

MOAT FARM JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WHERE WE PREPARE FOR TOMORROW BY ACHIEVING TODAY

MESSAGE FROM MRS SHAW AND MRS SCOTNEY

Dear parents and carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a good Christmas and managed to spend some treasured time with loved ones. It has been lovely to welcome the children back into school and it's like they've never been away, hitting the ground running with their Spring term curriculum. It is always a pleasure to visit classes, we have seen wonderful work including Year 3 preparing to write instructions on how to wash a woolly mammoth, Year 4 learning about Stourport in preparation for their trip and Year 6 looking at active and passive voice, ready to write a newspaper article.

Attendance and Punctuality

This term we will continue to work tirelessly to improve attendance. Attendance for the Autumn term was very good until the last few weeks, where we understandably took a real hit due to illness. This term we will be running further initiatives to reward pupils with good attendance and the attendance league has started up again so at the end of the term, we will celebrate with a class reward. We will continue to monitor punctuality as well as attendance. The classroom doors open daily at 8:30am and lessons start promptly at 8:45am. Please make sure your child is at school on time so that they do not miss out on learning time.

Design Technology

To start this term, teachers in Years 3 and 4 have had a visit from HEPP Design and Technology. The focus for this term is on textiles and what better way to prepare for the teaching of these amazing units than to get hands on and do the projects first before teaching the children. Hepp DT will be visiting again next week to work with Years 5 and 6 teachers. In the Autumn term the pupils had fantastic outcomes in their construction projects, we are extremely excited to see what super creations are produced in textiles! Trips

It has been an exciting few days packed with trips. Year 4 went on their Geography trip to Stourport-on-Severn, a Georgian canal town. Stourport is a popular inland day-trip and holiday destination that is very different to our local area. Children explored the similarities and differences of Stourport and Oldbury, discussed key aspects of the canal, saw where the canal met the river, investigated the types of shops and impact that living near the water has on house prices. The children really enjoyed the trip and were so well behaved. There were lots of gasps of 'WOW!' as they saw the river.

Young Voices

Wednesday 11th of January marked Moat Farm's return to Young Voices. For the last few months, children in Year 5 and 6 practised singing the Young Voices 2022/23 playlist. They dedicated their time after school in music club to learn lyrics and a whole variety of dance moves ready for the big performance.

On performance day, excitement was high, and the Young Voices Crew headed over to Resorts World for rehearsals. The choirs poured in and rehearsals with David Lawrence went swimmingly. After a short snack break, the show began, and it was mesmerizing. With 6614 children in the choir, the sound was immense. The acts that performed with us through the night were truly world class with big names such as Anna Phoebe - Violinist extraordinaire; Beatbox collective - A small group packing a huge sound and Urban Strides - a dance collective sure to get anyone moving to the beat. The children returned to school buzzing with excitement, loving their very first Young Voices performance. This year's performance of 'Proud' will be released as a charity track, which Moat Farm are exceedingly proud to have been a part of. Roll on next year for a whole new catalogue of songs and dances!

Have a lovely weekend, see you all Monday for another great week!

Mrs Shaw and Mrs Scotney





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STAR PUPILS

STAR OF THE WEEK

LOWER SCHOOL

BLUE 3 - BETHANY T GREEN 3 - BRAYDEN R RED 3 - LEON M YELLOW 3 - IRA L BLUE 4 - LARA-MAY S GREEN 4 - LOLA J RED 4 - ZAC M YELLOW 4 - KACIE W

UPPER SCHOOL

BLUE 5 - MIKAYIL K GREEN 5 - ARMAAN R RED 5 - WINTER H YELLOW 5 - ISABELLE K BLUE 6 - TARMAN K GREEN 6 - NOAH S RED 6 - HARVIR O YELLOW 6 - MAKALA S

SPORTS SUPERSTARS

LOWER SCHOOL

BLUE 3 -GREEN 3 - MAYA D RED 3 - RALPHY D YELLOW 3 - FATEH D BLUE 4 - JAYLON M GREEN 4 - ARJUN K RED 4 - YUVRAJ B YELLOW 4 - AMINA M

