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Moreland Primary School

Reaching higher than I dreamed, becoming the person that I want to be,
doing the best I can for the world and for me.

1st December 2017

Executive head teacher news:

Thank you:

Thank you again for contributing all the lovely food for International afternoon. Thank you also for supporting the Children in Need appeal. We raised £229.84 and had a lovely day.

It was great to see so many of you attend parent's evening. If you were unable to attend you are still welcome to make an appointment with your child's teacher between now and the end of term.

Catch up:

We joined in with National anti-bullying week in November. We are consistently very watchful of bullying not just for this week of the year. It is during anti bullying week that we reflect upon what bullying actually means and we do a lot of work with children about what to do if you think you are being bullied. We encourage children to tell their parent at home but also to tell us at school and to tell us if they think or they know that another child is being bullied. Cases of bullying are rare but children being children do sometimes push the boundaries- we are well aware of this.

As you all know, Mo sadly left us recently to travel to Nigeria. We are grateful to Dave Bull who is temporarily doing some of Mo's work. We will be advertising soon for a Children and Families Support Worker who will hopefully start in January. It will be difficult to replace our Mo but we do need someone well skilled and experienced who can work well with children and families.

Good news:

There has been a lot of building work going on in the vicinity of the school for some years now. I applied to the council earlier this year for Section 106 funding which organisations that are responsible for individual projects have to pay- a compensation for all the dust, noise and inconvenience. I know from building our new school that the council has this money so I asked for:

£40,000 towards the Children's Centre play garden on the rooftop terrace.

£ 112,000 towards resources and improvements to the school outside playgrounds as we ran out of funding when we moved into the new school.

I am really pleased to tell you that the council have agreed to pay for these improvements! We will look at options in January and involve the children, staff, PTA and governors. I am really grateful to Islington Council for their continued support of the school and the Children's Centre.

I will also share with you what the governors have planned to spend the income we are receiving from COLPAI upstairs.

*Please have a look at what's on between now and the end of term, including the **Christmas Fair next Friday**. As always I am sure it will be a very enjoyable month. I'll write again before we break up at 2pm on Thursday 21st December.*

Have a lovely weekend.

Ann Dwulit

Attendance & Punctuality



Dear parents/carers,

Please make sure your child attends school every day. See below the attendance figures we ask parents to aim for, if you have any problems regarding attendance or punctuality please come and see us. Please remember the school does not authorise any leave in term time.

All holidays should be taken in the school holidays.


The attendance figures below are Government guidelines that we have to follow:




Monthly Prize Draw
 If your child's attendance is above 97% They will be entered into a prize draw. This will take place the first Friday of the month.
 They could win a voucher to spend in a High St. store.




Attendance for November 2017

CLASS	ATTENDANCE	
Rec - Pear	93%	
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Year 1	93%	
Year 2	97%	
Year 3	98%	
Year 4	93%	
Year 5	97%	
Year 6	97%	

 PUNCTUALITY FOR NOVEMBER
 Year 5 are the winners with 1 late this month.
WELL DONE!

We have quite a few items in the lost Property box. If your child has a missing sweatshirt, bag or jacket please come and have a look.



Please make sure your child's name is on all their belongings.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WHAT IS HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL OR TO VIEW OTHER NEWSLETTERS.
 PLEASE VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE
www.moreland-islington.co.uk



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Head of School Notice Board-important dates

***Remember to check this board as we may add or cancel certain events.**

You can also check our website for up to date information!

DECEMBER	
Fri 8th	Christmas fair - 3.30 - 5.30pm Please come along
Tues 12th	Christmas Panto Trip Years 1 to 6
Thurs 14th	Parents read with your child in class 9.05-9.30am Nativity 2pm - Year 3 supported by KS1 Early Years will be singing Xmas songs - Parents welcome
Fri 15th	Nativity 10am - Year 3 supported by KS1 Early Years will be singing Xmas songs - Parents welcome
Tues 19th	Class Parties/Disco - after lunch
Wed 20th	Childrens Xmas lunch - Children can where a Xmas jumper menu attached
Thurs 21st	Prize giving all parents welcome 9.15am Break up for xmas holidays 2pm collection NO PLAYCENTRE
JANUARY 2018	
Wed 3rd	Inset Day school closed
Thurs 4th	Children return to school
Mon 15th	Deadline to submit applications for Reception class - Sept 2018



Christmas Fair - Friday 8th December from 3.30pm-5.30pm

We are looking for donations for our Christmas Fair.

