

Weekly Newsletter



Friday 3rd March 2017

Dear Parents / Carers,

Headteacher Awards: Congratulations to Ruvarashe Kandengwa, Nathan Hutson, Kara-Mai Grant, Vasni Muanza, Victoria Tamakloe and Makai Smith, 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	Lilymay and Mersie	4	Rosline and Amanda
1	Maria and Caitlin	5	Adam and Elle
2	Helin and Danielle	6	Teigan and Vanessa
3	Leigha and Jordan		

House Points: Last half term's winners were: **Godiva**

Godiva		Moorcroft		Herbert		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
15	15	16	16	22	22	18	18

World Book Day: To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday, Moat House held a dress-up day, where everyone, including the teachers, came dressed up as characters from their favourite book. There were lots of fantastic costumes, but sadly there was only one winner and one runner up in each phase for the best costumes. Each winner (listed below) received a £5 gift voucher to be spent at our Book Fair which starts on Thursday 16th March and the runners up won a colouring pack (FS/KS1) or a new book from our school library (KS2). Thank you to everyone for your support.

Phase	Winner	Runner up
Foundation	George	Eviee
KS1	Ryan	Arlie-Rose
LKS2	Benjamin	Connor
UKS2	Katelyn	Muhammed

Author Visit: On Thursday, our children enjoyed a visit from Trish Cooke, a children's book author. She started the day by speaking to the whole school in an assembly about some of her favourite publications and her main influences. Throughout the day, each class had an opportunity to meet with Trish and ask her some questions, as well as hear about some of the books she has written. We hope that she may have inspired some of our children with their own writing, which could even lead to some future Moat House authors!

Parents' Evening: We were delighted with the turnout of families at our Parents' Evenings on Wednesday and Thursday this week. We hope that you found your meeting useful and informative and we hope that you now have a good idea about how you can help and support your child to continue to progress and succeed with his/her learning at Moat House.

Parents' Meeting for Year 2 SATs: We would just like to say 'Thank you' to those Year 2 parents who attended the Key Stage 1 SATs Parents' Meeting this morning. We looked briefly at the format of the SATs tests, which will take place throughout May. Parents were shown some of the SATs materials, and given some information about how they can support their children.

Car Park: Can I please remind parents and carers to park safely and have consideration for others when they park at the beginning and end of the school day. I am aware of how busy it gets in the car park but we are very lucky to have off road parking, unlike all of the other schools where I have worked where the only parking has been on the streets around the school.

Pause for thought: "If there is no struggle, there is no progress.' - Frederick Douglas
Can we make progress if we find things easy?

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for thought

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

Tuesday 14 th - Saturday 18 th March	-	Year 6 residential Plas Dol-y-Moch
Thursday 16 th - Thursday 23 rd March	-	Book Fair
Friday 24 th March	-	Red Nose Day
Friday 7 th April	-	Easter break
Monday 24 th April	-	Children return to school
Monday 8 th May	-	Year 6 SATs week
Thursday 25 th May	-	Half term break
Friday 26 th May	-	Teacher Training Day
Saturday 3 rd - Monday 5 th June	-	Hordain Football Tournament (France)
Monday 5 th June	-	Children return to school
Wednesday 12 th - Friday 14 th July	-	Year 5 residential Swadlincote (near Conkers)
Tuesday 25 th July	-	Last day of Summer Term
Tuesday 5 th September	-	Children return to school

*Yours sincerely,
Alasdair Black
Headteacher*

Letters that were sent home this week:

27th February - School English Explained (whole school), Year 6 SATs meeting letter (Year 6)



Attendance for the week before half term:

Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 95%

The class with the best attendance last week was: 6SH with 100%

Attendance money won:
£5 - 6SH, £1 - 1EW

