

# Moorlands Primary School

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Nurturing values and communication

Newsletter February 2024

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## Praise assembly:

Thank you to all the parents that have attended the praise assemblies this half term and contributed to celebrating their children's and other children's success. This is such an enjoyable weekly event as it showcases the children's hard work and dedication.

## Inclusion bear:

Each week, a class is chosen to look after Inclusion bear. The class is chosen based on the values that the class has shown in lessons and outside at playtimes. This is the highlight of the children's week as they want to know what Inclusion bear will learn in the following week. So far he has visited Year 1,2,3 and 6.

## Start Small, Dream Big

We're proud to be participating in Wave 2 of The Career and Enterprise Company's pilot primary school programme: **Start Small; Dream Big!** The pilot programme aims to increase primary-aged children's awareness of the world of work, raise aspirations and reduce stereotypes.

To learn more about Start Small; Dream Big go

to: <https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/news/primary-school-pilot-to-help-children-dream-big-about-their-future-careers/>



## School values:

This term the values are resilience and perseverance. The children in school have been working really hard on these values. This has resulted in success for children in their writing, maths and reading.

## Advance notice

### Year Six Events – July 2024

This year, Year Six's Leavers Disco will be held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July from 4.30 pm until 6.30 pm. On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July there will be a Leaver's afternoon tea celebration. This will be a time for us to celebrate Year Six's achievements and a chance for parents and carers to say a farewell.



**Holiday Activities free for Free School Meal pupils. Look out for your HAF code and book at:**  
<https://holidayactivities.sandwell.gov.uk/>

## Mothering Events

Parents and carers are invited to:  
Reception – Refreshment afternoon – 6<sup>th</sup> March 1.30 pm  
Years 1 and 2 – Mothering assembly – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2.30 pm



# Friends of Moorlands

Coffee morning and Summer fair planning, Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 9.00 - 10.00 am. If you are able to help, come and join our friendly group of volunteers.

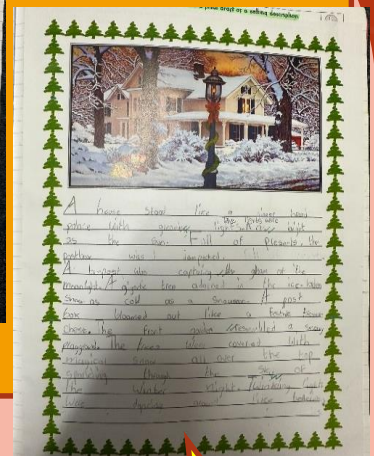
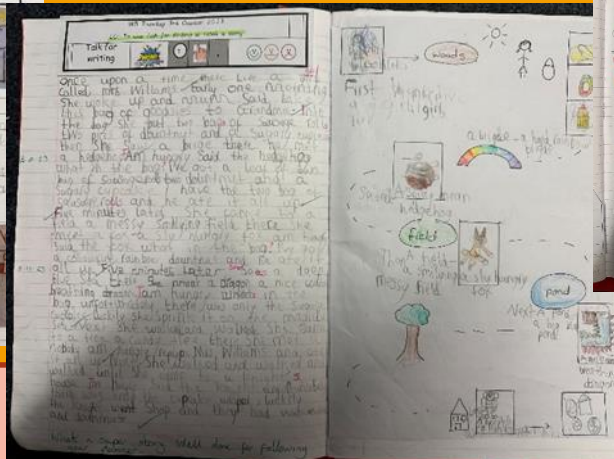
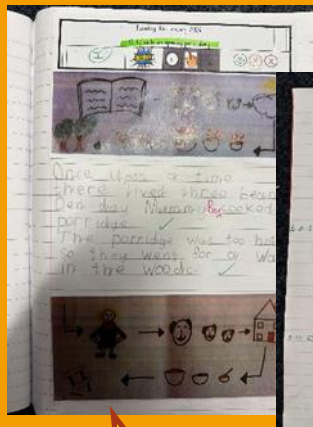


## Fundraising:

Thank you. The Rudolph Run raised £520 for St Giles Hospice.