If you have any unwanted gifts, or maybe some chocolates or biscuits or food items we can put in our hamper we would be very grateful. We are also looking for any volunteers to help us set up and run the stalls on the day. Please see Catherine Lawrence or let the school office know if you would like to be involved. We would also like to sell home-made food so any donations would be appreciated.

Please come along on the day, there will be lots of stalls and also Santa's grotto with a very special visitor!



Some lovely things have been happening in our class recently.....

Nursery	In Nursery this term we have been reading books about our topic area 'Into the woods'. We have also started introducing shapes and numbers; and have had a big push on number recognition. We are also learning songs about autumn and for the nativity play.
Reception	In Reception this month we have continued our topic 'Into the Woods'. We have read 'Peace at Last', 'The Gruffalo' and 'The Gruffalo's Child' and have done lots of writing. We have also enjoyed exploring ice, looking at seasonal vegetables and planting the seeds we found in the vegetables.
Year 1	In Literacy and Topic, Maple class have been learning about Mary Anning, an English woman in the 1800s who discovered fossils. The children have written diaries as Mary Anning describing what she has done in her life. In maths, Maple class are practicing adding numbers up to 10. We are using our number bonds, cubes and pictures to help us work the problems out. In science we have been learning about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. We have looked at what different animals eat and how to group them.
Year 2	In Literacy we have been finishing off our instructions for the game that we have designed and will be making in Topic. Next week we are starting our new topic on Space, in which we will be writing a great description and recount. In Maths we are adding and subtracting three digit numbers and we need to regroup the ones and the tens.
Year 3	So far this term we have been learning all about non chronological reports. We have written our own reports about different animals. In science we have been looking at different types of rocks and their uses. In maths we have been learning strategies for quick multiplication which have helped us with our times tables and have finished our work on addition and moved on to subtraction with regrouping.
Year 4	This term, we have been learning about different types of fractions. In Literacy, we read and perform Roald Dahl's book Billy and the Minpins and we cannot wait to write our own version. In Science, we are learning about mass and the tiny particles that make up matter.
Year 5	We have been busy in maths with comparing different fractions. We also had a very interesting visit to City University and subtracted DNA from a strawberry. Year 5 have also been learning about the Persian wars.
Year 6	In literacy, we wrote an autobiography of Benjamin Zephaniah for Black History Month. For maths, we have learned how to find a percentage of a number and how to covert fractions in to percentages. In science, we have started a new topic: living things and their habitats. We have already learned how to classify animals according to their similarities and differences.



**CHILDREN IN
NEED**

Thanks to your donations and the cake sale we managed to raise £229.84!

On Monday your child will bring home an information leaflet offering support programmes for your child.

If you are interested fill out the form and return to the school. If you are not interested still fill out the form and return to the school as we receive a donation to the school for every form we send back.

Thank You

Work hard, Follow your dreams and you can achieve your dream job

Dreamcatcher assemblies are a wonderful opportunity to meet people doing interesting things in the world beyond school. This year already we've been inspired by two Dreamcatchers in different walks of life.

Dreamcatcher at Moreland, Tuesday 7 November 2017

Dr Miny Walker - Radiologist

"I'm a doctor. My speciality is looking inside people to see what's wrong with them. So for instance if you hurt your wrist, I have lots of clever tools to look inside and see if there's a broken bone.

"Every day at work I learn something, and I meet all sorts of interesting people. To become a doctor you have to work hard at school, stay on to do A-levels, and then study for 4-5 years at university. It does take a long time, but it's a really good job, exciting and worthwhile. At school I wanted to be a dancer or a photographer. In a way I suppose I am a photographer, making pictures of what's inside people. My grandfather said, 'That's no job for a woman.' That really inspired me to do it, in spite of what he thought!"

One of the children asked what Dr Miny does not like about her job.

"That's such a good question! Your teachers would probably say this too: there is a lot of work but not enough time to get everything done. I try my best, but there is not enough of me."

