



"The World for our Children, our Children for the World"

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Family Newsletter

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Dear Families,

I have been incredibly proud to share our wonderful Ofsted inspection report with you this week. South Moreton was among the first in the nation to be evaluated under the rigorous new inspection framework back in January. Moving away from simplistic one-word labels, this modern approach focuses on detailed descriptions of a school's daily life and impact. The final report is a glowing testament to the school community, highlighting a "strong standard" across every single category. The inspectors were particularly struck by our deep-rooted commitment to inclusion and the "joyful and harmonious" environment of our Early Years setting, where our youngest learners build such a solid foundation.



The report serves as a wonderful celebration of our children, whom the inspectors described as "happy, confident, and eager to learn." It also recognises our commitment to using the latest educational research to ensure our teaching methods meet the needs of all pupils. I am so grateful to our staff for their expertise and commitment every day, and to you, our parents, for walking this journey with us, supporting your children as partners, and for the incredibly positive feedback you shared within the inspection survey.

Please do take the time to read the full report attached to this newsletter; it will be officially live on the Ofsted website within the next few days.

Mrs Sánchez

"Pupils of all ages are highly engaged in and sustain positive attitudes to their learning."

"The curriculum is ambitious for all pupils and goes well beyond the national curriculum."

"Highly inclusive practice is embedded in every aspect of school life"

"The school's teaching practice is highly developed."

"Early Years is a joyful and harmonious space."

"Leaders have a detailed, analytical and empirical understanding of the school."

"Leaders' first principle is always inclusion."

"Pupils develop the knowledge, character and resilience needed to flourish now and in the future"

Important changes to booking and payment systems - all parents please take action

Over the next few weeks, the school will be moving to a new system to manage bookings and payments for dinners, trips and wraparound care called My Child At School (MCAS). ODST schools recently moved our school databases to Bromcom, which has built-in functionality through this system to streamline payment systems and bookings. This will reduce office admin time, and ensure robust logs of bookings and payments. **This system will replace ParentPay during the Easter holidays.**

We will be supporting families by managing the change in 2 phases:

Phase 1, now until the Easter Break:

Please log in to 'My Child At School' via the online website or app using the login detail sent to your email address.

The app can be downloaded from [Google Play](#) or [App Store](#) here.
The website is here www.mychildatschool.com

You will receive an email with login details, which you should use to set up your account. Please contact us if you have any difficulty logging in, or if any information within your account is incorrect.

*****Booking for club and wraparound care is open now, and parents need to book within MCAS.**

*****Booking is also open for next term's school dinners.**

*****School dinner bookings for next week will remain within Parentpay.**

We will no longer be managing bookings via the School Office.

Phase 2: From 30th March 2026:

Parents to use 'My Child At School' to book and pay for all school dinners, wraparound care, extra curricular clubs and trips.

All regular and ad hoc bookings must be managed through MCAS and not directly with the school office. Payment for wraparound care continues to be possible with childcare vouchers. Parents can select 'offline payment' in the MCAS checkout, which allows you to place the order while arranging the voucher transfer.

All payments will be taken through MCAS for next term, and Parentpay access will be removed. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or need any help. We recognise that change can pose challenges and are very happy to support.

You will receive an email with login details, which you should use to set up your account. Please contact us if you have any difficulty logging in, or if any information within your account is incorrect.

In order to be ready for Phase 2 please activate your account by downloading / accessing MCAS asap and logging in with the account details we send.

Term 6 Club bookings now open **within MCAS**

Please do ask if you need any help. Bookings for clubs can no longer be made with the Office.

Day	Club offered	Club offered	Cost (6 weeks)	Collect at
Monday (5 weeks, due to Bank holiday)	Hockey All <i>Build teamwork and stick skills in fast-paced, fun matches and drills.</i>	Curling All <i>Try this unique precision sport and develop strategy, control and teamwork.</i>	£42.50	5pm
Tuesday	Coding All <i>Create, problem-solve and bring ideas to life through exciting digital projects.</i>		£51.00	5pm
Wednesday	Lego Masters All <i>A creative wonderland of Lego and construction challenges designed to develop critical thinking, teamwork and technical skills!</i>	Chess and board games All <i>Challenge your thinking, strategy and decision-making in friendly competition.</i>	£51.00	5pm
Thursday	Soft Rounders KS1 <i>A fun introduction to batting and fielding with lots of teamwork in the fresh air</i>	Rounders KS2 <i>Develop skills, tactics and teamwork in this energetic and competitive game.</i>	£51.00	5pm

Break the Rules Day – Friday 27th March!

Get ready for a day of fun! Our **PTA** is hosting **Break the Rules Day**, where pupils can pay 50p to break certain school rules and enjoy a little twist on the usual routine.

Important: Only the rules listed on the poster can be broken. All other school rules must still be followed to keep everyone safe and happy.

How to take part:

Send your child to school with 50p for every rule they'd like to break, in a sealed envelope, and give it to their teacher on the day.

Some rules **cannot** be broken for safety and health reasons: no flip-flops, no swimwear, no squash, no nuts, and clothing must be suitable for P.E. if it's your child's P.E. day.

Don't miss out on the fun – it's a great way to shake things up and support the PTA!

BREAK THE RULES DAY

WHEN?
Friday 27th March

HOW TO PAY?
Simply hand your money in a sealed envelope to your teacher on the day!

