

25<sup>th</sup> April 2025

## MOORSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Friends,

We have loved having everyone back in school and hearing all about their holidays! It sounds like everyone has been busy with trips on the Ripon Wheel, days out at the beach or lots of Easter Egg hunts....lots of fun has been had and the children have come back into school ready and raring to go!

We have a History focus through our topics this term across the school! The children will be launched into their learning over the coming week, with hands on experiences to create curiosity and develop lines of enquiry through their questions about the different subject areas....

On Thursday, Years 1 and 2 became immersed in their new History topic - The Wright Brothers and their first aeroplane flight- with a carousel of practical activities.

The children located Ohio, the birthplace of the Wright brothers, on Google Maps and discovered facts about where the Wright brothers lived in America. They also created a giant timeline including the first aeroplanes drawn in 1490, the first flight in 1903, all the way to the present-day passenger planes we see in the air today - they even looked at the future of solar-powered aeroplanes! The most exciting part of the launch was making and flying paper aeroplanes to see whose "aeroplane invention" could travel the furthest! They were very impressed with how well they flew.



Keep your eyes peeled for learning letters, homework challenges and knowledge mats, so that you can talk to your child(ren) about their learning. We will continue to update our Facebook page so that you can see what they are up to too!

### Sun Cream, Sun Hats and Water Bottles



It is of course the Summer term but WHO KNOWS what the weather is going to do from one minute to the next! I keep hearing reports that it is going to be warmer than Spain next week, but I will believe it when we feel it!! Please could you ensure that your child has a NAMED water bottle in school, a sun hat and that you put sun cream on them in the morning to keep their skin protected. If you would like them to put sun

cream on before going out for lunch, please send a named bottle of lotion into school and we will store it in the cupboard so that they can access it at an appropriate time. We do our best to ensure that children are shaded from the sun at peak times in very hot weather and make alternative arrangements for breaktimes as required.

### Footwear

Please do not send your child to school in sandals. They need to be wearing black school shoes or smart black trainers in school unless it is a PE day or Forest School when they need trainers or wellies.

## Named Clothing

The children will be playing on the field as much as possible – this is where children remove their jumpers to make rounders posts or football goals!! Please could you ensure that all their clothing is named so that we are not playing 'guess who?' at the end of breaktimes when they forget to collect items themselves. Many thanks.

## VE Day

Our VE Day celebrations will be happening on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May. Our children will be singing wartime songs, learning about rationing, fashion and 'make do and mend', as well as learning dances from 1945, games and writing their 'end of the war' radio broadcasts. If you have any red, white and blue bunting that you could lend us (named) for that day then we will ensure that it is returned to you. We really appreciate your support with this. The children can wear appropriate costumes from the 1940s or red, white and blue party clothes on that day. Please see our street party menu at the end of this newsletter. The deadline for bookings is Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025.



## Attendance

Attendance for our first week back at school has been 95.85%. WELL DONE everyone.... especially to Year 5 for a super start to the term with 99.4%. Look at all that **GREEN!!!**



w/c	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
21/04/25	96.45%	99.16%	95.65%	92.9%	98.03%	99.4%	96.97%

## Parent Consultations and Reports

Our Parent consultations begin on Monday....if you have not made an appointment and would like one, please ask your child's class teacher. We will also be sending children's reports out to reflect their Spring term assessments on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. The content of the reports will be discussed within consultation meetings.

## Buddies Breakfast and After School Club

Our Buddies Breakfast and After School Club is getting very busy, which is fantastic, but we must have an up-to-date booking form **each month or weekly IN ADVANCE**. Bookings will not be assumed and carried forward even if children have been attending for a while. Also, any sessions that are booked and children do not attend or 24 hours notice has not been given to cancel the place, will still be charged for (unless it is due to illness). Thank you.

## Sports Week

Please note that our Sports week is week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> June, with our Sports Day being on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June this year. We are trying to spread out our traditional end of term events as it does get very busy in the build up to the end of the academic year....especially for our Year 6 children who are getting ready for secondary school with transition days etc.



We will also be having an end of term 'Strawberry Festival on the Field' as a school community end of year celebration, in place of our usual Strawberry Fair. This will take place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July from 2pm onwards. We hope that all our families will be able to join us so please keep this date free and there will be more information to follow after half term.

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend ahead. I know that our staff are looking forward to welcoming you to parent consultations next week.

With very best wishes,

**Mrs Rowett**  
Headteacher

### Diary Dates:

w/c 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Parent Evening Consultations
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	School Closed – May Day Bank Holiday
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	VE Day Celebrations
w/c 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Y6 SATs Week
w/c 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Walk to School Week
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Break-up for Half Term Holidays
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025	School Closed – Staff Training Day
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	School Re-opens after Half Term Holidays
w/c 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	Year 4 Multiplication Check
w/c 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	KS1 Phonics Screening Assessments
w/c 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Sports Week
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Y6 Trip to London
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Sports Day (more details to follow)
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2025	Break-up for Summer Holidays (at 3pm)



### MOORSIDE'S VE DAY 80<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

### STREET PARTY LUNCH MENU

Open Sandwiches – Ham, Cheese or Tuna



Sausage Rolls or Cheese Twists (v)



Dig for Victory Veg sticks



Crisps (provided by FOMS)



Commemorative VE day celebration cake

