

MOSSY LEA MESSENGER

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Good morning everyone! What a great week it's been at Mossy Lea. The opening of the new infant outdoor area was great. Rosie Cooper opened it for us, and the kids, Pingawings, Parents and Governors all turned up. School was buzzing. Antonella and Lyndsey really did do us proud. If you haven't yet seen it do call in when you're passing—I'm fairly certain you love it! I must pass on massive thanks to Leyland Garden Centre for their "treemendous" donations to the infant garden. IN an era, perhaps, where far too many people feel it much easier to take than to give it's so refreshing to be in receipt of freebies.... Not just given to school, but given to school with joy, and willingly. So, thank you very much indeed Leyland Garden Centre.

There's a few things going on during the run up to Christmas.... I think they're on the school app, which I hope you've downloaded, but if not I'll pop them on the newsletter for your convenience! I also put on the app permission for our trip to Roby Mill on Monday, but no ones given us permission! I'm beginning to suspect your not an internet friendly lot! I've attached a paper permission slip to this newsletter—please fill it in then we can go to Roby for a cracking Christmas Day on Monday. Remember on Monday your child will either need a packed lunch from home, or they will be having a school packed lunch, as we will be having our lunch at Roby. The afternoon sounds ace.... I love our links with Roby. There'll be a big red dressed visitor there, and one or two of the reindeer who will be setting off on their world tour very soon. I should be lovely. A real traditional kid Christmas experience.

What a brilliant effort from you all over children in need.... We raised £83.83, which for a village school is tremendous! Well done everyone!

Thanks also for your donations towards the Christmas Fair at Tunley—you really have been most generous. We will be setting up the fair tonight, and the Fair starts tomorrow at 11, finishing at 1pm. I hope to see you there. We have some decent prizes to win on our spin the wheel stall!

One or 2 of you have been asking me what time do you finish on the last day of term. Hmm.... I have problems here. It is so very wrong of schools to finish early on the last day of term. It send out appalling signals about how much we value education. Plus, I can't go on about school attendance, and the importance of punctuality (lessons start at 9.00am by the way) if I was then to say to we're finishing early on the last day of term. According, henceforth, school will operate normal hours at the end of every term.... With clubs running as usual.

Have a lovely weekend everyone, I'll see you Saturday!

Dates for diary! Have you down loaded the APP, or the website calendar.... All dates are now posted to that! IF you have any problems with the APP see either myself or Antonella... Loads of Christmas Dates are now posted on there. For those of you not APP friendly.... Here they are.

Date	Event	Date	Event
9.12.19	The Lancashire library Van is in school. Antonella will be changing Library Books for the school	19.12.19	I believe the PTFA are taking over organising the Christmas Singalong for the community. The singalong starts at 2.00pm, in school. All welcome.
13.12.19	Christmas Jumper Day, Party Day and Christmas Lunch.	6.1.20	The 1st school event of 2020. A pantomime at St George's.... You will go to the ball!
17.12.19	Christmas Nativity. 9.15am at Tunley Church Hall. Mince Pies afterwards anyone?	6.1.20—10.1.20	The kids will be at St George's this week, with your permission. There's an arts/ music week going on there... and it fit's with our topic. It will be great fun, and tremendous education. More details next week.

Admissions—come and see the school in action!

If you have a child who should start school in September 2020 please ensure that you have read the admissions process on the website at school, book an appointment and come and see us! We won't be holding "open days" as such. Any fool can put on a show.... choosing a school is a massive decision; I want you to meet me, and see our school. Not meet a polished, scripted me and a show. Come and see. We're great. It's time to come back to Mossy Lea.

Couple of Notices from Tunley. The little church with the massive heart....

And a great supporter of the school.

Their Christmas Fair, which we're supporting, is on Saturday 30th November, from 11.00am until 1pm in the Church Hall. There'll be loads of festive stalls, and competitions, of which there are some great prizes!

The Christmas Concert on Friday 13th December sounds a great way to start the Christmas Festivities. It starts at 7.30pm, in Tunley Church Hall. Entertainment is to be provided by Coppull and Standish Brass Band. You're all invited. Tickets priced just £8.00, and this includes a festive glass of mulled wine, and a mine pie! For more information on the fair contact 01257463407, or 01257 425330, or 01257 426252

During December, we will be completing a reverse Advent Calendar. So, rather than taking something out of a calendar we will be putting something in. So please, for each day, whilst we're in school in December, can you send in something we can box up, and take to the food bank in Chorley. Christmas really does polarise emotions.... It can be a very happy, lovely romantic time, or it can be, in truth and bluntly, awful. So let's try and add a little colour into someone's Christmas who may not be having the greatest of times.... Anything, food wise, just send it in please. An we'll food bank it.

Many thanks.

Gentle reminders....

I'm massively aware of the pressures of time and money on all families. Accordingly, something I introduces while back at St George's is to stop the very kind offering of gifts to teachers at Christmas, and end of term. Now, I suppose I don't know if that's a tradition or not here at Mossy, but if it is can we stop it please! Accordingly, I respectfully ask, as we once again approach the excitement of the end of Christmas, we have decided to request, if you don't mind, that we do not receive gifts from the children. Instead, please, if you think it is appropriate, just call into school and express your thanks verbally, or, in writing! It means so much to us, and we end term with great warm glow!

Christmas Dinner at School

AS you will know from the website, and app, it's Christmas Party day here at Mossy on 13th December. All children are invited to have a Christmas Meal, which will be prepared at St George's and brought across. All the information is on the website, as is a permission tick if you want your child to have a Christmas dinner! (The permission button doesn't appear to be working yet.... Stand by—maybe until next week)

If you want your child to have a Christmas dinner (why wouldn't you) give permission via the website, when's its working, and send in your £2.50 to Gill in the office!

PLEASE EITHER RETURN THIS TO SCOOLO ON MONDAY OR COMPLETE THE PERMISSION BOX ON THE APP.

I give permission for my child _____ to go to Roby Mill on Monday 2nd December.

Signed _____

- Your child will either have a school packed lunch or a packed lunch from home for lunch.
- They will be back at Mossy for normal pick up, or club.
- Normal School uniform to be worn.