



NEWSLETTER

WHAT'S
NEW?

Headteacher's
News



Y5 WEATHER
WORKSHOP IN
HYDE PARK



Y3 VISIT TO THE
YOUTUBE STUDIO OF
SORTED FOOD

Welcome to this month's newsletter.

We are heading towards the last half term of the school year. I can't believe how fast this year has gone. This half term has been short but busy with Year 6 completing their SATS and lots of activities and trips taking place. Athena and I were even lucky enough to meet the King and Queen at the Buckingham Palace Garden Party for people working in education.

We are very proud of our Year 6 - of their hard work and the determination they have shown. Well done to the whole Year 6 team who have supported them all year and through last week's tests. Hopefully, they can enjoy all the exciting events and activities that their last few months in Primary School has to offer. These include Kayaking, Forest School, Chessington trip, the Year 6 show and the Prom.



Y2 TRIP TO THE
GOLDEN HINDE

With the lighter evenings children are naturally spending more time playing outside. We know that play is a cornerstone of healthy child development, providing children with the opportunity to develop physically, emotionally, and socially. Play evolves as children grow, from sparking curiosity and problem-solving skills in early years to building resilience and social skills in adolescence. At Moreland we are working towards our Rights Respecting School Award and we are educating children about their rights. Play is a child's right (Article 31 of the UNCRC). It's not just a luxury – it's a necessity for all.



An important element of play is children learning to manage risks and make decisions for themselves. Talk to your child about how to assess risks and support them to manage their play safely. This includes road safety, water safety and dog safety awareness, stranger danger and for older children being aware of adults and older children who may take advantage of them or try to involve them in criminal activity. Know where your children are and arrange for them to be home at a certain time. Maintain good bedtime routines so children are ready to learn at school.



Y4 COUNTRYSIDE DAY
OUT TO KENT

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that if you have any concerns please do come and speak directly to school staff. I am aware that there are a number of parent social media groups, and we are finding that sometimes misinformation is being shared on these. We will always endeavour to update parents and share information as quickly as possible but there have been several incidences lately where information being shared between parents has not been accurate.

For example, I have heard some comments about the school financial situation which are untrue. All schools face pressures of tight budgets as a result of increasing costs and falling pupil numbers in inner London. However, we manage our budget carefully at Moreland and work hard to raise additional funds through our business and community links such as renting our fantastic 4g pitch through Playfootball. This means we are well staffed and resourced and children enjoy a rich curriculum with many additional experiences that other schools do not provide.

I would also ask that you avoid discussing school staff on these groups as this can easily become upsetting for the staff concerned. Again, if you have a concern please speak to your class teacher and if the situation isn't resolved then speak with a senior leader who will help you. Some schools have had to introduce staff moderators into class WhatsApp groups which I very much hope is not necessary at Moreland. I am sure we can all be kind, considerate and respectful to each other and treat others as we would wish to be treated.

We celebrated adult mental health awareness week last week with staff sharing positive shout outs, acts of kindness and a staff social rounders match. In our school community wellbeing of everyone - children , families, staff and volunteers - is important and we want Moreland to be a happy place of learning for all. We are here to support each other. Please always reach out if you need support. Sometimes a listening ear can make all the difference!

We have an action packed summer term ahead with many events planned. Please make sure you check Class Dojo and the newsletter for information. The PTA are working hard planning the Summer Fair so please do get involved if you can. All help is welcomed!

YEAR 6 CELEBRATE THE
END OF SATS IN
CLISSOLD PARK



STAFF ROUNDERS GAME



CATHERINE AND ATHENA AT
THE BUCKINGHAM PALACE
GARDEN PARTY



EVENTS

Coming up in June

Sports Day EYFS - Thursday 5th June

Sports Day KS1 and 2- Monday 16th June (new date)@ Bunhill Artillery Ground

INSET DAY - Friday 13th June

See Class Dojo for more information





Contact us: Tel - 0207 253 8144

Email - admin@moreland.islington.sch.uk Website - www.moreland-islington.co.uk



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 May 2025

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. Please read the letter attached about term time leave.

If your child is sick you can either ring the school and let us know or leave a message on parent mail. If we do not have a reason for an absence Dom or Danielle will call you.

Holiday dates are on our website

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



APRIL

2025

CLASS	ATTENDANCE	LATES
Rec - Pear	84%	17
Rec -Beech	92%	14
Year 1-Maple	91%	16
Year 1-Olive	95%	30
Year 2-Cherry	94%	7
Year 2- Pine	94%	22
Year 3 - Ash	94%	10
Year 3 - Palm	98%	25
Year 4 - Fir	89%	15
Year 4 - Birch	94%	7
Year 5 - Rowan	96%	11
Year 5 - Sycamore	91%	16
Year 6 - Cedar	88%	37
Year 6 - Oak	90%	18



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.





PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

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

We are now on Instagram as well please have a look and follow us!

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

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 paid through Parent Mail.



ParentMail

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 £6.50

FREE TWO YEAR OLD PLACES

If you think you are entitled to a free two-year-old place, please apply now. To check go on the following website www.islington.gov.uk/free2.

You will be given a code that you need to bring to the school or children centre and then complete an application form. We only have a limited amount of free two-year-old places so please check now!

BIRTHDAY CAKES

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

Change of Contact numbers / Address / Email

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



Please feel free to go and visit the chicken 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 do not feed them.



IF YOU HAVE A CHILD THAT IS THREE YEARS OLD OR WILL BE THREE BEFORE 31ST AUGUST, PLEASE PICK UP AN APPLICATION FORM FOR A NURSERY PLACE NOW AS WE ARE LOOKING AT PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER.

YOU CAN PICK UP AN APPLICATION FORM FROM DANIELLE OR LISA.





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

MAY 2025	
Thursday 22nd	Pyjamarama Day - wear your pyjamas
Friday 23rd	Class photos - whole school (No individual photos)
Monday 26 th - 30 th	Half Term holiday
JUNE 2025	
Thursday 5 th	EYFS sports Day 2pm-3pm Children should wear trainers and appropriate sports clothes
Friday 13th	Inset Day school closed
Monday 16th	Year 1 - 6 sports Day at Bunhill Artillery Grounds 10-1pm packed lunch needed unless your child is entitled to a free packed lunch Children should wear their P.E.Kits and trainers
Monday 30 th - 4th July	Year 5 residential trip
JULY 2025	
Thursday 3 rd	Teddy bears picnic for Nursery new children 9.30-9.45
Friday 4th	Teddy bears picnic for New Reception children 9.30-9.45
Wednesday 9th Thursday 10th	Year 6 performance 6-7pm
Friday 11th	Reports out to parents Morelands got talent! Summer Fair 2-4pm
Tuesday 15th	Parents drop in if you would like to have a chat with the class teacher 4pm-5pm
Wednesday 16th	Year 6 prom 6.30-8.30pm
Friday 18th	Year 6 graduation assembly 9 - 10am parents invited Last day of term school finishes at 1.45pm NO PLAYCENTRE
SEPTEMBER 2025	
Wednesday 3rd	Children return to school except Nursery Nursery children will be given their return dates





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

Early Years Willow Lilac	In EVFS, our Summer Theme is called About Town. During this term, children will be exploring their local area as well as parts of London, developing their spatial awareness and observation skills. Children will be exploring and learning how to create their own maps. Moreover, they will be looking closely at buildings, learning all about architecture and shape through our Focus Artist, Paul Klee. In addition, children will be learning about the environment and ways in which we can all work together to look after it. They will engage in gardening and sowing seeds, and learning all about life cycles and ways in which we can care for plants and animals. Through dramatic play, children will learn about different professions and about people in the community who help us such as doctors, firefighters and police officers.
Year 1 Maple / Olive	Year 1 has been Learning about the Seaside in their Geography and History lessons and we are really excited about our upcoming trip to the seaside, where we will learn so much from the hands-on experience. In English we are learning to write instructions and how we need to use Time openers to help the instructions have an order. We had a visitor from an alien who wanted to make a sandwich but he didn't know what to do. The children used their learnt knowledge of instructions and taught the alien how to make his sandwich.
Year 2 Cherry / Pine	We love learning about pirates, especially a famous privateer called Sir Francis Drake. In literacy, we are just beginning to plan a personal narrative—a letter home from on board ship. In maths, we are learning how to measure using different units of measurement. For our topic work, we are going to make an old-fashioned pirate ship, inspired by our trip to the Golden Hinde and our research on famous pirates using the internet.
Year 3 Palm / Ash	In Year 3, we have been writing setting descriptions and character descriptions based on the book 'Stone Age Boy.' In history we have been learning about the Stone Age and about the Skara Brae settlement in Scotland. In PE we have started athletics and tennis, which we are all finding so fun!
Year 4 Fir/ Birch	This term in year 4 we have been reading a range of Greek mythology. Children have been learning how to write their own mythical stories in English, influenced by stories they are reading in whole class reading. In geography we have been looking at the location of Greece in Europe and learning about the names of the seas surrounding the area. In maths children have been doing decimals, learning to divide a 1 and 2 digit number by 10 and 100.
Year 5 Rowan / Sycamore	Last term we visited Hyde Park Education Centre to learn about different ways of reading the weather using a variety of weather tools. In science we have started our unit on Earth and space which includes learning about the planets and phases of the moon. This term we have carried out a series of swimming lessons and we are so proud of the children for the resilience they have shown in these sessions. We look forward to continuing our work on Antarctica and Shackleton too.
Year 6 Cedar / Oak	Year 6 have been working very hard to prepare for their SATs exams which have been on this week. Although, we did manage to get outside and enjoy the lovely weather with a few revision scavenger hunts. Well done to the children for working so hard!

