion.
Pine	We have been learning about the Great Fire of London. The children now know how the fire started, and what happened after. In maths we have been subtracting using a column method and regrouping the ones and tens. In English we have started to learn how to write a diary.
Year 3 Palm	In math we have been learning to do a two-step word problem, children have been using addition concepts and subtraction to solve problems. The children have also been making up their own word problems using given words, numbers and addition and subtraction. In science we have been learning about food and our bodies. Children have learnt about food groups and their functions and how much of each food group makes up a balanced diet.
Ash	The students have begun their work on rivers this term! We have been looking at how we can use adjectives to describe rivers and their landscapes. In maths we have been creating our own two step word problems and asking our friends to solve them! Finally we have started looking at our amazing science topic this month, Animals including Humans!
Year 4 Birch	In Birch class we have been learning about the Windrush. Children learnt how to write a historical recount based on the novel we have been reading. We also learnt about migration post and pre WWII and how people from the Caribbean travelled to Britain. In maths we have covered units on factors, multiples, rounding and estimation. Children have been using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to solve a range of number and word problems.
Fir	This term we have begun our Migration Topic. In English, we have been learning how to use fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrase to describe a setting. In history and geography we are learning about the push and pull factors which influence the migration of people from one place to another. In maths, we have been learning how to multiply one-digit numbers by two and three-digit numbers. It has been a good start to the second Autumn Term!
Year 5 Rowan	In Year 5, we have started our Roman Topic. We learned who they were, where they came from and why they invaded Britain. In Maths, we have started to look at Fractions. We have been on a trip to the London Mithraeum, which will help us with creating our settings for our story.
Sycamore	We have started our new topic 'Roman London'. In history and geography we have just begun looking at the Roman Empire and why they invaded Britannia. We are reading the Time Travel Diaries by Caroline Lawrence for our class text which is set in the London Mithraeum, which is why we were so excited to be able to visit the London Mithraeum on our school trip last week. When we returned to class we used our notes from the school trip to write a setting description of the Mithraeum. In maths we are learning about fractions and how to add and subtract unlike fractions.
Year 6 Cedar	In Year 6, we have been getting started on our new book, A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens. We have been learning all about Ebenezer Scrooge and describing him, as well as acting out and creating freeze frames of some key parts of the story. We have written setting and character descriptions and will be moving on to suspense writing soon. We will also be visiting the Charles Dickens museum to see the house where he actually lived!

Monthly E-Safety Tip for Parents

Set the homepage in your family computer or tablet to an appropriate website like Cbeebies.



LOST PROPERTY

The lost property box is filling up again.

Please have a look in the box if your child has lost anything.










Head of School Notice Board – Important Dates



PLEASE TAKE A
LOOK AT OUR
WEBSITE

Remember to check this board as we may add or cancel certain events.

You can also check our website for up to date information

NOVEMBER		
Monday 14th	Anti-Bullying Week Odd socks day - Everyone wear odd socks	
Wednesday 16th	Photographer coming to take childrens photos	
Thursday 17th	Take one picture exhibition 9am in the hall everyone welcome!	
Friday 18th	Children in Need Day - Wear pyjamas for the day! If you can make a small donation to the charity	
Monday 21st	Year 5 residential trips	
DECEMBER		
Friday 2nd	 Christmas fair- more information to follow If you have any unwanted presents, christmas decorations or items we can use please bring to the office.	
Thursday 8th	 Nativity play Year 2 and Year 3 times to be confirmed	
Thursday 15th	 Christmas lunch for children and staff - wear your xmas jumper today! Class Christmas parties PM - See the teacher about food to bring for the party.	
Friday 16th	 Last day of term school finishes at 2pm on Friday, no playcentre ALL children must be collected from school	
Monday 19th December - Monday 2nd January		Christmas Holidays
JANUARY 2023		HAPPY NEW YEAR
Tuesday 3rd	Inset day school will be closed to children	
Wednesday 4th	Inset day school will be closed to children	
Thursday 5th	Children return to school	
Sunday 15th	Deadline to apply for Reception class for September 2023	

Please make sure your child is wearing full school uniform every day.
Teachers will be handing out letters to all children that are not.

You can order school uniform on parent mail and pay by card.
If you are having problems registering on Parent Mail please see Danielle.
We do not take cash in the office everything is done through Parent Mail.

Unfortunately we have had to increase the prices of school uniform as the company we order form - Brigade has increased their prices.





Applying for Reception Class - Information for Nursery parents

If your child was born between 1st September 2018 - 31st August 2019

Please go to the following website as soon as possible for more details:

www.islington.gov.uk/admissions

Dates and deadlines:

You can apply from 1 September 2022, but you must apply by the deadline, 15 January 2023. We recommend you apply by 12th January 2023, just in case there are any problems with getting online or logging into the site.

15 January 2023: this is the deadline to submit your application

17 April 2023: you'll get an offer by email after 5pm.

02 May 2023: this is your deadline to accept (or turn down) your school place

If you need help completing the application you can Phone Islington Council on: 020 7527 5515 or call the school office.

