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# Moorfield News

Responsibility Perseverance Compassion Thankfulness

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Class of the Week: RS/3B - 676 green strengths

Pupil of the Week : Ruby RS - 34 green strengths



## TRACKIT LIGHTS

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come towards the end of term there is still a very busy three days in prospect next week although a festive three days and a fun time awaits the children and staff. Christmas parties are taking place cross Monday and Tuesday and children can come to school in non-uniform on their party day:

Monday—Year 1, Year 5, Year 6

Tuesday—Kaleidoscope, Rec, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4,

One of our parents, Mrs Gasseling has kindly bought Christmas crackers for all the parties. I know she doesn't want me to mention her in this newsletter but I must say thank you as it is such a kind gesture. Thank you.

Wednesday is Christmas Jumper day (and Christmas dinner day) so we are allowing children to come to school in non-uniform on this day too, with the hope that they will be wearing a Christmas jumper or Christmas t-shirt! Please bring £1 to school on Wednesday with money raised being split between Save the Children and our school MHSA.

All children are making a 'Christmas Craft' gift before the end of term and we ask that you send in £2 to purchase the gift your child has made. This activity has been supported by the MHSA and covers the cost of the materials purchased.

The MHSA Christmas Raffle has been drawn and the winners are as follows:

£25 Liz Wood

£50 Ben Brooks

£100 Mrs G Sidhu

On to more serious matters and I do not in any way want to spoil the festive season. You will be aware of the Prime Ministers address to the nation on Wednesday with regard to the potentially high number of Omicron Covid-19 cases when we return to school in January. I will be meeting with my leadership team next week to discuss a contingency plan for the spring term with the aim being to cover every potential scenario for when we return. I hope to be able to update you before the end of term.

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes,

Paul Anderson  
Headteacher



Do you have any old games, jigsaws or beanbags that are in good condition that you could donate to school? We are looking to develop an indoor 'chill out' space in the Forest School building. If you can please drop them off at the main school office. Thank you in advance for your support.



Our superstar Year 5 swimmers took part in a Year 5 swimming gala at Grand Central on Wednesday. The girls team came a respectable 4th and the boys came an amazing 1st! Well done to Emily, Evie, Libby, Olivia, Max James, Alex and Daniel. There were individual wins for James, Max, Evie and both the relay teams.





20th-24th December

## What do we look for in a good friend?

John Lewis & Partners



### What's going on?

Since 2007, John Lewis have released Christmas adverts. Each year, viewers tune in to watch the story unfold and see what message it shares. This year's John Lewis advert is all about friendship. A young alien, Skye, lands on Earth and meets Nathan, who helps her experience Christmas for the first time. Nathan introduces his new friend to festive traditions such as eating mince pies, wearing a Christmas jumper and lighting up the tree before Skye has to leave and return home in her spaceship.

### Question:

What do you look for in a good friend?

Listen, think, share

- Look at the poster image and talk about what you can see. What do you think these people might be doing? Do you think they are friends? How can you tell? Explain that this is Skye, who is an alien, and Nathan and they both feature in this year's John Lewis Christmas advert. Skye's spaceship lands on Earth and she meets Nathan. They soon become friends.
- Watch the useful video, sharing the John Lewis advert, then look at the additional resource, which shows some of the moments from the advert. For each one, think about your friendships and if you have ever done any of these things for a friend. Has a friend ever done any of these things for you? How did it make you feel?
- Think about some of the things you like about your friends e.g. they are kind, make you laugh, can keep your secrets, help you, make you feel good, share things with you, play with you. Are all of your friends the same? Do you enjoy your friendships with different friends for different reasons? Do you think everyone looks for the same things in the friends they choose?
- Explain that sometimes friendships can be tricky and people make mistakes. Has a friend ever done anything that made you feel upset or have you ever upset one of your friends? What was it? How did it make you feel? Did you continue to be friends? Do you think being able to forgive someone is an important part of a friendship?
- Think about yourself. What do you think your friends like about you? What makes you a good friend to others? Are you similar to or different from your friends? Do you think a good friend has to have the same interests, enjoy the same things, behave in the same way as you?

### Reflection

There are many different reasons why we choose our friends. Our friendships are special and important and having a good friend can make us feel happy. It is important to remember we are also a friend to others and must try our best to be a good one too.

### Web Links

Useful video – John Lewis advert

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZTtgcODPA4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZTtgcODPA4)