



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 16th February 2018

Dear Parents / Carers,

Headteacher Awards: Congratulations to Scott Angus, Laycie Harris, Dylan Nevin and Ewiee Hayden-Yerbury, 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' in the first week after half term are:

Year Group	Children	Year Group	Children
R	Carolina and Aysam	4	Scarlet and Jordan
1	Bawar and Rory	5	Joshua and Sean
2	Ella and Anshika	6	Lilly and Jamila
3	Nikita and Lacie P		

House Points: This week's winner is Herbert. This half term's winner is Herbert.

Godiva		Herbert		Moorcroft		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
23	68	27	75	21	70	19	70

Nursery Festivals: Our lucky Nursery children have celebrated three festivals this week. On Tuesday, parents were invited in to school to join their children for Pancake Day celebrations. The children took part in races and everyone tried a variety of toppings - we weren't surprised that chocolate was the most popular! The children made cards, flowers and jam tarts for Valentine's Day on Wednesday. And finally, on Thursday the children celebrated Chinese New Year. Again, parents were invited into school to make lucky red envelopes containing gold coins, Chinese lanterns and to try some delicious Chinese food. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Yang Yang, who cooked and donated most of the food.

Pancake Race: It may have been a wild, wet and windy day but this did not stop Miss Solanki and the school councillors from organising pancake races across the playground on Tuesday. Everyone from Reception to Year 6 joined in with the fun by racing with their pancakes in frying pans in a relay style race. The winning team was Herbert and they have been rewarded with extra points for their team.

Highly Sprung: Year 3 visited the Birmingham Thinktank museum on Wednesday and had a fantastic time. The children worked with the staff from Highly Sprung and learnt about how the heart and lungs work, the role that DNA plays in our bodies, the planets in our solar system and how coding is used to control robots. They are thoroughly looking forward to May as they will get to work with the Highly Sprung team again!

Year 2 Sports Events: On Wednesday, thirty Year 2 children took part in a multi-sport competition at the Alan Higgs Centre. The children competed against five other schools in six different events. All of the children took part enthusiastically and showed off their sporting skills. They jumped, ran and threw their way to third place! The children were well behaved and represented Moat House perfectly. A big thank you must go to the Year 6 helpers (Alesha, Nafissa, Maxine and Aathana), who ran, scored and helped with the organisation - they were fantastic role models to our younger children.

Chinese Lunch: On Thursday, the school kitchen put on a Chinese themed lunch, so the dining hall was decorated with Chinese lanterns, dragons and bunting. Children were able to choose from vegetable spring roll, chicken curry, chow mein, egg fried rice and prawn crackers to celebrate the Chinese New Year.

Year 3 Rugby: Today, a sporting group of eight girls and eight boys from Year 3 took part in a Tag Rugby Festival at the Alan Higgs Centre. Whilst playing against other schools, all of the children displayed the five values the Engage! coaches have taught them in their sessions - integrity, enjoyment, discipline, respect and teamwork. The children from Moat House were brilliantly behaved, had a fantastic time and were a credit to the school.

Pause for Thought: "You cannot judge what should bring others joy, and others cannot judge what should bring you joy."
 Alan Cohen. Would life be the same if we all liked the same things?

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

- Monday 26th February - Teacher Training Day
- Tuesday 27th February - Children return to school
- Wednesday 28th February - Parents' Evening
- Thursday 1st March - Parents' Evening
- Thursday 1st March - World Book Day
- Monday 5th March - Music Week
- Monday 12th March - Science Week
- Thursday 15th March - Irish themed lunch for St. Patrick's Day
- Thursday 22nd March - Parents' Event
- Thursday 29th March - Easter Break
- Monday 16th April - Children return to school
- Monday 23rd April - English themed lunch for St. George's Day
- Monday 14th - Friday 18th May - Year 6 SATs
- Saturday 19th - Monday 21st May - Hordain Football Tournament
- Thursday 24th May - Half term break
- Friday 25th May - Teacher training day
- Monday 4th June - Children return to school
- Wednesday 25th July - Summer break

*Yours sincerely,
 Alasdair Black
 Headteacher*

Letters that were sent home this week: 16th February - Year 2 teaching arrangements (2ET)



Attendance for last week:

Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 94.8%

The class with the best attendance last week was 3SH with 98%

Attendance money won:
 £1 - 3SH

