



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 10th February 2017

Dear Parents / Carers,

**Class Assembly:** 3ST presented some fascinating facts about earthquakes and volcanoes. They explained how and why they happen and showed us some lovely artwork which they had made. When they all stamped their feet, the ground certainly shook!

**Headteacher Awards:** Congratulations to Arqam Abdi Shakuwe, Kayleigh Murphy, Kalina Lisewska and Kailun Griffin who all received Headteacher Awards this week.

**Golden Tickets:** The children who have been rewarded with Golden Tickets this week and have been selected to sit at the 'Top Table' next week are:

Year Group	Children	Year Group	Children
R	Eviee and Riley	4	Lexi and Felicia
1	Riley and Bahati	5	Caidon and Blessing
2	Arlie-Rose and Macy	6	Fatma and Sophia
3	Abdallah and Sajda		

**House Points:** Last week's winners were: **Godiva**

Godiva		Moorcroft		Herbert		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
18	85	16	65	17	79	17	77

**Safer Internet Day:** On Tuesday, the whole school spent time within their classes learning about safety around using the internet, which included them being reminded to keep passwords safe and not give out personal information, as well as how to report something on the internet that is either inappropriate or causing them to be worried or concerned. Children were asked to design a smiley emoji with a positive message. The deadline for emojis to be completed is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February and prizes will be awarded for the best designs. The following website has lots of really useful information about how your child can stay safe online: [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

**Fantastic Fundraisers:** On Wednesday, we were able to present a cheque for the grand total of £2593.86 to Claire from Myton Hospice. She told us that it was the most that had ever been raised from a primary school in the local area so we are immensely proud of everyone for their fantastic efforts. We presented all of the children who raised more than £15 with a special certificate and anyone raising over £25 also received small reward. A special mention must go to Zach (YN) who raised £285 and Kailun (Y1) who raised £215. The Myton bears were won by Ella (Y1) and Kian (Y5).

**Bookmarks:** The children have all been given bookmarks with their school reading books to use whenever they read at home. Please use the questions that are printed on the bookmarks to support your child's understanding of what they have read.

**School Bank:** Just a reminder that the Moat House School Bank is open every Tuesday morning from 8:40 am until 9:10 am. With Spring just around the corner, it is the perfect opportunity for children to save their pennies for the summer holidays. There is no minimum amount that can be deposited and we find that children enjoy to watch their pennies grow into pounds. We are keen to encourage our children to learn and develop good financial habits to support them in later life. If your child would like to open an account with the school bank, forms can be collected from the school office.

**Traffic:** I was concerned to hear about a near miss last week when a child was crossing Winston Road on their way to school. I spoke with Councillor Patricia Seaman about the issue and she advised that this could be raised at a local residents' meeting. Her contact details are [pat.seaman@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:pat.seaman@coventry.gov.uk) telephone Office: 024 7683 1039

**Parents in School:** As part of our drive to improve our contact and communication with parents, we would like to inform you that refreshments will now be available after each class assembly on a Friday morning. We would also like to invite you in for refreshments on the two parents' evenings that are being held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Our school choir will also be performing on these evenings and our new school library will be open for children to take out books and for parents to experience.

**Mobile Phones:** We would like to remind parents and children that mobile phones are not permitted in school. If Year 5 and 6 children walk to and from school, then any mobile phone that they carry for this purpose needs to be handed in to the school office at the beginning of the school day and can be collected at the end of the day.

**Children's Centre Notice:** Did you receive a letter about Benefit Cap or cuts to your housing benefit? The changes mostly affect families with three or more children. If you think this might affect you, please come and have a chat with the Benefits Advisor at Moat House Children's Centre on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February from 1:30 - 3:00 pm or call Ruth for more information: 024 7678 5621.

**Pause for thought:** 'The best angle to approach any problem is the try - angle.' - Unknown. What if we fail?

**Please make a note of the following dates for your diary:**

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for thought

- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Year 3 trip to Coventry
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February - Key Stage 1 Agility Competition
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February - Year 4 visit to Warwick University
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Year 4 Tag Rugby Competition
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Half term holiday
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February - Teacher Training Day
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February - Children return to school
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March - Parents' Evening
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - Parents' Evening
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March - Parents' Meeting for Year 2 SATs
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March - Year 6 residential Plas Dol -y- Moch
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April - Easter break
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April - Children return to school
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May - Year 6 SATs week
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Half term break
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Teacher Training Day
- Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Hordain Football Tournament (France)
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Children return to school
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Year 5 residential Swadlincote (near Conkers)
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July - Last day of Summer Term
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September - Children return to school

*Yours sincerely,  
Alasdair Black  
Headteacher*



**Attendance for last week:**

Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 92.4%

The class with the best attendance last week was: 5CB with 99.6%

Attendance money won:  
£1 - 5CB, 5SG and 6SH

