



Great [Wood] News

Spring Term 7

Diary Dates

11th March	-	Reception Children Muddy Morning
	-	PTFA Meeting, 6.30pm - All Welcome
13th March	-	Sport Relief
	-	Y5/6 Class Assembly, 2.30pm - All Welcome
17th March	-	Scholastic Book Fair
18th March	-	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea
19th March	-	Parents Forum - Computing Workshop
23rd March	-	Reception & Y6 School Measurement Programme
25th March	-	Reception Children Muddy Morning
27th March	-	Non -Uniform Day - Chocolate Donations
	-	Y1/2 Class Assembly, 2.30pm - All Welcome
	-	PTFA Easter Disco, 6pm-7.30pm
30th March	-	Academy Class Photograph's and Year 6 Leavers
	-	TMPF Music Concert @ TCA
1st April	-	Easter Lunch
	-	PTFA Easter Bingo
2nd April	-	Easter Egg Hunt
	-	School Closes for Easter
20th April	-	School Re-Opens
1st May	-	Y3/4 Class Assembly, 2.30pm - All Welcome
3rd May	-	VE Day Celebrations
8th May	-	Bank Holiday - School Closed
11th May	-	SATS Week
22nd May	-	School Closes for Half Term
1st June	-	School Re-Opens
	-	Y6 Visit to Laches Wood
10th June	-	Y5/6 Cricket Tournament
12th June	-	Y6 PE Transition @ TCA
17th June	-	Y3/4 Cricket Tournament
27th June	-	Ashby-de-la-Zouch Choir Concert - More details to follow
24th June	-	Academy Photography Sports Teams and Music
1st July	-	KS2 Athletics Competition
	-	Sports Awards Evening
4th July	-	Cheadle Carnival
8th July	-	Halle Concert



Year 5/6 Assembly

On Friday 13th March our Year 5/6 children will be performing their class assembly at 2.30pm. This will be an interesting assembly related to Sport Relief.



We welcome you to come and join us and share this assembly with 5/6.

Y6 Residential Outdoor Education Centre Visit 2020

Following our letter dated 1st October 2019 about our exciting residential trip to Laches Wood for year six pupils, please be reminded that payment is due at any time before the **2nd April 2020**, which is the final day for the cost of the trip to be paid in full.



Cheques should be made payable to 'The Moorlands Primary Federation'.

Sport Relief 2020



On Friday 13th March we invite children to wear sports clothes or bright coloured clothes all in aid of Sport Relief 2020.

Children will also be linking up with all our cluster schools to walk one mile in aid of Sports Relief. Each school pupil will complete 1 mile and eventually we'll reach Paris! Children will be able to run, walk, or jog their mile, which is 22 laps of our playground!

All we ask is that each child donates **£1** to take part.



Our next PTFA meeting will be held on, Wednesday 11th March at 6.30pm. Please come and join us and help organise our upcoming events.

Busy, Busy!

We are expecting that this half term will be an extremely busy one! We have lots of events taking place, including numerous outings for our children. All of these outings require permission slips, which have been/will be sent home accordingly. There is a great deal of organisation involved in providing these activities for our children and it would help immensely, if you could ensure that all slips and monies due are returned to school promptly. This will prevent staff having to chase slips, or children having to miss activities. Please can you also fill in all sections of the return slips. Thank you for your assistance with this matter and helping to make a smooth running, fun-filled term, where our children can enjoy fabulous events with the help of our dedicated staff.



take note of the new-style £20



The new-style £20 note is now in circulation. You can continue to use the old-style £20 note, featuring Sir Edward Elgar, until it is withdrawn from circulation.

For further information call 020 7601 4878 or visit www.bankofengland.co.uk

Reception Muddy Mornings

This half term, reception children will once again be taking part in Muddy Mornings! These will be on:

- Wed 11th March
- Wed 25th March

Please can children come to school wearing their muddy morning clothes on these days, (warm, outdoor clothes and shoes). They will then change to PE kits for the afternoon. No uniform required.



Headlice

We seem to have an extreme case of Head lice in school, which, unfortunately, despite previous requests we are struggling to get under control. Please can we ask all parents to check their child's hair carefully for any 'little visitors' and treat accordingly. Unless everyone checks and treats their child's hair we are going to have an ongoing problem. **Help may also be available if you contact your health visitor or GP.** We really appreciate your help with this, thank you!

Parent recommendation: Tea tree oil mixed in shampoo and vosene spray every day has really helped.



Scholastic Book Fair

On Thursday 17th March we will be holding our Book Fair. The Book Fair will be open before and after school. The Book Fair brings a wide selection of books suitable for all of the year groups, from Reception up to Year six. For every £1.00 that we raise at the book sale, school will receive commission, enabling us to extend the school library and reading resources for our children. **This year you will even be able to pay for your books by phone - see posters for more details.**

Each child will receive a National Book token to use against the purchase of any book costing over £2.99 at our book fair, participating book shops, or clubs.



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AFTERNOON TEA

On Wednesday, March 18th at 2.15pm, we will be holding an afternoon tea. This is a special treat for our mums/grandmas/carers, where we will look after the children and let you enjoy a treat in peace.

Tickets are £3 each and will be sold on a first come, first served basis and are available from the school office. Come and join us for a treat of homemade cakes, tea, coffee and a chat with friends. Hope to see you there!

****Please inform us about any allergies/dietary requirements when purchasing tickets****



Parent Forum - IT Evening

Following a request at our Parent's Forum, we will be holding an IT evening on Thursday 19th March from 6-7pm. This will be an opportunity for you to view the IT packages children use in school and can use at home.

The agenda will be;

- How to use espresso effectively
- Y3/4 Class Dojos
- Times Table Rock Stars
- Internet Safety

Please come along if you would like to see how these work for our child.



Covid-19

As you no doubt will be aware, coronavirus and more specifically Covid-19 is present in the UK. To protect our children, and yourselves, we ask that you, maintain high levels of hygiene by making sure that you and your children wash your hands thoroughly with warm, soapy water before you prepare food, eat food and after you have been to the toilet. This should ensure that we all stay healthy in school! If you require any more information about Covid-19 then please visit

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

School Attendance

We strive to provide the very best education possible. Below are attendance percentages up to 6th March 2020:

Reception/Year 1: 95.7%

Year 1/2: 95.9%

Year 3/4: 94.7%

Year 5/6: 96.4%



If your child is unable to attend or is going to be late, please phone the school office before 9.30am, or alternatively text us on 441538542001.

CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.

