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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.

20th July 2022

Head teacher's News

Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to wish you a wonderful summer. It has been a fantastic year at Moreland and we have much to be proud of. It is the first time in two years that children have been in school for the whole year and everybody at Moreland has worked hard to help children to catch up with learning they missed during the pandemic. Thank you for bringing your children to boosters and supporting us to fill these covid learning gaps. We will continue to run some tutoring and boosters in the New Year for children who we feel would benefit and will let you know more about this in September.

There have been many highlights for me, in this my first year as Headteacher of Moreland. I have particularly enjoyed seeing children develop and express their creativity over the year in their musical performances, art, drama, dance and creative writing. The Year 6 show was a fitting performance to end the year with and we were proud to see how hard all the children and adults worked to put on a top rate show. I was particularly impressed with the quality of singing this year, something which reflects the hard work of our music team at Moreland. Some children from Years 3 and 4 took part in the Islington Dance Festival at Arts and Media School Islington last week showcasing the dance they had choreographed. Thank you to Lauren who supported the children with this project.

We are working towards achieving the Arts Mark Award next year and as part of our Take One Picture project in the summer term children have participated in numerous activities and workshops linked to the focus picture - "A Shipwreck in Stormy Seas". We will be holding an exhibition in September so that you can see all of the children's work for the project which includes art, music and dance. We will then be submitting the work to the National Gallery in the hope that it will be chosen for the exhibition at the gallery. I can really see creativity at Moreland is going from strength to strength. Have a look on the website and Twitter @morelandprimary to see some examples of what the children have been doing.

We all wish the best of luck to our wonderful Year 6 children as they continue onto the next stage in their life. We know that they will work hard at Secondary school to be the best they can be and utilise everything that they have learnt during their time at Moreland. Make sure you keep aiming high and come back and visit!

As the year draws to a close, I would like to thank all the people that help to make Moreland a safe and happy place for children to learn and grow. Children get to learn in a fantastic environment and experience a rich and creative curriculum. All of these amazing opportunities would not be possible without the hard work and dedication of our fantastic staff team at Moreland. I would like to thank every one of them for the commitment they show to ensuring the children receive the best education possible and making sure the school runs smoothly. I would also like to say good bye and thank you to those staff that are leaving us this term - Sue Roberts, Megan, Haifa, Fran, Jackie and Anjeza. We appreciate everything that you have done for the children in your time at Moreland.

We are lucky to have the support of a very proactive and supportive governing body. There is a lot of work involved in being a school governor and all our governor's volunteer their time to do this important role. We will be working next year on finding ways for parents and staff to get to know our governors better so please look out for these opportunities.

At Moreland we are supported by many community and business partners who help to provide a wide range of opportunities and experiences for our children. We are particularly grateful to Slaughter and May, Sister Pictures and Hogan Lovell's for their ongoing commitment to the school.





The summer holidays can seem like a long time to keep children entertained but there are many free and low cost activities taking place in Islington for children and families over the summer. Please do look at the Islington website below for ideas of how to keep your children busy!

<https://www.islington.gov.uk/children-and-families/things-to-do/heatwave-summer-activities>

Whilst I know that the summer is a time to relax and rejuvenate, please do make sure that your child reads every day. Often children go back in their reading progress over the summer break but the holidays can be a great time to encourage them to try new books, join the library and actually improve their reading. I always try and read lots during the holidays and I will be asking the children to tell me about what they have enjoyed reading too. Try joining in with the Summer Reading Challenge at your local library as an incentive.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



Please remember that if you are eligible for free school meals then you will receive a one off payment of £85 through Edenred at the beginning of the summer holiday. If you are struggling with the cost of living increases there are organisations in Islington including food banks to help. Have a look at the website below for locations of these.

<https://directory.islington.gov.uk/kb5/islington/directory/service?page?id=verXL0-lbWs>

There are also a number of shops and restaurant chains offering free or cheap meal deals for kids over the summer holidays.

<https://moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free>

Finally, I would like to wish everyone in our school community a safe, enjoyable and (hopefully sunny) summer holiday. We will see the children back on Monday 5th September for the new school year. (Nursery and Reception children will have been given separate start dates so please check these.)

Have a lovely holiday and see you in September!

Have a wonderful weekend

Best Wishes

Catherine Lawrence
Headteacher





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.

Thank You




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

Well done to all the children that received attendance badges!



Please be aware that all bikes and scooters left in the playground are at your own risk we do not take responsibility for any that are lost or stolen. We would advise you to put your child's name on them and buy a small lock for security. We also ask if you could check you have the right scooter as they are all very similar and can get mixed up quite easily. Thank you

JUNE 2022

CLASS	ATTENDANCE	LATES
Rec - Pear	91%	8
Rec - Beech	90%	18
Year 1-Maple	91%	14
Year 1-Olive	94%	19
Year 2-Cherry	96%	10
Year 2- Pine	93%	17
Year 3 - Ash	96%	11
Year 3 - Palm	94%	18
Year 4 - Fir	92%	11
Year 4 - Birch	94%	7
Year 5 - Rowan	97% 	4
Year 6 - Cedar	97% 	2 



Have a safe and happy holiday!







