



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 18th March 2016

Dear Parents / Carers,

4KG's Assembly: Thank you to 4KG for their assembly this morning about Sports Relief. They informed us about the things that celebrities are doing to raise money and they made us aware of the difficulties many people face around the world, and how the money that we raise supports them. The children impressed us all with their loud clear voices and super harmony singing!

Headteacher Awards: Congratulations to Andre Gomes, Arqam Abdi Shakuwe, Bart Boehm, Ethan Moongo and Ryan Gelder 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	Riley and Mollie	4	Maxine and Beverly
1	Arqam and Crystal	5	Nurya and Nafhat
2	Anthony and Adrianna	6	Kamil and Kevin
3	Demi and Logan		

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

Godiva		Moorcroft		Herbert		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
26	104	20	87	28	121	23	107

Book Fair: The Book Fair this week has been a huge success and we hope that your children are enjoying reading their brand new books. Thank you very much for your support this week, as every book bought will contribute to us being able to add resources to our school library or classroom reading corners. In a future newsletter, we will be able to tell you how much we have earned.



Year 6 Residential: On Wednesday, Year 6 returned from their trip to Plas Dol y Moch in North Wales. They took part in a range of outdoor activities, which included mine adventuring, abseiling, mountain climbing, kayaking, rock pooling and map reading (they had to make their own way back to the centre following a route on a map). We were really impressed by the team spirit, determination and independence that the children displayed. They were responsible for organising themselves, making their own sandwiches and looking after their rooms as well as taking part in all of the activities. In years to come, the children will no doubt be telling their children about the trip. I'm sure we've got some parents who also went there when they were younger, who have fond memories of their visit. Thanks to all of the staff who gave up their time to accompany the children on the trip.

Times tables competition: On Wednesday 16th March, I took a very excited but nervous team to take part in the inter schools times tables competition at Potters Green. Ralph and Aboubakar represented lower KS2 and Adam and Nayrat represented upper KS2. They had won our Moat House competition to represent us. Both teams took on children from three other schools. Although we didn't win either of the trophies, all of the children performed really well and only got questions wrong when they involved thousands (eg 3600 divided by 60) or decimals (eg 0.8 x 0.5). Tricky questions! I was really proud of all of them.

Morning of Music: Year 3 enjoyed a morning of music on Thursday, along with two other Coventry schools: St. Patrick's and St. John Fisher. There was a Brazilian theme entitled "the Road to Rio" so the children sang carnival songs and wore brightly coloured decorative hats, which they designed themselves. Each school performed their own party piece and Moat House performed a samba, which involved dancing and playing percussion instruments. The children performed brilliantly and were perfect hosts to the other Coventry schools.

St. Patrick's Day themed lunch: On Thursday, the school kitchen held a St. Patrick's Day themed lunch so the dining hall was decorated with Irish flags and bunting whilst the kitchen staff wore their green and white hats with pride! Children were able to choose from Irish Stew, cheese and potato pie and sausage and mash, in order to celebrate this patriotic day.

Attendance Reward: Last term's attendance reward was for twelve children with amazing attendance to enjoy a movie and popcorn afternoon in school. One lucky child from every class was picked out of a hat and they watched the movie "Up" while enjoying various little treats including popcorn, squash and crisps. The lucky children selected were: Skye (1JS), Peter (1JG), Avram (2ET), Richard (2CB), Yagouba (3DG), Amida (3ZT), Aboubakar (4KG), Ti-Ann (4SG), William (5HT), Ayomide (5NL), Szymon (6JK) and Kia (6SH). All of the children enjoyed themselves and agreed that we should do it again! Watch this space.

Sports Relief: We have been very impressed with everyone's efforts to support Sports Relief today by dressing up in sportswear and walking one mile around the school playground or field. We would like to thank you all for your £1 contributions to this worthy cause and we will inform you of the amount that we have managed to raise in a future newsletter. We would like to give a special mention to Nathaniel and Candace from 4KG, as they have both managed to raise extra money by being sponsored for their walk!

Behaviour Notice: At Moat House, we are extremely proud of the way that our children usually work, play and get along with each other. There are always going to be times when children fall out with one another and this can involve unkind words or actions. When this happens, we sometimes find that children report to adults that they have been "bullied." Within classes, teachers regularly remind children about the difference between occasional incidences of unkind words or actions and bullying. Bullying is often defined as repeated, intended to hurt someone either physically or emotionally and can be aimed at certain groups eg: race, religion or gender (www.gov.uk). At Moat House, we pride ourselves on having a consistent approach for dealing with any inappropriate behaviour, and where there are reports of bullying, we take these very seriously indeed and have a robust policy in place. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

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

- Thursday 24th March - School visit to St. Chad's church
- Thursday 24th March - Easter break
- Monday 11th April - Children return to school
- Wednesday 20th April - St. George's Day themed lunch
- Monday 9th May - SATs week for Year 6
- Saturday 14th - Monday 16th May - Hordain football tournament (France)
- Thursday 19th May - Italian themed lunch
- Thursday 26th May - Half term break
- Friday 27th May - Teacher Training day (*children should not attend school*)
- Monday 6th June - Children return to school
- Weds 29th June- Friday 1st July - Year 5 Visit to Derbyshire
- Tuesday 19th July - Summer break
- Wednesday 20th July - Teacher Training day (*children should not attend school*)

*Yours sincerely,
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Headteacher*

Letters that were sent home this week:

- 16th March - Year 4 Wow Day (Year 4)
- 17th March - End of term events letter (whole school)

**Attendance
(for last week):**



Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 94%

The class with the best attendance last week was: 5NL with 100%

Attendance money won: £5.00 - 4KG, £2.50 - 5NL

