



“The World for our Children, our Children for the World”

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Family Newsletter

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Dear Families

Yesterday's Spring Concert was a wonderful celebration of the rich musical life of the school. Pupils from recorder club, choir and our instrumentalists performed with confidence and pride, showcasing the progress they have made through regular practice and the many performance opportunities they enjoy.

It was a delight to see children of all ages supporting one another and growing in confidence as musicians.

Thank you to our audience for being so encouraging and supportive – it was a special event that truly celebrated hard work, commitment and a shared love of music.

If you are interested in signing your child up for music lessons, our wonderful Oxfordshire Music Service teachers visit every week. Currently we offer lessons across a variety of instruments. [Parents can sign up on the Music Service website here.](#)



Mrs Sanchez

Art exhibition, next Friday 13th February, 2.30pm

This week the children have been working on their 'Take One' Art projects and the school is buzzing with creativity and enjoyment!

Children study a key work of art every year as part of South Moreton's **supercurricular layer**, where opportunities and learning in all subjects go above and beyond National Curriculum expectations. The aim of our 'Take One' projects is that when children leave South Moreton, they have a rich historical, cultural and creative knowledge of 7 key works of art, and 7 musical works, enhancing their understanding of creative arts and developing their artistic expression.

Parents are invited to **collect their children from their classroom at 2.30pm next Friday** and take them to the Sports Hall to see their amazing artistic work showcased within the exhibition.

We regret that the exhibition will not be open after school as staff need to clear away before the half term break.

Parent Teacher Appointments, Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th March

Teachers are looking forward to meeting you to discuss your child's progress. Please see the letter emailed out this week with the link to request appointment preferences - **the form closes at 9am on Monday**. We will send out finalised timings by the end of next week.

Spring Cleaning plea from Swallows

As we move closer to Spring you may well be thinking of having a Spring clean! If you happen to come across any old board games such Connect 4, Guess Who, Pop up Pirate or Rubiks cube (or similar) that you no longer need we would love to have them in school. We would use them to help build the children's problem solving, independence, resilience and social skills.

Moki Band fun!

Children at South Moreton continue to be active and busy every day, making the most of our beautiful site indoors and outdoors!

Our School total steps this week is 808,413 - equivalent to walking from South Moreton to Edinburgh!

House averages:

Ravenclaw - 7300 Gryffindor - 7298 Hufflepuff - 6763 Slytherin - 6067

Class averages:

Wrens - 10436 Swallows - 7263 Puffins - 6841 Herons - 6767 Red Kites - 5885

**MOKI
BANDS**



READING NIGHTS AT SOUTH MORETON

We don't set homework at South Moreton
(research says it's not impactful for Primary pupils, and
parents told us they agree)

BUT - we do expect children to read at home.

1 night of Reading = 1 "Reading Night"

15 minutes R / KS1, 20 mins KS2

Recorded in their Reading Diary

4 nights = 1 point to win prizes

**Reading is the single biggest way parents can support their
child's academic success.**

HOW WE MEASURE

Engagement in reading at home forms part of our assessment of your child. Those that don't read, fall behind.

Children should read at home every day Monday - Thursday. Reading diaries are checked on a Friday.

Those with 4 Reading Nights will be entered to win prizes for their House and Class.



School Meal Provision

We would like to remind families that our school menu is carefully planned and costed to provide nutritious, popular meals based on the specific orders received. If the order cut-off is missed, we will always ensure your child receives a hot meal; however, please be aware that this may result in them being served an alternative dish that they may not personally prefer. We appreciate your cooperation in using the ordering system promptly to help our kitchen run smoothly and ensure every child enjoys their lunch.

Spring Term Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Further Info
Wednesday 11th February	Safer Internet Day	In school
Thursday 12th Feb	KS1 Cricket Skills	Held at Didcot Girls' School. Details within email.
Friday 13th Feb, 2.30 - 3.15pm	Whole-school Art Exhibition	All families warmly invited. Please note that the exhibition will close at 3.15pm and will not run after school.
Wed 4th & Thurs 5th March	Parents' Evening	3.30pm - 5.30pm. Appointment details to follow.
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day	Information to follow
Friday 6th March	Y5/6 Girls Netball tournament	Selected pupils, information within email from Mr Matthews

Pupil Premium eligibility - help us to support your child

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals and a variety of other financial supports, and school receives additional funding to support your child's teaching and learning. Please help us to claim this funding by contacting the Office if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits.

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

Don't forget to join our [@SouthMoretonPrimary](https://www.facebook.com/SouthMoretonPrimary) Facebook page!
We welcome you to search and 'like' so that you get the best insight into the school day to discuss and celebrate with your child.
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How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS to limit age-inappropriate CONTENT Android Phone

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The settings on an Android device allow you to prescribe certain rules for when your child is using it. For example, you can block specific types of content to reduce the risk of your child being exposed to age-inappropriate material (music with explicit lyrics, for instance, and games, TV shows or movies that are unsuitable for young people). There are two ways to access parental controls on an Android phone: through Google Play or via the Google Family Link app. You can also lock your changes behind a PIN, so your child (or anyone else) can't change them back.

Set up parental controls with Google Play

- 1 Open the Play Store app
- 2 Tap Menu (represented by three horizontal lines)
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Tap Parental Controls
- 4 Enable Parental Controls
- 4 Create Pin
- 4 Tap the content you would like to restrict
- 4 Choose how to filter or restrict access

Set up parental controls with Google Family Link

- 1 On your phone, install Google Family Link for Parents
- 2 Tap Open and review the information
- 3 Tap Get Started
- 4 Tap Next to set up your child's device
- 5 On your child's phone, download Google Family Link for Children & Teens and enter the Family Link setup code provided
- 6 On your phone, open the Family link app
- 7 Tap your child's name
- 8 Tap Manage Settings
- 9 Tap Controls on Google Play
- 10 Tap the content you would like to restrict
- 11 Choose how to filter or restrict access

Parental Controls Screenshot 1: Allow Up To: ☒ Everyone, ☐ Everyone 10+, ☐ Teen, ☐ Mature 17+, ☐ Adults Only 18+, ☐ Allow all, including unrated. [Save]

Parental Controls Screenshot 2: Kumail@NOS, Manage Settings, Location - Updated 3 min ago, UK

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