



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 24th March 2017

Dear Parents / Carers,

Year 6's Assembly: Year 6 gave us a really informative assembly this morning, which finished off with the Comic Relief School song. We spend a lot of time discussing British Values with our children and it was fascinating to hear how Year 6 had learned about magistrates court and carried out a mock trial to understand the process and roles of the different people involved. On a lighter note, they shared some of the learning that they did when they had a Maya day (including the fact that the chocolate they tasted was revolting). They also explained some of the reasons that Red Nose Day exists and showed a video to support this.

Headteacher Awards: Congratulations to Aysam Wafi, Kyron-Lee Spencer, Tyrelle Bicker, Molly-May Brown and Ndey Sillah, 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	Fatma and Paloma	4	Ayobami and Matas
1	Chelsea and Mateusz	5	Alisha and Eidlis
2	Kara-Mai and Ruvarashe	6	Teigan and Ya-Awa
3	Lexi and Ben		

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

Godiva		Moorcroft		Herbert		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
20	55	18	51	16	51	21	58

Safer Internet Poster Winners: The following children have won our competition for their poster designs of an emoji in the #giveasmile campaign. The winners were announced in assembly this week and winning posters will all be displayed in our Computing Suite. Each of the winners will receive a prize for their amazing efforts.

Dol-y-Moch: Thirty children and four adults from Moat House spent a few days in Snowdonia last week. We left on Tuesday 14th March and returned on Saturday 18th. An amazing time was had by all! We were split into three groups and over the stay, every group completed the same activities: kayaking, orienteering and independent walk, beach scramble, mountain biking, a day on the mountain (including exploring old slate mines) and a trip to the world famous Cadwaladers ice cream parlour in Criccieth. During the trip, all of the children had opportunities to try new things and they were admirable in overcoming fears and challenges - which is what outdoor education is all about! We had a mixture of sunshine, showers and murky grey mist but the Dol-y-Moch kit meant that the weather really didn't matter.

Highly Sprung: On Tuesday, Highly Sprung once again worked with Year 3 and engaged them with some lively activities. Bart said: "one of the most enjoyable games was shadow mirroring; this involved a child standing up and creating a shape with their whole body while another child pretended to be their shadow and copied their shape while lying down!"

Red Nose Day: The themed red noses have once again proved to be so popular that we needed to get extra supplies! In combination with these and wearing red today, we think we will have raised a lot of money for this worthwhile cause. We will be able to let you know how much we have managed to raise in a future newsletter.

Library: The school library will be opening after school every Tuesday for parents to take along their children and borrow books. This will start on Tuesday 28th March and will be from 3:30 - 4:00pm. We look forward to welcoming you in our fantastic library soon!

Family Fun at Moat House: On Tuesday 4th April (3:30 - 4:30), Premier Sports are leading a fun event for parents and children. This is a taster session which will lead to a twelve week programme if there is sufficient interest from families. You are welcome to come along on the day - please remember to wear comfortable clothing and suitable shoes for fun activities.

Twitter: Why not take a look at our Twitter account (@moat_house)? We currently have 257 followers! As well as useful reminders, we regularly post photos of events that are reported about in our weekly newsletter.

Pedestrian Crossing: There have been a few complaints about cars failing to stop for children and parents at the pedestrian crossing on the Moat House campus. Please can I ask motorists to ensure that children and parents are prioritised on the school crossing.

St. Chad's News: Rev Andrew Fisher would like to invite you to an "All Age Mothering Sunday Service" at St Chad's on Hillmorton Road at 10.30am this Sunday. There is a free breakfast for children from 9.30 am and free flowers and cards for mums and grans!

Pause for thought: 'A wise man can learn more from a foolish question than a fool can learn from a wise answer.'
- Bruce Lee
Are you a wise man or a fool?

pause



for thought

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

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| Friday 24 th March | - | Red Nose Day |
| Friday 31 st March | - | Nursery closed (for parent consultations) |
| Friday 7 th April | - | Easter break |
| Monday 24 th April | - | Children return to school |
| Friday 28 th April | - | Highly Sprung Performance for Y3 (Warwick Arts Centre) |
| 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*



Attendance for the week before half term:

Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 96.8%

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

Attendance money won:
£5 - 6SH, £1 - 6JK, 5CB, 5SG, 4BC, 3ZT, 2JG

