

MOOR ROW SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 7th January 2022

‘Learning for Life’



Happy New Year! Welcome back to school. We hope you had an enjoyable festive season - the children have shared their holiday experiences within class. I have been particularly impressed with how quickly they have settled back into school life which has been excellent. I do hope the mornings haven't been too challenging at home. I think everyone is ready for the weekend.

Special School Dinner

On **Thursday 20th January** a special school dinner will be available for the children and staff at school. If your children normally have packed lunch they are more than welcome to join in and order a school dinner for that day (They do not have to have a whole week of school dinners). The children have voted for their favourite dinner and the winner was Cumberland sausage hotdogs with curly fries followed by a chocolate muffin. Yum – I'm looking forward to my dinner that day.

Year 5 / 6 Swimming

Year 5/6 will be swimming every afternoon for two weeks from Monday 10th January. Can I please remind you that any verruca's should be covered with a waterproof sock to try to reduce transmission of the virus. This will be the PE for the class for the 2 weeks – otherwise the children will be exhausted. Please remember to send in swimming kit and towels each day for the 2 weeks.

Staff Changes

Catherine Billington – our school cook - will be leaving us at February half term. She has been cooking for children and staff at Moor Row Primary School for nearly 18 years. She will be greatly missed but I know she is looking forward to spending more quality time with her family. We wish her all the best! I am currently working with our service provider- Orian – to employ a new school cook. The advert will be going live on Indeed very shortly.

Mother Day Presents

The school council are planning on making and selling small present bundles that the children in school can purchase as small gifts for Mother's Day. Any donations would be greatly appreciated of any suitable toiletries or other possible trinkets. Maybe you received something for Xmas which could be recycled.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

10th– 21st January – Year 5 & 6 swimming every day in the afternoon.

24th – 28th January – Year 5 & 6 Bikeability

14th – 18th February – HALF TERM

W/C 7th March & W/C 14th March – Year 3 & 4 swimming every day in the afternoon

Friday 1st April – last day of term

Wednesday 20th April – Return to school for start of the summer

School Caretaker Advert

Moor Row Primary School currently have a position available for a school caretaker – two hours per week. Days and times negotiable for successful candidate. Start Date: In January 2022. Salary: OP5 P6. Closing date: Friday 15th January 2022.

We are looking for a practical well motivated person who has experience of health and safety within a school setting. General duties will include:

- Being responsible for maintaining the good repair and security of the building and grounds ensuring a safe working environment for pupils, staff and visitors.
- Ensuring regular Health and safety checks are completed and recorded in line the Health and safety at Work regulations. This is to include checking fire alarms, emergency lighting, fire extinguishers and fire doors as well as legionella tap flushes and asbestos checks.

The successful candidate will be someone who:

- Is enthusiastic, efficient, flexible, reliable, shows attention to detail and is able to work using own initiative as well as part of a team.
- Has experience of general maintenance and DIY.
- Will embrace our highly supportive and professional culture.

Moor Row Primary School is an equal opportunities employer and is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All applicants are subject to the requirements of the Safeguarding Children and Safer Recruitment in Education guidelines. This will include checks with past employers. The appointment will also be subject to an enhanced DBS check and two satisfactory references. Application will only be considered when submitted on a fully completed CCC job application form which is available from the school office on request.

Covid 19

We currently have 12 staff and 82 pupils. On return to school this week we have 1 member of staff off with a positive PCR Test. There are 4 children off self-isolating due to close family members having positive PCR results and 2 children at home following positive LFT results.

The running total since September is 25 children with confirmed cases of Covid and 59 children who have had time off isolating pending PCR results or having been identified as close contacts. We have had 6 positive cases in staff.

I am currently updating the school Covid Risk Assessment based on new advice from the government as well as County. This will be shared as soon as possible.

Christmas Carols & Nativity

I was very impressed with the quality of the online Carols and the Nativities which were posted for parents and family to enjoy on Showbie, Tapestry and the school Facebook page at the end of last term. We hope you enjoyed them as much as the children and staff enjoyed putting them together. Again, thank you for your understanding in having them online again.

Children's Christmas Parties

The class Christmas parties were a huge success on Thursday 16th December. I popped into each party and I learnt a new party game – Corners.

Have a restful weekend, to recharge the batteries, following the early mornings which have seemed very dark.

Mrs J Beavis
Headteacher

Headteacher Awards



Congratulations to our winners of a Headteacher Award this week.



Zach (EYFS)
Frankie (Yr 1/2)
Jace (Yr 3/4)
Amy (Yr 5/6)

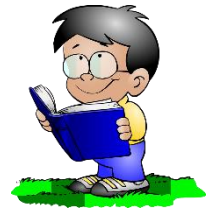
Reader of the Week Awards

Congratulations to our winners of the Reader of the Week Awards this week.

Please try and read with your children every day whenever possible and talking about the books with them is just as important.

Happy Reading!!

Reader of the Week
Florence (Yr 1/2)
Scarlet (Yr 3/4)
Libby (Yr 5/6)



Writer of the Week Awards



Writer of the Week
Miley (Yr 1/2)
Harrison (Yr 3/4)
Jesse (Yr 5/6)

Safeguarding



Cumbria Safeguarding Children Partnership (CSCB) are available if you have concerns about the wellbeing of any child. More information can be found at www.cumbrialscb.com

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