



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.

21st December 2023

Headteacher's News

Dear Families,

I would like to start by thanking everyone in the school community for getting involved and supporting all the Christmas activities in the last few weeks. There has been so much going on!



The Christmas Fair was a great success thanks to the hard work of the PTA and staff involved. We raised £1300 which is our most successful total ever. We will be putting the money towards the KS1 climbing frame fund. I look forward to us building on this success with more events in the pipeline. Please do come along to the next PTA meeting in the New Year and get involved if you can.



It was a pleasure to see so many families at St Clement's Church for our Community Christmas Concert and donkey parade. Rocky the donkey was definitely the star of the show especially his ice skating on the polished floor of the church! I was very impressed with Mary's riding skills. Thank you Father David for hosting this and making the donkey arrangements.





I think it is important for children to experience and learn about each other's faiths and cultures as through learning about each other and sharing experiences grows understanding and respect. Tolerance, respect, love, peace and understanding are important universal values that we can instil in children. To support this we will be developing opportunities for children to visit different places of worship over the year. This builds on children's learning in RE and their understanding of diversity that is part of the Global Citizenship curriculum.

It has been a very busy autumn term with so many fantastic moments to celebrate and remember. The children have had many exciting enrichment opportunities and I hope they have made some more Moreland memories. Why not ask your child their favourite memory of 2023 and find out what they enjoyed most!

I would ask that you please talk to your children about road safety over the holidays. At this time of the year when it is dark it is very hard for children to be seen. Try and wear bright jackets or use light reflecting accessories. Remind children to always use a safe pedestrian crossing and to not step out between cars. Knowing how to stay safe can save lives.

Here is a link to some road safety information and activities for children and parents/carers.

<https://www.rospa.com/media/documents/road-safety/teaching-road-safety-a-guide-for-parents.pdf>

<https://capt.org.uk/csw-road-safety/>

<https://www.think.gov.uk/education-resources/>



Finally, I would like to wish everyone in our school community - children, families, staff, governors and community partners - a very happy and peaceful Christmas holiday and New Year.

See you on Monday 8th January.

Best wishes

Catherine Lawrence

Headteacher





LOST PROPERTY BOX

If your child has lost anything please check the lost property box in the playground.

Anything that does not have names on will be disposed of over the holidays

Make sure you write your child's name on their stuff to make it easier for the teachers to give back!



TWITTER

Moreland Primary School now has a twitter account. Why not have a look and follow us.

@morelandprimary

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

If you are entitled to a voucher they will be issued tomorrow

Friday 22nd December please check your email

NURSERY PLACES

We only have a few places to offer so we advise any parents that would like a nursery place to complete an application.

We will keep it on file until the child turns three and we have a place.

The application forms can be collected from the main office or the Children centre.

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.

Monthly E-Safety

Remind your child to keep mobile phones out of sight when they are out to avoid theft



Applying for Reception Class - Information for Nursery parents

If your child was born between 1st September 2019 - 31st August 2020

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 2023, but you must apply by the deadline, 15 January 2024.

We recommend you apply by 08th January 2024, just in case there are any problems with getting online or logging into the site.

15 January 2024: this is the deadline to submit your application

16 April 2024: you'll get an offer by email after 5pm.

30 April 2024: 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





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

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| DECEMBER 2023 | |
| Thursday 21st | School finishes at 1.45pm <u>ALL</u> children to be collected from school |
| JANUARY 2024 | |
| Monday 8th | Children return to school |

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www.moreland-islington.co.uk for more information on what is happening in our school or to view other newsletters.


 It's an easy, convenient way to receive school messages
 
 To register contact the school office for more details

*HAVE A SAFE AND
HAPPY CHRISTMAS*