"The advice I'd give you is what I tell my own children: do what you love and do it well, and you'll end up where you want to be."



After assembly Dr Miny visited Nursery and Reception to show them the bones inside your hand, and a baby in a mummy's 'tummy', that is her womb.



Scot's Guards visit - Tuesday 21st November

We were lucky enough to have two soldiers from the Scot's Guards come in and talk to us about their job. They are the people that wear the red coats and stand outside Buckingham Palace. They said "you should work hard and keep your education going as long as possible."

Could YOU be our next Dreamcatcher?

Are YOU in a job or on a course that might intrigue and inspire our children? We would love you to come in on a Tuesday or Thursday morning to answer children's questions about what you love doing and how you got to where you are. If you or anyone you know could help shape children's dreams, please tell your child's teacher or contact Harriet Goodman (hgoodman@st-lukes.islington.sch.uk).

Reception Class Applications - Dates and deadlines

You can apply from 1 September 2017, and you must apply by the deadline, 15 January 2018. We recommend you apply by 12 January 2018, just in case there are any problems with getting online or logging into the site. If you need help applying please come to the office and speak to Danielle

15 January 2018 this is your deadline to submit your application

16 April 2018: you'll get an offer by email in the evening

30 April 2018: this is your deadline to accept (or turn down) your school place

16 May 2018: you must send in any appeals by this date. You can appeal even if you've accepted the school place offered.

Late applications

If you apply after 15 January 2018 then your application will be marked as late. This means that it will not be considered until admissions have allocated school places for all applications received on time. This could reduce your chances of getting a place at the school you want.

If there are exceptional reasons why it was not possible to make your application by the deadline, please email admissions at admissions@islington.gov.uk. Make sure to attach any letters or other documents that help explain and support your reason.

October	<u>POWER OF THE LETTER</u> 	<u>HEADTEACHERS AWARD</u> 	<u>STAR OF THE WEEK</u> 
NURSERY – WILLOW NURSERY - LILAC			Iraya, Kavani, Saira, Kaitlyn Hadjer, Alexia, Taaliah
RECEPTION – BEECH	Skylar Rose		Ruqaya, Amaanur
RECEPTION – PEAR	Maya	Jake	Melvina, Rasha, Amelia- Rae, Ava
YEAR 1			Kamari, Chase, Jessie
YEAR 2	Maryama	Ethan	Yousef, Malikah, Azra, Lee Paris
YEAR 3		Tamarie	Maria, Frankie, Almira, Taseen
YEAR 4		Scarlett	Huda, Sarah, Tavante, Maryam
YEAR 5		Macheaven	Liyanna, Itamara, Freddie, Arbri
YEAR 6		Shada	Fajer, Christopher, Deusa, Ekin

Bikes and Scooters

If your child comes to school on their bike or scooter please make sure they have their name on them. We cannot take responsibility for any missing or lost property, they are left at your own risk.



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30 hours free childcare for 3 and 4 year olds

If you are working you could get 30 hours free childcare a week for 3 and 4 year olds.



Don't miss out! Go to: www.islington.gov.uk/30hours



Contact: Family Information Service
020 7527 5959

Moreland Christmas Fair

Friday 8th December
at 3.30-5.30pm



with guest performer
Harriet and the singalong band

Santa's grotto



all donations of food and prizes



welcome



Henna



Christmas stalls

Lucky dip



All Moreland Primary School
and Children's Centre families welcome.

Please enter through

Children's Centre entrance in Gard Street

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2017
12-4 pm

St Luke's Community Centre
90 Central Street, London EC1V 8AJ

Live Music, Balloon Modeling
Café and Games

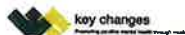
Make your own Gifts and Decorations

Tasty Treats

Meet Santa in his Grotto

Everybody Welcome!!!!

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CENTRE

Christmas Lunch Wednesday 20th December

Roast Turkey Breast
Chicken Chipolata Sausage,
Sage & Onion Stuffing,
Gravy & Cranberry Sauce
or
Baked Butternut Squash

Roast Potatoes,
Seasonable Vegetables

Dessert
Gingerbread or
Mincemeat Pie
& Cream or Custard
Fresh Fruit Platter



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