## Talk for Writing:

As part of our English curriculum the school uses 'Talk for Writing' to encourage children to develop their oracy skills. This means that when they come to write a story they have already rehearsed it and have actions to help them remember it. This is started in Reception and developed as they go through the school.



WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**

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## World Book Day:

**On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, it is World Book Day.** we would your child to create a new character from their favourite book or make their favourite character by using their handprints as part of their creation. The children will also bringing home a voucher that they can spend from **Thursday 15 February until Sunday 31 March 2024**. You can redeem your World Book Day £1 book token at the following retailers:

Asda, Sainsburys, Tesco, The Works, Waterstones and WHSmith.

## Measles

**Pop-up MMR vaccine clinics** are providing the vaccine for children aged 1 year and older, as well as for adults who have missed a dose. The next clinics in Sandwell are:

**NHS**

Saturday 10 February 2024	Tuesday 13 February 2024	Thursday 15 February 2024
9am-3pm	9am – 3pm	9am – 3pm
<b>West Bromwich Central Family Hub</b> Off Claypit Lane West Bromwich, B70 9EZ	<b>Tesco Cradley Health</b> Fox Oak Street Cradley Health B64 5DF	<b>Tesco West Bromwich</b> 46 New Square West Bromwich B70 7PR

## Reminder

**Reminder: School gates open at 8.35 am, doors at 8.40 – 8.50 am:**  
There are still a number of children that are arriving late. This means that your child may be embarrassed when entering the classroom particularly if the lesson has already begun and also means they have missed vital learning time. It is important that children arrive at school on time as it helps set the expectations for their later life and that punctuality is key to success.



### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is available daily from 7.45-8.45 am; this is run by Mrs Smith and Mrs Lunn. The children are provided with cereal, toast and a drink followed by activities. **This costs £3.50 per day which is payable on the day and there is no need to book.**

### ELSA:

Mrs Wells' role is to support pupils and families with any concerns that you may have with your child regarding anxiety, anger, their social developments etc. Mrs Wells is usually outside in a morning on the Key Stage 1 gate.

### Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
<b>5 Minutes</b>	<b>3.5 Days from School</b>	<b>20 Lessons</b>
<b>10 Minutes</b>	<b>7 Days from School</b>	<b>41 Lessons</b>
<b>15 Minutes</b>	<b>10 Days from School</b>	<b>55 Lessons</b>
<b>20 Minutes</b>	<b>14.5 Days from School</b>	<b>82 Lessons</b>
<b>30 Minutes</b>	<b>22 Days from School</b>	<b>123 Lessons</b>

The school's Attendance Officer has completed home visits this last half term. The aim of this is to support families to ensure that their children are in school and are punctual. If your child/ren are absent please contact the school office on 0121 556 0352 by 9.30 am on the day, with the reason for their absence. It is your responsibility to inform the school office regarding the absence, if we have not had contact with parents then the absence will be recorded as unauthorised and we may send the Attendance Officer round to complete a well-being check.

**Moorlands' Superstars!** Congratulations to Victoria, Liliana and Jacob in Year 1 who took part in a presentation as they have achieved the Chief Scout Acorn Award at Squirrels.

### Dates for the diary:

- 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February** Half term
- 19<sup>th</sup> February** Children return to school at 8.40 am
- 6<sup>th</sup> March** Year 1 and 2 visit to St James Church
- 6<sup>th</sup> March** 2.00 pm Reception Afternoon refreshments – mothering afternoon
- 7<sup>th</sup> March** World Book Day – letter has been sent
- 8<sup>th</sup> March** Public Speaking competition – final at the council house
- 8<sup>th</sup> March** Mothering Assembly Years 1 and 2 2.30 pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> March-15<sup>th</sup> March** Science Week
- 12<sup>th</sup> March** Year 2 visit to Cannock Chase
- 14<sup>th</sup> March** Wow Active Champions 6 – Year 1 and 2 pupils
- 19<sup>th</sup> March and 21<sup>st</sup> March** Parents Evening 3.30-6.00 pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> March** Easter Bonnet parade Reception, Key Stage 1 and Little Learners 9.15 am
- 22<sup>nd</sup> March** 2.30 pm Key Stage 2 Easter celebration

