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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.

## 25th February 2022

### Head teacher's News

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope everyone had an enjoyable half term despite the terrible weather! We were advised by the council to close the Children's Centre on the Friday due to the high winds and red level warning. Luckily we only sustained some very minimal damage to sheds in the playground which Peter repaired very quickly.

At Moreland we want all children to be able to excel in whatever their interests and talents may be. We work very hard to ensure that all children are challenged in their learning and that every child reaches their potential. We recently achieved the NACE (National Association for Able Children in Education) Challenge Award. Here is an extract from the report:

"Moreland Primary School has worked successfully to attain the NACE Challenge Award. It has shown itself to be committed to developing an environment in which all learners are both challenged and supported to be the best they can be. School leaders have created an ethos of high expectations and are passionate about seeking out and celebrating all children's achievements and strengths including those of the more able and talented. The school delivers a rich, broad, progressive and balanced curriculum with a good emphasis on developing the 'whole' child. The school enjoys excellent resources including a specialist teacher for music ensuring that the quality of provision across the curriculum is effective, enjoyable and challenging. Every opportunity is taken to celebrate and share excellent work and talent. Teachers provide clear explanations and routinely ask questions that promote thinking and extend understanding."

If your child has a special talent or interest, for example, playing an instrument or participating in a sport please let the teacher know about it as it helps to plan opportunities for them to develop this further in school. We run some clubs that are aimed at developing children's academic skills such as Challenge Club for children who are interested in sitting the 11+ or entrance tests for private schools and Debate It. We are looking into developing a partnership with the City of London Girl's School to support this work.

Next week is World Book Day and we will be having a wonderful fun day that celebrates all that is magical about reading. One of the children said to me the other day "Imagine a school with no books no one would have any imagination." This is so perceptive as children develop ideas, vocabulary, story-telling skills and so much more from reading a wide range of books. I would like to take the opportunity to say how important it is that children are reading at home every day. It is really helpful if parents can try and set up a routine at home in the evening for children that involves 20-30 minutes of reading time. With younger children that can be you reading them a story, maybe at bed time. Can I ask that everyone looks at home to see if children have school books they have finished reading as some of our book corners are looking a bit depleted. Please do think about joining the local library on St John's Street as this gives you access to so many books for free.

We are still running all of our Catch Up Boosters. It is very important your child attends these if invited as they are to help fill the gaps in learning from the lockdowns. Even though this seems like a long time ago now we are still finding gaps that we need to help children with. If you have difficulties attending sessions please talk to your child's teacher or myself, Miss Walker or Miss Kimyani and we will try and help you.

Have a safe and restful weekend.

Best Wishes

Catherine Lawrence

Acting Headteacher





Dear parents/carers,

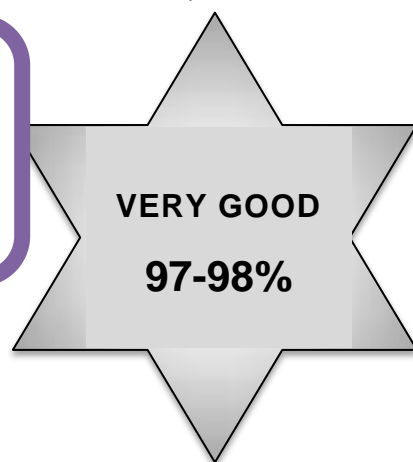
Please make sure your child attends school every day and on time. See below the attendance figures we ask parents to aim for, if you have any problems regarding attendance or punctuality please talk to Dom. Remember the school does not authorise any leave in term time all holidays should be taken in the school holidays only. Holiday dates for 2021-2022 are on our website. Please see the letter attached regarding unauthorised holidays in term time.

Thank You

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



REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR  
ATTENDANCE BADGES  
EVERYDAY!



Please collect your children on time or let us know if you are going to be late. Can you also ring the school office before 3pm if you have arranged for someone else to collect your child/children so that we can get the message to the teacher on time.