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

JULY	
Friday 22nd	Year 6 leavers assembly 9.30am Year 6 parents welcome Last day of summer term finish at 2pm - <u>children to be collected.</u>
SEPTEMBER	
Thursday 1st	School is closed for Inset Day
Friday 2nd	School is closed for Inset Day
Monday 5th	Children return to school Nursery / Reception children return on the dates they were given



It's an easy, convenient way
to receive school messages



To register
contact the
school office for
more details

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 £4.50

Every child should have a book bag in September.

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.

LOST PROPERTY

The lost property box will be in the playground outside the play centre.

If your child has lost any uniform please go through the box as at the end of the summer term we will dispose of anything that is left.

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



FREE SWIMMING LESSONS IN ISLINGTON

Throughout the school holidays and in partnership with Islington Council, we are proud to be able to offer a variety of FREE swimming lessons for children and families. Lessons will include:

- Adult and child lessons - 5 week course for under 3's
- Swim Lessons for 4 -13 year olds - intensive lessons Monday - Friday for 1 or 2 weeks
- Teen swimming lessons 13 -16 year olds - intensive lessons Monday - Friday for 1 or 2 weeks
- Family swim lessons - 5 week course for up to 2 adults and 2 children to learn to swim together and enjoy the pool together

See timetable overleaf.

To book please scan QR code or visit website at better.org.uk/free-swimming-lessons

You can email for more information at summer.lessons@gll.org



Scan to book

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FREE SWIMMING LESSONS

We have a variety of different options for you to choose from - including the rare chance to learn to swim together, as a family. Swimming is an important life skill that will enable you to safely enjoy the water for a lifetime so why not take the opportunity to learn, this year, for free.

May Half Term

4-16 year olds

Archway Leisure Centre	8.30am - 10.30am	Highbury Leisure Centre	9.00am - 11.00am
Cally Pool and Gym	9.00am - 11.30am	Ironmonger Row Baths	10.00am - 12.00pm

Summer Holidays

4-13 year olds

Archway Leisure Centre	8.30am - 10.30am	Highbury Leisure Centre	9.00am - 11.00am
Cally Pool and Gym	9.00am - 11.30am	Ironmonger Row Baths	1.00pm - 3.00pm

Free Swim Lessons 13-16 year olds

Cally Pool and Gym	11.30am - 12.15pm	Ironmonger Row	12.15pm - 1.00pm
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Free Swim Lessons 16-21 year olds

Cally Pool and Gym	11.30am - 12.15pm	Ironmonger Row	12.15pm - 1.00pm
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Adult and Baby Lessons

Highbury Leisure Centre	Wednesday and Friday	11.00am - 12.00pm
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Family Swim Lessons

Cally Pool and Gym	Tuesday 12.15pm - 12.45pm - 5 week course
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October Half Term

4-16 year olds

Archway Leisure Centre	8.30am - 10.30am	Highbury Leisure Centre	9.00am - 11.00am
Cally Pool and Gym	9.00am - 11.30am	Ironmonger Row Baths	1.00pm - 3.00pm

Spaces are limited so make sure you book yours today.

Terms and conditions and Swim Safely rules apply. Speak to a member of staff for details. Offer available at participating Better leisure centres in Islington only. Maximum of five weeks available. Spaces subject to availability. Better is a registered trademark and trading name of GLL (Greenwich Leisure Limited), a charitable social enterprise and registered society under the Co-operative & Community Benefit & Societies Act 2014 registration no. 27793R. Registered office: Middlegate House, The Royal Arsenal, London, SE18 6SX. Inland Revenue Charity no: XR43398

One amazing summer

Hundreds of things to do



Hundreds of free fun and educational activities for under 13s.

www.islington.gov.uk/heatwave

heatwave 2022



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For under-5s

Bright Start is offering some fabulous activities in children's centres and community venues across Islington.



Libraries

Loads of fun sessions and activities as well as our Summer Reading Challenge 2022. This year, you can join the 'Gadgeteers' to discover the amazing science and innovation behind the world around you.



Adventure Playgrounds

Fun, safe and exciting outdoor play activities. No need to book, but children need to register.



Holiday Activities and Food

Free activities along with a free, healthy and nutritious meal for families with children aged 5-16 eligible for benefits-related free school meals. Some other children also qualify. Visit www.islington.gov.uk/HAF for details.

For activities aimed at young people aged 13+ check out Summerversity, and for young people aged 16+ see our Launchpad courses at www.summerversity.co.uk