



# Weekly Newsletter

Thursday 24th March 2016

Dear Parents / Carers,

**1JG's Assembly:** We were treated to a lovely assembly by 1JG on Wednesday, which was all about superheroes. The children told us all about the superheroes in their lives from police officers, fire fighters and doctors to superheroes in stories that they have read and everyday superheroes like mums, dads, uncles, aunts and grandparents. The children all had very loud voices and they finished the assembly off with an Easter song. Thanks 1JG.

**Headteacher Awards:** Congratulations to Mollie Thomas, Tia-Li Wills, Adil Nkurunziza, Felicia Serge, Alanda Cowie and Ashleigh Haywood, 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' the first week after Easter are:

Year Group	Children	Year Group	Children
R	Aston and Keira	4	Blessing and Cieran
1	Arlie-Rose and Oliwier	5	Vanessa and Sophia
2	Letroy and Avram	6	Mariama and Kelvin
3	Demi and Connor		

**House Points:** Last week's winners were: **Godiva**. The half-termly winners are: **Herbert**.

Godiva		Moorcroft		Herbert		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
26	130	18	105	20	141	21	128

**Year 3 Trip:** Last Friday, Year 3 visited the Coventry Transport Museum, as well as the Herbert Art Gallery as part of their work on the One Giant Leap project. The purpose of the trip was to become inspired by the achievements of people from Coventry and beyond. Nevaeh was inspired by the story of Mary Ann Evans; "I was inspired because she had to pretend to be a man to get her books published. She had to persevere and make sacrifices to do what she loved to do. She wrote under the name of George Eliot." Amida was inspired by the works of art. She said "I love art and it was great to see so many artists' work." Filip said, "I was inspired by the fast cars because it made me think of the designing and engineering." Cameron said, "I was inspired by all the engines and the history of making engines."

**Year 6 Live Lesson:** Last Friday, some of our Year 6 children visited Birmingham Library to watch a BBC Live Lesson entitled 'Shakespeare: Unplugged'. The BBC, in partnership with the Royal Shakespeare Company, looked at scenes from various Shakespeare plays and focused on the characters and the language used. The show was presented by CBBC presenters Karim and Katie. Our children, along with children from three other schools, made up the live audience. They had to get involved by taking part in some drama, where they acted out part of King Henry V's famous speech. They also learnt some interesting facts including, the saying 'for goodness sake' is Shakespearean!

**Cross Country:** On Saturday, eleven of our keen cross country runners took part in relay races at Bablake playing fields. The children (Devaughan, William, Marcio, Mitchell, Jibril, Jaffer, Nurya, Nelly, Nafhat, Kiera, Maja and Mya) all did a fantastic job of representing Moat House and they all completed their race. A special mention must go to Jaffer, who showed excellent sportsmanship by congratulating a fellow runner as they both crossed the finishing line, along with Jibril who represented Moat House in the mixed relay team as well as the boys' team so was doubly tired at the end of the morning!

**Year 4 Wow Day:** On Monday, Year 4 enjoyed their WOW day. As their topic has been Europe and the Mediterranean, they celebrated by cooking Mediterranean food, sketching and learning a Mediterranean dance. At the end of the day, they got together for a Mediterranean feast, where they tried the food they had made and performed the dance. It was an enjoyable day and was a great way to conclude this term's topic.

**Year R Parents' Event:** On Tuesday, Reception opened their doors for a parents' Easter craft open afternoon. The children, along with their mums, dads and grandparents enjoyed a variety of activities including Easter bunny masks, iced bonnets and Easter boxes. This was all followed by an Easter egg hunt and hot cross buns. A very enjoyable afternoon was had by all.

**Year 5 Ice Hockey:** On Tuesday, 5NL visited the Skydome Arena to take part in an ice hockey session. Over the last term, the children have received coaching from the Coventry Blaze coaches and they got a chance to put their

skills into practise on the ice! They put on ice hockey equipment, learned the key skating skills and played different hockey games. The children were fantastic ambassadors for Moat House and really impressed the coaches!

**Governors' Awards:** On Wednesday a special ceremony was held to recognise children at Moat House, who have worked hard or shown excellent behaviour or attitude. The following children were awarded with a certificate and a voucher, in front of a very proud audience of parents, governors and staff, for their hard work and achievements.

YN: Leah and Arqam	Y1: Chloe and Arqam	Y3: Jakub and Chelsea	Y5: Ya-Awa and Jay
YR: Koytryna and Michael	Y2: Renikah and Tiago	Y4: Evie-Leigh and Eidlis	Y6: Marley and Charley

**Easter Competition:** We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone's amazing efforts in our Easter competition this year. Our younger children have made some fantastic Easter hats or bonnets and our Key Stage 2 children have shown brilliant imagination with their egg creations. We will be able to inform you of the winning entries in our next newsletter.

**St. Chad's Church Visit:** Today, the whole school visited St Chad's church, where they enjoyed the experience of seeing what a church looks like at this time of year. Reverend Andrew Fisher invited Mr Kelly to help him to engage everyone and inform them about the different events and traditions. The children all enjoyed the visit and they all enjoyed squash and biscuits before they returned to school.

**St. Chad's Easter Events:** St Chad's (on Hillmorton Road) has a range of Easter activities planned for this coming weekend including: Messy Church on Good Friday (25<sup>th</sup> March) at 3pm. This will consist of Easter arts and crafts for children (who must be accompanied by an adult) followed by a free meal. The Easter Service, at St. Chad's, will be held on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March; it starts at 10.30am (but children are invited for a free breakfast from 10am). The Easter service will be followed by a free Easter Egg hunt.

**School Site Safety:** Unfortunately one evening this week, I discovered some children from Moat House had managed to get onto the school roof. Not only is this extremely dangerous, it is also trespassing and is illegal. Please can you ensure that your children are supervised and enjoy a safe Easter break. Thank you.

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

- 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 (*children should not attend school*)
- 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 (*children should not attend school*)

*Yours sincerely,  
Alasdair Black  
Headteacher*

**Attendance  
(for last week):**



Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 96.1%

The class with the best attendance last week was: 4KG with 99.1%