



MOORTHORPE NEWS - NOV 2024

I hope you've all had a lovely half term holiday and the pupils are refreshed and ready for the next couple of months – it's a busy half term and a late break up!

Congratulations to Mrs Field who had a very busy half term and completed the New York marathon- a great achievement indeed! She is hoping to inspire the next generation of runners and we continue to promote the Junior Park Run event at Frickley with an assembly the first week back.

Parents/carers in school

Parents evening

It was wonderful to see so many of you at parents evening and listen to you discussing how your child(ren) is/are settling into their new classes and how we can support them together to reach their potential. If you were not able to make it, please get in touch with your child's class teacher to arrange an alternate appointment.

Coffee morning

We are re-starting our coffee mornings. Our first coffee morning will be Thurs 14th Nov at 8.50am. Mrs Hardy and I hope to see you there!

Remembrance

Poppies are on sale at school – please send in your donations. We will be having a school assembly on 11th Nov at 11am, plus myself and my pupil leadership team will be paying our respects at the South Kirkby event at the same time.

Staffing

Mrs Storey, our new part-time year 3 teacher is having an operation and will be off work until after Christmas. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Ann, our school crossing patrol has handed in her notice and her last working day is Friday 15th November. I am unable to give you any further details about any new crossing patrol so please be aware you and your children will need to take extra care in the meantime.

Before school

Please ensure your children (Nursery to Y4) are fully supervised before school. Myself and Mrs Hardy are out to welcome families, offer bagels and for safeguarding reasons. Please do not allow your children to go on the gym equipment unsupervised, climb on the steps/ railings or go in the reading sheds. Y5 and 6 pupils who come alone should behave accordingly. Please notify staff of any concerns.

Finally please ensure your children do not go on the field before school. It is very muddy at this time of year and we have had new carpets laid over half term. We thank you for your support.

School dinners

For those who order dinners at home, please do this with your child wherever possible. If a pupil tells us in the hall they do not like/want the dinner, we cannot just give them an alternative. Firstly, we have to send them to the office for staff to phone home and get permission for this, which means they can get upset and not eat with their friends but

also there may not be enough of the alternative choice. Thank you for your support.

Contact details

It is essential that school has up to date contact details including phone numbers and email addresses. This will ensure that you are able to receive all forms of communication and we are able to contact you in case of emergencies. Safeguarding requirements state that we have **at least two** sets of contact details. Please phone school as required.

We still have lots of 'pre-loved' uniform available and coats, shoes – pop into the office or see Mrs Hardy on the playground about this. Also, if you have found any school reading books at home, please send them in.

There's so much going on at Moorthorpe Primary – see you soon!
Mrs Deborah Birdsall, Headteacher

DATES FOR THE DIARY

(New dates in red)

November 2024

Monday 11th - Remembrance assembly 11am

Monday 11th – Friday 15th – Anti-Bullying Week

Tuesday 12th – Y5 INSPIRE session 9-10am – parents/carers come and join in a lesson!

Wed 13th – FEET sessions begin for new nursery starters

Wed 13th – Flu immunisations for pupils who missed the previous session.

Wed 20th – Y6 INSPIRE session 9-10am – parents/carers come and join in a lesson!

Fri 15th - Children in Need - donations please. Non uniform/spotty clothing

Week beginning Monday 25th - Assessment week (whole school)

December 2024

Monday 2nd – Making xmas decorations in school (Parents/carers in pm)

Friday 6th – Christmas jumper day (non-uniform) and xmas Fayre (school closes at 1.15pm)

Wednesday 11th – Friday 13th - Y6 go to Robinwood

Wednesday 11th - EYFS xmas concert am (Parents/carers)

Wednesday 11th – Ukuleles concert for Y5 at 11.30 (Parents/carers)

Wednesday 11th – Christmas dinner

Monday 16th – KS1 xmas concert pm (Parents/carers)

Tuesday 17th – KS1 xmas concert am (Parents/carers)

Tuesday 17th – KS2 xmas concert pm (Parents/carers)

Wednesday 18th - KS2 xmas concert am and pm (Parents/carers)

Thursday 19th – Xmas party day (party clothes/ non uniform)

Friday 20th – Xmas eve in school (PJs, hot choc, cookies and a film plus a visit from Santa)

Friday 20th **Break up for xmas to return Mon 6th Jan 2025**