HOW IT WORKS:

RULES TO BE BROKEN:

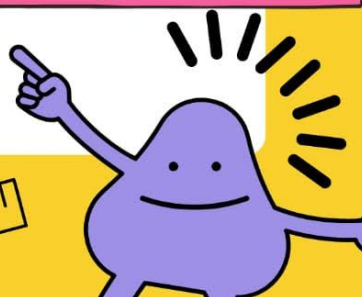
1. Wear school uniform
2. No teddies in school
3. Have neat/uncoloured hair
4. No temporary/ Glitter tattoos
5. No nail varnish
6. No silly glasses
7. No trainers
8. No make up
9. Wear grey/ black/ white socks
10. No silly hats/ wigs

Only rules from the list above can be broken!!

Pay 50p for every rule you would like to break from the rule list ONLY!

UNBREAKABLE rules:

- NO flip-flops or open toe shoes
- NO swimwear
- NO squash
- NO NUTS
- clothing must be suitable for P.E days if its your P.E day!



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 901,506 - equivalent to walking from South Moreton to Rotterdam!

House averages:

Gryffindor - 9058 Ravenclaw - 8809 Hufflepuff - 8138 Slytherin - 7507

Class averages:

Swallows - 9527 Wrens - 9219 Red Kites - 8254 Puffins - 8125 Herons - 7287

**MOKI
BANDS**



Spring Term Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Further Info
Wednesday 25th March	Year 6 Junior Citizens Trip	See letter from Mrs Mupita
Friday 27th March	End of Term 4	School finishes at 1.30pm. Buses and taxis leave at this time. After School Club available 1.30 - 3.15pm - please book with the Office.

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.



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** 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.
www.facebook.com/SouthMoretonPrimary



At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

10 Top Tips for ... KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE FROM CYBER CRIME

We all want to continue being informed and inspired by the ever-expanding capabilities of the internet. But we also need to be able to safeguard ourselves against the growing amount of online hazards. Knowing what is fact, understanding what dangers exist and taking appropriate steps can go a long way towards protecting yourself and your family. National Online Safety has collaborated with the Yorkshire and Humber Regional Cyber Crime Unit to compile 10 pointers to help you keep your children safe from cyber crime.

- 1. Spot Phishing Bait**
Phishing messages are untargeted mass emails asking for sensitive information (e.g. usernames, passwords, bank details) or encouraging recipients to visit a fake website. It's safest to learn the warning signs of phishing and increase your child's awareness. Too good to be true? Spelling or punctuation errors? Odd sense of urgency? These are all red flags. Don't click on links or follow demands if you're unsure, contact the official company directly online to enquire further.
- 2. Don't Over-Share**
Is your child sharing too much on social media? Do they post things about their private life, upload images of your home, or discuss their friendships and relationships online? Criminals will gather this information and may try to use it for identity theft or other offences such as fraud. To combat this, ensure your child's privacy settings mean they are only sharing information with family and close friends. Use parental controls where appropriate.
- 3. Encourage Strong Passwords**
Weak passwords make it faster and easier for someone to gain access to your online accounts or get control of your device – giving them a route to your personal information. For a strong password, national guidance recommends using three random words (e.g. bottlegangepylon). Consider paying for your child to access a password manager. Encourage them to have a separate password for their email account. Ensure the whole family uses two-factor authentication where possible.
- 4. Stay Updated**
People often put off installing updates to apps or software because they don't feel it's necessary, it can be time consuming, or could cause problems with programmes they rely on. But updates help protect users from recently discovered vulnerabilities to malware. You can usually set them to run automatically – encourage your child to select this option. Ensure updates are installed as soon as possible after you're notified they're available.
- 5. Back up Your Data**
Some cyber attacks can lead to the theft or deletion of important (and possibly sensitive) data or loss of files (like photos and videos) that can't be replaced. Backing up your data to the cloud – or to another device – will help prevent data loss if you ever become the victim of a cyber attack. Where possible, set your child's devices to back up automatically. Also encourage them to back up their data prior to installing any updates.
- 6. Be Wary of Public WiFi**
Free public WiFi is commonplace – but it's often not secure and sends unencrypted data via the network. A hacker on the same network could access personal data (like financial information) without you even realising they'd done so. To avoid this, suggest to your child that they use their 3G or 4G mobile data when they're out and about, rather than free WiFi. Consider purchasing a VPN (Virtual Private Network) where possible.
- 7. Take Care When Chatting**
Criminals may look to manipulate others online and coerce them into using their talents or cyber skills for unethical means. Try to get your child to be open about who they are talking to online. Communication tools such as Discord are popular among gamers – but be cautious of the other people using them, and ensure you know who your child is chatting with.
- 8. Recognise Warning Signs**
Often, budding cyber experts will relish the challenge of testing themselves or earning recognition from peers for their exploits. Even principled 'white-hat' hackers will look to test their skills online. If you think your child is interested in hacking, try to understand what their motivation is. You could encourage their participation in ethical competitions such as bug bounties.
- 9. Understand Their Motivations**
Those being influenced online to use their skills unethically may display certain key warning signs. Sudden evidence of new-found wealth (unexplained new clothes or devices, for example), secrecy around their online behaviour or boasting of new online friendships are all causes for concern. If in doubt, refer through to your regional cyber crime team.
- 10. Know the Consequences**
Many young people may feel that hacking is essentially a light-hearted prank, and not especially serious. So make sure your child is aware of the implications of a conviction under the Computer Misuse Act – not only the possibility of a criminal record, but also lifelong travel restrictions and damage to their future career or educational prospects.

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The Yorkshire & Humber Regional Cyber Crime Unit (YHCCU) works with the National Crime Agency (NCA) and other partners, in the UK and abroad, to investigate and prevent the most serious cyber crime offences.

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