Secondary schools - Information for Year 6 parents

Website: www.islington.gov.uk/admissions

Dates and deadlines

1st March 2023: you will receive an offer by email in the evening

15th March 2023: this is your deadline to accept (or turn down) your school place

If you need any other information you can phone Islington Council on: 020 7527 5515 or call the school office.



11/11/22

Letter to all Parents about Term Time Leave

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Family Holidays and Special Leave in Term Time

I am writing to remind you of Moreland Primary School's policy about holidays during term time.

The law requires parents to ensure their child's regular attendance at school and normally we would not expect you to take your child out of school for a holiday. There is no automatic right to a holiday in term time.

When considering the timing of your family holiday, please remember the following:

- A two week term time holiday will mean that your child misses out on 10 literacy lessons and 10 numeracy lessons.
- Research shows that children often do not catch up from work missed – this could have serious consequences for their learning and progress.
- Your child's term time holiday could affect other pupils - the time teachers have to help all the children in a class is reduced if they spend time helping your child catch up after a holiday.
- There are 175 non-school days in each year for holidays, cultural experiences and family time.

If after these considerations you feel it is absolutely unavoidable to take your child on a holiday or special leave of absence in term time, you must make an application in advance. Forms are available from the school office and we request that you apply 4 weeks in advance of any proposed holiday or special leave.

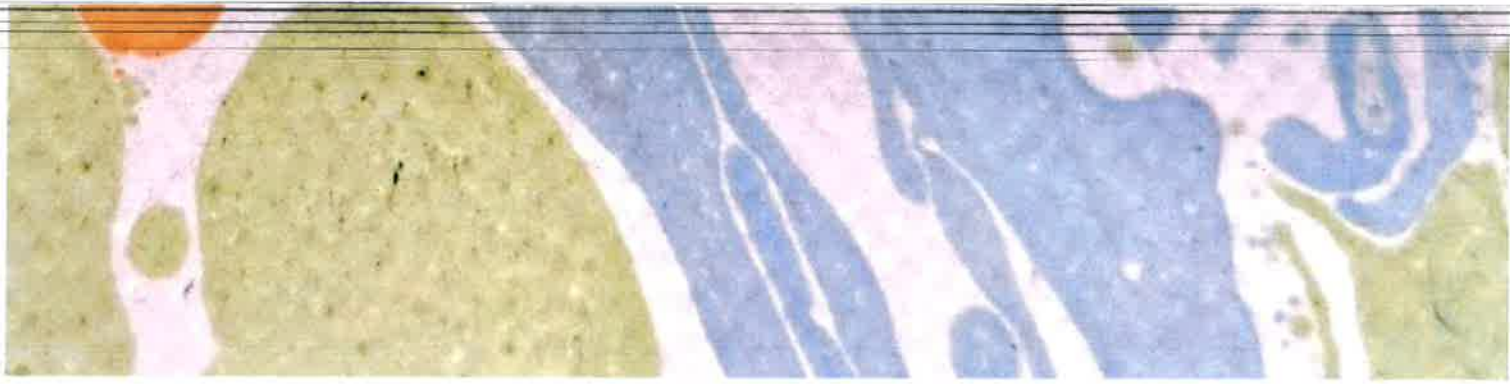
The local education authority and the national government strongly discourage schools from allowing term time holidays. While you can be assured that each request will be considered on its individual merits, our practice is to only authorise holidays and leave in exceptional circumstances.

If we do agree to a holiday or leave in term time, it is very important that your child comes back to school on the date agreed. Failure to return could result in your child being deleted from the school roll or legal action being taken against you for the absence. Our school has a duty to keep children safe and this includes knowing where they are.

If you withdraw your child for a holiday during term time and we have not agreed to it, this absence will be unauthorised and could result in a penalty notice (a £60-£120 fine) or a summons to court.

Our aim is to ensure our pupils receive the most from their education and I hope we can count on your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,
Catherine Lawrence
Headteacher



You are Invited

Come and be a part of something special as we invite you to celebrate the Moreland Primary Take One Picture Art Exhibition featuring creations from students across the school.



The students at Moreland Primary have created a series of artworks based around the painting 'A Shipwreck on Stormy Seas' by Claude-Joseph Vernet .

17/11/22
9-10 am
Moreland Primary Hall



Punctuality matters!

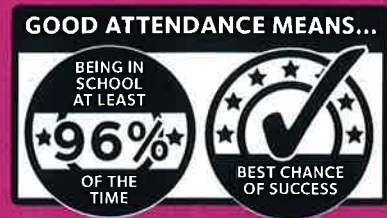
Being frequently late for school adds up to lost learning:

- Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year.
- Arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year.
- Arriving 30 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 19 days a year.



19 days lost a year through being late means 90% attendance.

missed minutes = missed learning = missed opportunities!



REMEMBER...

- A year has 365 days, 52 weeks or 12 months
- A school year has 195 days, 39 weeks or 3 terms
- Five days in each school year are training days for teachers
- Therefore, all pupils are expected to attend school for 190 days a year
- A school day is divided into 2 sessions, so pupils should attend 380 sessions a year

...GOOD ATTENDANCE
MATTERS!