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

Please Register even if you think you are not entitled to any extra help.

The school receives extra funding for all entitled children.

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

Please go online and check today, if you need any help to register come to the reception desk.

The next holiday is 26th - 30th May

PLEASE CHECK THE LOST PROPERTY BOX IF YOUR CHILD HAS LOST ANY OF THEIR STUFF. THE BOX IS OUTSIDE IN THE PLAYGROUND.

REMEMBER TO WRITE YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON EVERYTHING!

We will dispose of any items that are not collected.





**MENTAL
HEALTH
AWARENESS
WEEK**
12 - 18 MAY 2025

10 WAYS TO GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

From book club to art class, Swifties to gamers, volunteer groups to shooting hoops – community is good for our mental health. They help us to belong, feel supported, and have purpose.

Here are ten ways to get involved with your community and boost your mental health.



1. MAKE IT FUN

Choose an activity you enjoy. You could join a club or group centred around your interests.



2. GET OUTDOORS

Get out and moving in nature for more mental health benefits.



3. FIND LIKE-MINDED PEOPLE

Build connections with people who share your interests and values. But try to also meet people who are different from you, too.



4. SHOW KINDNESS TO OTHERS

Connect with your community through small acts of kindness, which will benefit both you and others.





5. SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION

Sharing a compliment or showing appreciation can strengthen your relationships.



6. CONNECT ONLINE

Find others who share similar experiences or interests online. Remember, healthy online communities should make you feel safe and valued.



7. GIVE BACK

Helping others is a great way to build community and give you purpose.



8. CARE FOR YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

Increase your sense of belonging by getting involved in your local community.



9. WELCOME OTHERS

Make new people joining your community feel welcome and included.



10. FIND PEER SUPPORT IF YOU'RE STRUGGLING

Connect with others going through similar experiences through peer support groups.



TOGETHER
FOR **GOOD** MENTAL HEALTH

Learn more about community and mental health.

MENTALHEALTH.ORG.UK/MHAW #THISISMYCOMMUNITY

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 run during Easter, May Half Term, Summer and October Half Term. Sessions include:

- Adult and child swimming lessons: 6-week course for under 3's *Summer holiday only
- Swimming 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 swimming lessons, 6-week course for up to 2 adults and 2 children to learn to swim together and enjoy the pool together *Summer holiday only

To apply 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





DON'T MISS OUT

Register for benefits-related free school meals to unlock other support worth hundreds of pounds.

Turn over for details



ISLINGTON
For a more equal future

Unlock extra benefits worth hundreds of pounds per child

If you receive certain benefits, your child could be eligible for so much more than free school meals! Register before the summer break to unlock:



A £15 supermarket voucher per child, per week – worth £90 per child over the summer break!



Access to the free Holiday Activities with Food programme. Book a place for your child at dozens of activities – there's something for everyone. Every activity includes a free healthy meal.



A £150 school uniform voucher for every child moving up from primary to secondary school.

If you receive benefits and are not yet registered for free school meals, visit [islington.gov.uk/FreeSchoolMeals](https://www.islington.gov.uk/FreeSchoolMeals) as soon as possible for the best chance of unlocking all the extra support before the holidays.

MAY HALF TERM SPORTS



The Access to Sports Project are offering a range of Sports Activities for young people aged 5 - 19.

**TUESDAY 27 -
THURSDAY 29 MAY**

Locations

- ✓ Finsbury Leisure Centre
- ✓ Rosebowl
- ✓ Rosemary Gardens

Activities

- ✓ Multi Sports Camps
- ✓ Tennis, Basketball & Football
- ✓ Coaching & Leadership Courses
- ✓ Events & Competitions



**FREE-OF-
CHARGE**



020 7686 8812

info@accesstosports.org.uk

For more information and Book Online:
www.accesstosports.org.uk/bookings



ISLINGTON



FREE

MULTI SPORTS

5-11 YEAR OLDS

**SATURDAYS
10AM - 12PM**

**ELTHORNE PARK, HAZELVILLE
ROAD, N19 3NF**

**FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, DODGEBALL,
TENNIS AND MORE**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER:
EMAIL**

INFO@ACCESSTOSPORTS.ORG.UK

REGISTER

WWW.ACCESSTOSPORTS.ORG.UK/BOOKINGS