#### BIRTHDAY CAKES

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

## JANUARY 2022

CLASS	ATTENDANCE	LATES
Rec - Pear	95%	4
Rec - Beech	93%	13
Year 1 - Maple	94%	9
Year 1 - Olive	93%	9
Year 2 - Cherry	96%	7
Year 2 - Pine	96%	2
Year 3 - Ash	97%	7
Year 3 - Palm	97%	13
Year 4 - Fir	95%	2
Year 4 - Birch	97%	18
Year 5 - Rowan	97%	1
Year 6 - Cedar	97%	2

#### Change of contact numbers / Address

If you have changed your contact numbers or address please let us know as soon as possible




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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WHAT IS HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL OR TO VIEW OTHER NEWSLETTERS.





JANUARY 2022	POWER OF THE LETTER <i>Congratulations!</i> 	HEADTEACHERS AWARD 	STAR OF THE WEEK 
<p>NURSERY - WILLOW</p> <p>NURSERY - LILAC</p> <p>RECEPTION - BEECH</p> <p>RECEPTION - PEAR</p> <p>YEAR 1- MAPLE</p> <p>YEAR 1 - OLIVE</p> <p>YEAR 2 - PINE</p> <p>YEAR 2- CHERRY</p> <p>YEAR 3- ASH</p> <p>YEAR 3-PALM</p> <p>YEAR 4 - BIRCH</p> <p>YEAR 4 - FIR</p> <p>YEAR 5</p> <p>YEAR 6</p>	<p>Muhammed Adam</p> <p>Tianah-Fleur Alannah</p>	<p>Anthony</p> <p>Isaac Zaynab</p> <p>Elhanna, Yazan</p> <p>Melvina</p> <p>Chase, Imane</p>	<p>Henry, Yusuf</p> <p>Mikael, Elizabeth, Rimsha Rian, Kianunte, Ayla Ahlam, Kainat, Layla</p> <p>Riley, Anaj, George, Mariam Jesse, Muhammad, Zakiya, Oliver</p> <p>Daisy-Mae, Ramzi, Teddy Kairo, Samirah, Louie</p> <p>Manal, Beny, Maaher, Miray Teddy, Kaitlyn, Yazan</p> <p>Maya, Jreamer, Melvina Rayyan, Hajir, Mert, Muzamil</p> <p>Su, Maisie, Kaitlyn, Melvina Ercin, Saffiyah, Yousef, Suleyman</p>

## HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Yunus, Aiden, Sara, Ayden, Chelsea, Ayah, Lexi, Maryam,  
Kai, Kaitlyn, Tamjid, Ricky, Jennifer, Charlie, Aivah, Reema, Muzamil, Linus,  
Anthony, Sara, Fardeen, Malika, Teddy, Emily, Mia, Molly, Aya, Malaya, Ismah,  
Aiden



### Monthly E-Safety Tip for Parents

Remind your children not to share personal information online including their school and day to day locations.



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.



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



## TWITTER

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

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.





# 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

MARCH	
Tuesday 1st March 2022	Secondary school offers will be sent out by email
Thursday 3rd	World book day - Dress up as a character from Alice in Wonderland or wear party clothes for the mad hatters tea party.
Tuesday 8th	Parents Evening - please book your slot to meet the class teacher
Friday 18th	Red Nose Day-Dress up as a scientist £1 donation
APRIL	
Monday 4th - Monday 18th	Easter Holidays - school closed
Tuesday 19th	Children return to school Reception class September 2022 offers sent out by email
MAY	
Friday 27th	Inset day - Staff training day school will be closed for children
Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June	Half Term school closed
JUNE	
Monday 6th	Bank Holiday school closed
Tuesday 7th	Children return to school
Monday 20th	Inset Day school closed to children

## Bright Futures- family support 5 to 19

Everybody needs a little help sometimes. If you're feeling worried about your child or would like to make a change in your life, I'm here for you and your family.

My name is Anna Fleming and I'm the Bright Futures link worker for Moreland Primary School. You can contact me on 07815 990369 or Anna.fleming@islington.gov.uk.

