



## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 5th December 2014

Dear Parents / Carers,

**Class Assembly:** 3PH produced a fantastic class assembly this week where they showed us how amazing they are at speaking another language. They were able to count, say the days of the week and even sing a Christmas Carol - all in French! Well done to 3PH and especially to Billie, who was extremely brave and sang a solo in front of the whole school.

**Headteacher Awards:** Congratulations to Dillan Campbell, Jalil Munyandekwe and Connor Grant who all received Headteacher Awards this week.

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

Year Group	Children
R	Ruvarashe and Peter
1	Devon and Betty
2	Kallea and Roksana
3	Connor and Matthew
4	Leah and Beverley
5	Aaliyah and Elias
6	Connor W and Julija

**Wasps Swarm Around KS2:** Following their recent relocation from their London home to Coventry's Ricoh Arena, the Wasps Rugby Union team have been working hard to build relationships with schools in the area. On Monday, it was the turn of Moat House to welcome three players into the school to meet the children and answer a few questions. Our children asked some very challenging questions ranging from "how many serious injuries have you had?" to "are you going to look after the pitch that Coventry City Football Club still play on?" All the children enjoyed having their photographs taken with the Wasps' European trophy and the players made quite an impact on both children and staff!

**Year 5 Visit to Partnership Centre:** On Monday and Tuesday the Year 5 children visited the Partnership Centre as part of their Coventry Blitz work. They investigated what it was like to be trapped in an Anderson Shelter during a blitz bombing raid complete with draughty living conditions, no heating and horrible smells! They then made their own mini Anderson Shelters out of corrugated cardboard ready for decorating when they returned to class. The highlight of the trip was their firefighting training, where they had to create a chain of people able to pass buckets of freezing cold water up to a stirrup pump, which they had to work in order to power their hosepipe. The children took it in turns to do this and they all helped put out the imaginary fire. They were good at communicating clearly with each other, especially after getting water slopped on their hands or feet!

**Choir visit to Quinton Lodge:** On Wednesday, our school choir visited Quinton Lodge where they sang a number of songs including some Christmas carols. The elderly residents really appreciated the children's visit and thoroughly enjoyed the festive singing. The children were treated to a drink, a biscuit and chocolate and were great representatives for Moat House Primary School.

**Belgrade Theatre Visit:** On Thursday, the whole school from Reception to Year 6 were given the opportunity to watch the pantomime, Aladdin, at the Belgrade Theatre in Coventry. The children thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience of watching a professional performance in a theatre. We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the extra helpers who accompanied our children on the visit. Also a big well done to all of the children who were once again a credit to Moat House Primary School and behaved extremely well throughout the whole event.

**Football News:** On Thursday, our football team played their final match of the year against Willenhall. It was an extremely tough match as the opposition are very experienced and the visibility was poor. The team put lots of effort in and played very well despite the difficult conditions.

**Morning Arrangements:** I know that it can be very frustrating for parents when you arrive at school a couple of minutes late and find that the entrance doors to classes are closed. However teachers have been instructed to close the doors at these set times in order to protect all of our children. This ensures that we have accurate records of exactly who is on the school premises.

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

- 10th December - Foundation Stage Christmas performances (9:30 and 2:15)
- 11th December - KS1 Christmas performances (9:30 and 2:15)
- 17<sup>th</sup> December - Whole school visit to St. Chads Church
- 19th December - KS2 Carol Concert
- 19<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Break
- 5<sup>th</sup> January - Children return to school
- 5<sup>th</sup> January - Health Week
- 15<sup>th</sup> January - Young Voices
- 19<sup>th</sup> January - Recycling Week
- 19<sup>th</sup> January - Year 3 Roman Day

*Yours sincerely,  
Alasdair Black  
Headteacher*

**Letters that were sent home this week:**

- 28<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Lunch Letter (Whole school)

**Attendance**



Our school target for attendance is 96%.

Last week's attendance was: 92.9%

The class with the best attendance last week was: 4KG