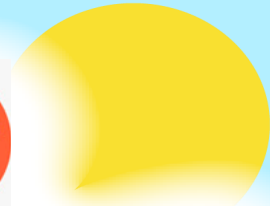
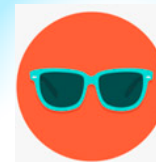




Moorside Newsletter



Sunshine, SATs and So Much More!

As we approach the final stretch of the school year, it's been an action-packed half-term filled with learning, achievements, and sunshine!

From SATs to sports, creative arts to class trips, our students have given their very best. A huge congratulations to all of our 'Pupil of the Week' and 'Reader of the Week' recipients, and to every child who has proudly represented Moorside in academic and sporting events. A special congratulations to the boys football team for winning the Holmes Cup in what can only be described as a thrilling final. We are especially proud of our fantastic Year 6 students who approached their SATs with focus, resilience and determination. Your efforts will no doubt shine through—well done!

A big thank you goes out to our hardworking staff and supportive families who have helped our pupils prepare so thoroughly. There's still a lot to look forward to this term, including our Summer Fair, Sports Week, and Transition Day. Keep checking MCAS, Class Dojo, and your child's class updates to stay informed and on top of permissions and payments.

Learning Highlights from Across the School

It has been a very productive half-term! Last week, Nursery were inspired by "supertato!" and were set the task of rescuing the superheroes who had been captured by an evil pea! Inspired by Little Turtle, Reception have painted their own representations of the ocean floor. Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for our Ocean themed 'Moorside Mingle' in Reception. Year 1 had some new classroom visitors and have been observing their life cycle over time for their science learning! I wonder which creature it was? Year 2 have also been budding scientists this half term, looking at seeds and what plants need in order to grow strong and healthy.



Year 3 have been busy learning about Pompeii, dissecting plants and challenging themselves in Maths with decimal place value. Year 4 have been focussing on oracy and developing their discussion and reasoning skills so that they can politely build on and challenge each other's ideas.

Year 5 have started a new topic in English and have been persuading tourists to visit India. They have worked in teams to research facts and have been planning and writing some incredible leaflets to share at the end of the week.

Year 6 have been revising hard and did a fantastic job during SATs week.

Phonics Screening, Multiplication Check Year 4 and Transition Day for New Classes

Please note upon our return the **Phonics Screening Check for Year 1** will take place (week beginning the 9th June). We only have one week to administer the screening check for all children so attendance during that week is crucial for Year 1 children as they will have to wait another year if they miss the screening.

Multiplication Check Year 4 – These will also take place in the first week after half term. Again, please ensure good attendance as they will not get the opportunity to re-sit these if they miss the window. **Transition Day— 3rd July**— We are excited to share and welcome some of the staff who have secured permanent contracts and will be joining our school in September. Transition Day is designed to help pupils and their families get acquainted with our school community, environment and routines. The day is an important step in ensuring a smooth and successful transition for your child into their new school year and to formally meet their new classroom teachers.



Class	Attendance
Nursery	95%
RC	92%
RB	96%
1F	95%
1L	95%
2C	96%
2R	95%
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3P	96%
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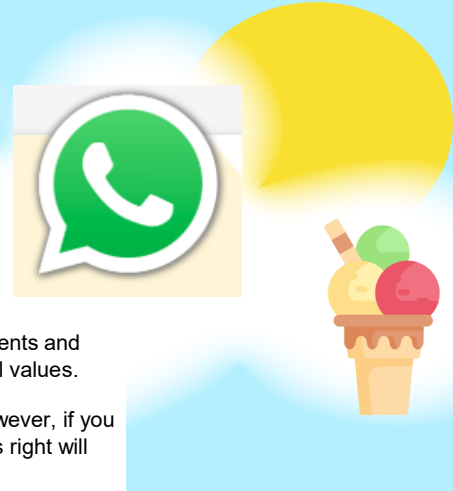
Overall School

Attendance is 95%





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Social Media

It has come to our attention that some pupils are using social media to be unkind to other pupils over social media platforms particularly WhatsApp. We understand this has included sharing inappropriate images, leaving unkind comments and using inappropriate language. This has caused problems both in and outside of school and is not in line with our school values.

WhatsApp has an age restriction of 13 years old and therefore is not suitable for primary children to be accessing. However, if you do allow your child to access social media, we kindly ask for you to be extra vigilant and to monitor their usage. What is right will vary from family to family but some strategies that are known to be successful include:

- Regular, unplanned checks of conversations/groups your children are involved in
- Monitor their phones for the apps that are downloaded (age appropriate)
- Make sure parental controls are enabled on phones and consoles
- Setting guidelines about what times they have access to devices
- Encourage them to share and discuss any issues/worries they may have openly with you
- Speaking to your child about the impact words online can have on individuals and speaking up when this occurs



We are kindly asking for your co-operation in helping us to deal with this. As a parent it is ultimately your responsibility to ensure your child is using their devices and any social media appropriately and safely. As always, school staff are continuing to work hard to support our families and reduce social media issues. Many of the issues linked to social media use happen outside of school, but this can have a major impact on the happiness and progress of our pupils. Thank you for your continued support.

Voice 21

At Moorside Primary Academy, with the Voice 21 programme, we are demonstrating the value and importance of oracy. We inspire our children to engage in high quality talk, whilst providing them with a high quality talk education and, in doing so, make society a fairer, more equitable place where all voices are valued and heard.

We believe that oracy is a powerful tool or learning; by teaching pupils to become more effective speakers and listeners. We empower them to better understand themselves, each other and the world around them.

It is also a route to social mobility, empowering all pupils to find their voice to succeed in school and life. Through a high quality oracy education, students learn through talk and to talk. This is when they develop and deepen their subject knowledge and understanding through talk in the classroom, which has been planned, designed, modelled, scaffolded and structured to enable them to learn the skills needed to talk effectively.

VE Day Celebrations

We had a special VE day themed lunchtime picnic in the sun to mark the 80th anniversary. We reflected on the bravery and sacrifice of those who served. The children celebrated by making flags, dancing and enjoying a special treat or two outside on the playground!

Finally, all the staff at Moorside would like to wish our families a relaxing and enjoyable half term break. We will see you all in two weeks on Monday 9th June 2025!



Moorside Curriculum

Nursery — Animals and Transport

Reception — Journeys

Year 1 — Chester Zoo and the Local Area

Year 2 — The Great Fire of London

Year 3 — Volcanoes and The Romans

Year 4 — The Mayans

Year 5 — Space

Year 6 — Evolution



Moorside Primary
Academy Presents..



Summer Fair



Sponge
the
Teacher!

Thursday,
17th July

3:45 PM – 5:15 PM