I can:

- offer advice and guidance for parenting or family conflict
- help with your child's education and learning
- help yours and your children's health and wellbeing
- support and advise with training, employment and benefits
- help you connect with support in your local community

You can also call the Bright Futures helpline on 020 7527 4343 from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday or email [early.help@islington.gov.uk](mailto:early.help@islington.gov.uk).

I will be working with Moreland Primary School in the New Year. You will hear more from us with information on when to expect me there- I look forward to meeting you!





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

<b>Nursery Willow</b>	In Willow class we are involved in an "All About Me" project. We are exploring how we change with the time with three pictures of ourselves in different times of our lives. We are discussing things that we couldn't do when we were babies or toddlers, comparing pictures, talking about how we used to look. Our children are very engaged with the activity and having lots of fun!
<b>Lilac</b>	In Lilac class we have been comparing ourselves to when we were babies, toddlers and to what we are like now. This is through reading a book called 'Peepo'.
<b>Reception Pear</b>	This term we have been learning the book of Peace at Last. The children made their own story maps of the story so that they could retell it independently. We also had a pirate theme outside. The children loved building a pirate ship in the sandpit. They made shark fins and pretended to be sharks. We made treasure maps and wrote where x marks the spot. In maths we have been looking at ways to add numbers to make 6, 7 and 8.
<b>Beech</b>	Beech class had a fantastic first half of the Spring term. For a science experiment they made lava lamps with water, oil and food colouring. They then added an alka seltzer tablet and were fascinated to watch the lamps bubble! The children learnt all about Chinese New Year and wrote special messages to each other. Beech class enjoyed baking heart shaped biscuits for Valentine's day for their loved ones. Wow, busy busy busy!
<b>Year 1 Maple</b>	At the end of last half term we had a very well attended classroom Museum morning, all the children were so excited to show their parents their learning and teach them all about being a fossil hunter. This half term our topic is Enchanted woodlands we will be focussing on woodland habitats and learning all about woodlands. We will be sharing lots of fairy tale stories and writing fairy tales in English.
<b>Olive</b>	In Olive class we have started our new topic 'Enchanted Woodlands'. We have been reading Little Red Riding Hood, acting it out and creating story maps. In Science we have been looking at woodland habitats. We searched for animal habitats outside on the playground and also had a go at drawing our own woodland habitats. We are really looking forward to our trip to the woods next week to continue our learning! In maths we have continued with our topic 'Numbers to 40'.
<b>Year 2 Cherry</b>	In literacy we have been learning all about fairy tales. We can talk about the features that fairy tales need to have. We have planned and started writing our own story based on our text. The Paper Bag Princes". In Math's we have been learning how to use unit of kilograms and grams to measure mass. In Topic we have been learning about Kings and Queens of Britain and comparing the life of Queen Elizabeth 1, and our current Queen. We visited Charterhouse where they showed us many items and we went on a tour of the Charterhouse. We learned it was a monastery first, then became a school and is now a museum and a home for the elderly.
<b>Pine</b>	This month we have been learning all about kings, queens and castles. In topic we learnt about the defence features of a castle and even visited the Tower of London to see them for ourselves. On our visit we found out what it took to become a knight in the Medieval Times and saw some royal armour up close. In maths we have been exploring mass, weight and volume. In English our key text was The Paper Bag Princess and we explored many other fairy tales too, we then wrote our own fairy tale stories.
<b>Year 3 Palm</b>	We have been looking at money in Maths. Adding and subtracting amounts and moving on to solving word problems. In English we started our new book "Around the World in 80 Days" by Jules Verne. We have used role play, looked at vocabulary and even plotted Mr Fogg's journey.
<b>Ash</b>	This term we are focusing on the world! With our class novel being Around the World in 80 Days, we have been exploring countries, continents and the different segments of the globe. Looking at the equator has given the students a great understanding of the different tropics and hemispheres. In Math we have been looking at money, adding and subtracting amounts. In PSHE we have been discussing how it feels to be part of a group and what identity means too.
<b>Year 4 Birch</b>	In Birch class we have continued our learning on the ancient Egyptians. Children will be writing a mystery story this term based in Egypt. In maths we are doing word problems involving fractions. Children have learnt how to add and subtract fractions and will continue applying this skill to word problems.
<b>Fir</b>	In Fir Class, we started our topic Ancient Egypt. In literacy, we planned and published newspaper reports about the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb in the Valley of the Kings. In maths, we explored fractions and now feel confident converting mixed numbers into improper fractions, adding and subtracting fractions with the same (and with different) denominators and finding fractions of a set. In history, we enjoyed investigating different aspects of the Ancient Egyptian Civilisation. We became archaeologists and had to identify various artefacts using clues, and we compared Ancient Egypt to other civilisations that existed at the same time.
<b>Year 5 Rowan</b>	In Year 5, we finished off our Beowulf stories where we told our own versions. We had got to know the stories well by the end of the term. In Spring 2, we have started to look at Shakespeare's play Macbeth. In addition to this we have started to learn about the UK.
<b>Year 6 Cedar</b>	Year 6 have been learning about global trade and reading the book 'Kick' by Mitch Johnson which focuses on child labour Indonesian sweatshops. We visited the Cutty Sark to learn about the tea trade, explored the UK's imports and exports and looked at the miles travelled by the products that we use. In English lessons, we have written brilliant newspaper reports linked to our class book. They were about two boys who had gone missing from the factory that they worked in. We published our work using the chrome books so that they looked like real newspaper reports.