UPPER SCHOOL

BLUE 5 - JAYDEN K GREEN 5 - NIAMH R RED 5 - TYLER D YELLOW 5 - LANCE R BLUE 6 - RAJLEEN N GREEN 6 - MILLIE M RED 6 - JAKE C YELLOW 6 - TOMMY T

BATTLE OF THE READERS



SPECIAL MENTIONS

LOWER SCHOOL

BLUE 3 - RAZA K GREEN 3 - ZAINAB A RED 3 - NATCHARIN B YELLOW 3 - ISABELLA E

BLUE 4 - KHYRA A GREEN 4 - KOLE P RED 4 - YUVRAJ B YELLOW 4 - LAUREN F

UPPER SCHOOL

BLUE 5 - AMELIA E GREEN 5 - SOPHIE P RED 5 - MEGAN C YELLOW 5 - SANVI S BLUE 6 - TRINITY B GREEN 6 - FATIMAH A RED 6 - RALPHY H YELLOW 6 - SEREN B

Teacher Training

Dates

MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2023 THURSDAY 29TH JUNE FRIDAY 30TH JUNE

| | DIARY | DATES | |
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| 20.01.23 | 25.01.23 | 27.01.23 | 31.01.23 |
| BLUE 4 CLASS ASSEMBLY | YEAR 3 TRIP TO GURU NANAK GURDWA | RED 3 CLASS ASSEMBLY | RED 6 & GREEN 6 HARTLEBURY MUSEUM TRIP |
| 01.02.23 YELLOW 6 & BLUE 6 HARTLEBURY MUSEUM TRIP | 01.02.23 RED 5 CLASS ASSEMBLY | O3.02.23 NSPCC NUMBER DAY | 06.02.23 12.02.23 CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK |
| 20.02.23 | 27.02.23 | 29.06.23 | 30.06.23 |
| FEBRUARY HALF TERM | TEACHER TRAINING DAY | TEACHER TRAINING DAY | TEACHER TRAINING DAY |



ATTENDANCE NEWS

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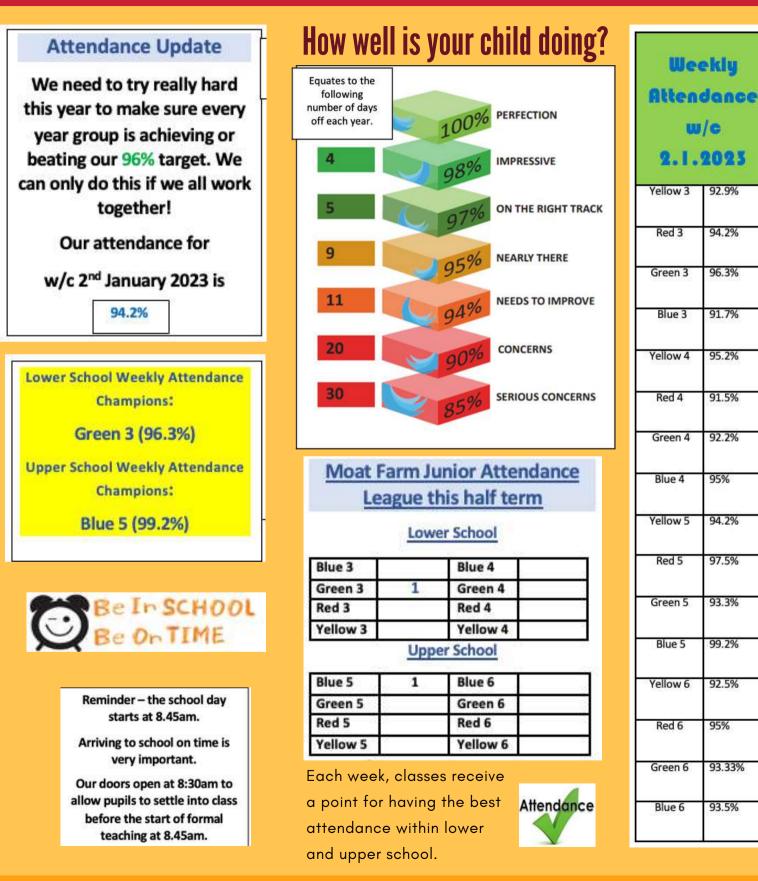
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