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Nurturing values and communication

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Parents Evening:

Thank you to all the parents that attended parents evening before the Easter break. Hopefully you got the chance to meet PC Blakemore on the Thursday and gain information from the Reflexions team on how they can support your child with their mental health. Thank you to any parent that spoke to the pupils about our 'Start Small Dream Big' project and how you might help the children of Moorlands develop their knowledge of the careers that are available.

Inclusion bear:

Inclusion bear is a popular feature of praise assembly and he visits a different class each week. Over the last half term, he has made a new friend – children came up with a range of names for him and then voted on this. This has helped develop children's understanding of how democracy works.



Eco-team:

Our eco-team in school have been meeting weekly and they are responsible for the new bins that are located in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. They are currently working on their next sustainable project.



School values:

Summer term the values are gratitude and co-operation. The children over the Spring term have come up with so many inspiring pictures and words to help each other with building up their resilience skills and how to persevere.

Advance notice

Year Six Events – July 2024

This year, Year Six's Leavers Disco will be held on Friday 12th July from 4.30 pm until 6.30 pm. On Friday 19th 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.

Friends of Moorlands

Coffee morning and Summer fair planning, Friday 12th April 9.00 -10.00

am. If you are able to help, come and join our friendly group of volunteers.



Up coming event:

Friday 24th May Baggie Bird's Penalty Shoot out.

Working together with Wednesbury Schools

Public Speaking Competition

Pupils in Year 3 and 5 represented Moorlands in the annual Wednesbury's schools public speaking competition at the Council House in Oldbury. The theme was 'What is fair?' The children spoke confidently and this event showcases the importance of Wednesbury children's voices.

Science Week:

Children have focused on the theme of 'Time' in Science over the last week and have had the chance to design a poster. These posters were displayed during our parents' evening, I hope you got chance to have a look.

Netball tournament

Children in Years 5 and 6 attended a mixed 5-a-side netball tournament with other local Wednesbury schools. The children wore our new red and black strip. This has been the first netball tournament the school has competed in for years and hopeful will lead to many more.

Wow tournament

Children in Year 1 and 2 attended a 'Wow Active' tournament in Longbridge competing with other schools across the West Midlands. They took part in a range of physical activities and all children were awarded with a medal.

Summer term: We look forward to the Year 5 and 6 football tournaments in June – girls and boys.

Easter Bonnet Parade and Easter Scenes

Thank you to everyone that took part in the Easter competition. It has been a lovely way to end the term and see the children's and parent's creative flair.



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...

5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

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.

**Reflexions – Anxiety workshop for parents
Friday 17th May 2.00 – 3.00 pm**

Dates for the diary:

8th April

19th April

7th May

13th – 17th May

24th May

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27th May- 31st May

3rd June

3rd June- 7th June

7th June

Return to school at 8.40 am

Year 2 NSPCC 'Shout' workshop

Year 1 visit to the Mosque

Key Stage 2 SATs week

Baggie Bird Penalty Shoot Out

School closes at 3.10 pm

Half term

Return to school at 8.40 am

Book Fair after school

Photograph Day