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To register contact the school office for more details





# Moreland School Uniform

\*BLUE MORELAND SWEATSHIRT

WHITE POLO SHIRT

BLACK OR GREY SCHOOL TROUSERS BOYS AND GIRLS

BLACK OR GREY SCHOOL SKIRT

BLACK SOCKS FOR BOYS

BLACK /GREY TIGHTS OR WHITE SOCKS FOR GIRLS

BLACK SHOES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS



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

NAVY BLUE CHECK DRESSES FOR GIRLS IN THE SUMMER

BLACK OR GREY SCHOOL SHORTS FOR BOYS IN SUMMER

CHILDREN CAN WEAR A PLAIN BLACK, WHITE OR ROYAL BLUE HIJAB AND ARE FREE TO TAKE THEM OFF AT ANY POINT IF THEY WISH TOO

Navy blue wet suit (Nursery and Reception compulsory)

\*Book Bag

## LOST PROPERTY

If your child has lost a bag, sweatshirt or any other items please tell them to look in the lost property box and to see Danielle on Reception. Please write your child's name on all their stuff, it makes it much easier to find!

## P.E.KIT

\*WHITE MORELAND T-SHIRT

\*BLUE SHORTS/BLACK FITTED LEGGINGS

TRAINERS/PUMPS FOR OUTSIDE PE GAMES

BLACK TRACKSUIT BOTTOMS FOR OUTSIDE PE IN THE WINTER

\*CAN BE BOUGHT FROM THE SCHOOL IF WE HAVE THEM IN STOCK.

Parents can also order from the website: [www.brigade.uk.com](http://www.brigade.uk.com)

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.







### **Would you make a great Family for Life Community Champion?**

We're looking for inspirational volunteers to encourage families in Islington to get active and eat well. The Families for Life programme offers free healthy eating and active play activities for families with children aged 2 to 11.

Volunteers should be Islington residents, be committed to improving the health of their community and available to volunteer two to three hours a week.

Community Champions will learn about health and wellbeing. They will have access to free training and ongoing support. It's a great opportunity for them to meet new people, improve their communication skills and boost their confidence.

Online training for the Families for Life Community Champion begins Wednesday 23 February!

Families for Life Community Champions' Induction Training - FREE

Dates: Wednesday 23 February - Wednesday 30 March 2022 (6 weeks)

Time: 9.30 – 12.30am

3 hours

If this sounds like someone you know please contact: Natasha Miller, Community Champion Co-ordinator on 07974604133 or via [natasha.miller@islington.gov.uk](mailto:natasha.miller@islington.gov.uk)

