



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 11th March 2016

Dear Parents / Carers,

**6SH Assembly:** 6SH have been reading different books by Roald Dahl and shared some of their favourite stories, such as *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *The Fantastic Mr Fox* and *George's Marvellous Medicine*. They also told us lots of facts about Roald Dahl's life. Did you know that he wrote most of his books in his garden shed? Well done, 6SH! It was fantastic!

**Headteacher Awards:** Congratulations to Ruvarashe Kandengwa, Nuuman-Abdi Shakuwe, Brielle Boamah, Ralph Pina, Aboubakar Khatib, Jessica Scanlon, Nathaniel Kostka, Jamila Barnes, Katelyn Rowley, Oliver Jozefczyk, Eidlis Kabango and Yagouba Bah, 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	Year Group	Children
R	Laynie and Megan Rose	4	No names were in the box
1	Kadan and Skye	5	Jabril and Bradley
2	Scarlet and Indiana	6	Kevin and Kieron
3	Cerys and Connor		

**House Points:** Last week's winners were: **Herbert**.

Godiva		Moorcroft		Herbert		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
22	78	20	67	35	93	31	84

**Year 2 Scientist Visit:** On Monday, Year 2 had a rather interesting visit from the Freshwater Theatre Company. An eccentric scientist came along with her 'exploratorium' machine, where the children had to find facts about plants and what they need to grow. The children investigated different types of plants, seeds and bulbs and reported back to the scientist. All of the children learnt lots of interesting facts and had lots of fun!

**Kinetic Theatre:** On Tuesday, the children were treated to an afternoon of theatre to help them understand some aspects of Science. The children learnt about states of matter and how liquids, solids and gases are formed; they were also taught about properties of different materials including plastic and glass. The information was all communicated in a fun and entertaining way and included singing and dancing. The children were all able to join in and some lucky volunteers were also invited to take on a role in the show, in front of the whole school.

**Moat House Times Table Challenge:** This week Key Stage 2 classes have been holding contests to select children to represent Moat House at an inter-schools times table contest at Potters Green next week. Abubakr and Ralph will be the Year 3/4 representatives and Alisha and Adam will be the Year 5/6 representatives. The following children were runners up in the contest and they will be given the opportunity to attend the contest to support the competitors. The supporting children are: Oliver, Eidlis, Jamila, Nathaniel, Katelyn and Jessica. You will receive a letter requesting permission, if your child is representing or supporting.

**Book Author Visit:** On Thursday, Moat House gave a very warm welcome to illustrator and author of children's books, Simon Murray. Simon worked with the children year group by year group. The children were thrilled to discover that every one of them could not only draw a character, but draw it well under the careful guidance of Simon. Both children and adults who thought they couldn't draw found, to their amazement, that they could. Everybody had a wonderful time creating their version of Icky Doo Dah.

**Football Match:** The school team played a football match at home against Potter Green. Moat House took the lead after 30 minutes, but sadly fitness told, and we finally lost 4 - 1. Darren was chosen as Man of the Match for his outstanding effort. Well played boys!

**Book character day:** To celebrate World Book Day and the launch of our Book Fair, 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 in each class for the best costumes. Each winner (listed below) received a £5 gift voucher to be spent at our Book Fair which starts on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March. The prize for the best staff costume was chosen by representatives from the School Council. This was won by Miss Tye.

Class	Child	Class	Child
Nursery am	Amie	3DG	Abubakr
Nursery pm	Kalina	3ZT	Cameron
RSR	Michael	4KG	Lilly
RLM	Alfie	4SG	Cieran
1JS	Nicola	5NL	Ellie
1JG	Lacie A	5HT	Olivia
2ET	Olivia	6JK	Ethan
2CB	Leigha	6SH	Kieron

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

Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Book Fair in school
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Year 6 children to Dol-y-Moch
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Year 6 children return from Dol-y-Moch
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Year 3 host Morning of Music
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	-	St. Patrick's Day themed lunch
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Book fair leaves school
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Year 3 to Herbert Art Gallery/Transport Museum
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	-	School visit to St. Chad's church
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Easter break
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	-	Children return to school
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	-	St. George's Day themed lunch
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	-	SATs week for Year 6
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> - Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	-	Hordain football tournament (France)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	-	Italian themed lunch
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	-	Half term break
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	-	Teacher Training day ( <i>children should not attend school</i> )
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	-	Children return to school
Weds 29 <sup>th</sup> June- Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	-	Year 5 Visit to Derbyshire
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Summer break
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Teacher Training day ( <i>children should not attend school</i> )

*Yours sincerely,  
Alasdair Black  
Headteacher*

Letters that were sent home this week:

8 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Book Fair letter (whole school)
8 <sup>th</sup> March	-	St. Patrick's Day themed lunch (whole school)
9 <sup>th</sup> March	-	After School Clubs (whole school)

**Attendance  
(for last week):**



Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 95.4%

The class with the best attendance last week was: 6JK with 99%

Attendance money won: £5.00 - 6SH, £2.50 - 5NL