



# MOORTHORPE NEWS - MARCH 2025

Welcome to our March newsletter. We are already over halfway through the academic year and have achieved so much already! Just before half term we had another successful sports tournament with year 6 winning and year 4 just missing first place by one point. Year 2 also performed well. This week we have been put forward for a visit from Councillor Margaret Isherwood, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People at Wakefield Council who wanted to look around a 'strong school.'

## **BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS!**

Thank you so much for coming to the book fair - thanks to your generosity and enthusiasm, we have been able to receive an ENORMOUS amount of books worth almost £700. These will be coming into school reading areas and our library. A love of reading gives a child a head-start on expanding their vocabulary, improving comprehension skills and equally important allows them to relax, de-stress and escape into other worlds. Unlike online games it can help them sleep too!

World Book Day is fast approaching on 6<sup>th</sup> March – your children may dress up as a book character or word. There are lots of ideas online that do not need to cost much.

## **UNIFORM**

**Ties** – these should be worn by all pupils from Y1 to Y6. These are particularly important now we have introduced a new reward system. This involves recognising those children showing qualities such as being an 'expectation expert,' 'independent icon' or 'emotion regulator' initially with stickers but as they continue to show this quality, they are presented with a badge to wear on their tie – hopefully as they move through school, they will collect the set!

Pre-loved uniform will be available at our parents evening in a couple of weeks but if you need any in the meantime please ask at the office. Before you think about buying summer dresses please check our rails – we have quite a few! Donations always welcome, especially costumes for World Book Day.

## **PARENTS EVENING**

This will be on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024 from 3.30-7pm. Please do book these home/school appointments through Parentmail as they are so important to ensure we work together to support you child(ren) to be happy, successful learners. Any issues please phone the school office and Miss Hickes will book you on. If you are unable to make that evening, speak to the class teacher and they will do their best to arrange another time. We will also be asking you to complete a parent survey about how active your child is.

## **RED NOSE DAY**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March is Red Nose Day and this year is the 40th anniversary so we will be doing lots of fun activities in school to help fundraise for this event. Please wear red!

Best wishes Deborah Birdsall

THE DESIGNATED CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER AND SENIOR PERSON FOR SAFEGUARDING IS MRS DEBORAH BIRDSALL, THE DEPUTY CHILD PROTECTION OFFICERS ARE MRS JANET HARDY AND MRS STEPHANIE FIELD



## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### **March 2025**

W/C Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Y5 Bikeability (bikes and helmets provided for those who do not have them)

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> – World Book Day (Dress up)

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> – 9-10am Year 3 INSPIRE – parents invited**

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Individual and family photos day

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Parents Evening 3.30-7pm

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> – 9-10am Year 2 INSPIRE – parents invited**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> – Red Nose Day – 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary (Wear red!)

### **April 2025**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> – 2pm Parent/carer coffee afternoon – Emma Jane and Rachel from the Hub invited to offer any support needed.

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Y6 music concert (Mrs Doyle's/Mrs Myers class only) – parents/carers invited

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - School closes at 3.10pm for Easter holiday**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – school reopens**

### **May 2025**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> – Class photos - Year 6 only?

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Bank holiday SCHOOL CLOSED**

Year 6 SATs Week – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> - 9-10am Year 1 INSPIRE – parents invited**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> – 2-3pm Reception class INSPIRE – parents invited**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> - School closes at 3.10pm for Whitsun holiday**

### **June 2025**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> – INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – school reopens**

Year 4 Multiplication Check – Week commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Year 1 Phonics screening – Week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> June

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> – Y4 trip to Production Park, South Kirkby**

w/c Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – National Sports Week – come in PE kit every day

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> - SPORTS DAY Y1-Y6

### **July 2025**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> - Foundation stage sports morning (nursery and reception)

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Y6 leavers concert (after school – details to follow)

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – Nursery graduation

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Prom (after school details to follow)

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Leavers assembly, rewards assembly

**Close for the summer break – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 3.10pm.**

**Inset Days – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – SCHOOL CLOSED**