



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

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Family Newsletter

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Dear Families,

This morning all the children took part in a mini cross country event in the park. Points were awarded and will go towards their house total for sports day. The children were in great form, and as always, tried their very best and were suitably red-faced and out of breath from their efforts. Our year 6 children were given some responsibility to support our youngest children and were superb role models. We look forward to more sporting fun next week!

Mr Matthews, PE Lead



Sports Day next Wednesday, 24th June

Parents are warmly invited to join us for Sports Day on Wednesday! The fun starts at 1.30pm, with gates opening for parking on the playground at 1.15pm. Please arrange to car share or walk if you are able, in order to minimise traffic challenges. **If you have small children with you, you must ensure they are supervised carefully due to moving traffic on the playground across the afternoon.**

The weather next week looks gloriously hot and sunny. Children will have regular shade and water breaks. We will provide some gazebos for parents to seek shade, but encourage you to ensure you are prepared for the sun. Our wonderful PTA will have cold drinks on sale for parents during the event, and then an ice lolly sale in Swallows garden for families at home time - please bring change.

Children will need to come to school in PE kit with sun protection i.e. suncream applied, sunhat and water bottle please. They are invited to replace their school PE t-shirt with one in their house colour for the day.

Gryffindor	Red	Ravenclaw	Blue
Hufflepuff	Yellow	Slytherin	Green

Sports Day will include team games in house groups led by our responsible Year 6 pupils, followed by races on the track. Games and races will win house points, and the children have had lots of fun practising their skills over their recent enhanced-provision athletics sessions!

We invite parents to take part in our Egg and Spoon race for extra fun, **but we stress that you MUST wear appropriate footwear for this i.e. trainers. No bare feet, sandals, flip flops or slip ons!**

Year 5 residential trip to Hill End

Welcome back to our fantastic Year 5 pupils after an unforgettable residential trip to Hill End! The adventure kicked off with an action-packed evening featuring a delicious BBQ, a cozy campfire, and plenty of laughter. As night fell, the excitement continued with an epic game of hide-and-seek in the dark and a night hike to spend any remaining energy. The energy stayed high for Day 2 as everyone dove into hands-on bushcraft sessions, learning impressive new outdoor survival skills. Throughout the entire trip, Year 5 proved themselves to be a brilliant team, showing wonderful camaraderie, resilience, and spirit. They thoroughly enjoyed this special time together, making memories that will undoubtedly last a lifetime.



NSPCC Assemblies: Talk PANTS

This week, children across the school participated in important assemblies led by the NSPCC, focusing on valuable lessons about staying safe. Following these assemblies, teachers delivered age-appropriate sessions in class utilising the NSPCC's 'Talk PANTS' resource.

Through these activities, we strongly embed the core message that "pants are private," helping children understand in a sensitive and reassuring way that their body belongs to them.

We warmly encourage you to follow this up with your child at home to help reinforce these vital safety conversations. If you have any further questions about the sessions or the resources used, please feel free to contact the school office.



Online Safety: Parental controls

The Government has released new online safety guidance for parents to support their children at home. We will share messages regularly with parents. This week, we are focussing on setting parental controls on devices. This is crucial to protect your child from inappropriate content, and to manage screen time. [Take a look at the steps here to ensure parental controls are set on your devices.](#)

Reading Nights update

Thanks to your support at home, most children have enjoyed racking up over 135 nights of reading each by this point in the year! This is playing a critical and impressive part in their progress in learning across the curriculum. Children who read regularly can access learning better, complete tasks better and achieve higher grades, and this impact is felt all the way through secondary school, GCSEs and further study. Teachers use home reading engagement as part of their assessments and the picture within children's reading diaries can form a valuable insight into their engagement.

We don't set homework at South Moreton, but we do expect engagement in home reading.

Research shows that reading is the single most important way you can support your child's academic achievement, as well as it being invaluable for emotional connection with parents whilst reading, and a habit to support rest and relaxation. Thank you for supporting this across the year so far!

Please do keep up the pace over the final few weeks of term, and speak to us if you need any help! We reward those achieving 4 reading nights in a week.

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.



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 is 1061430 which is equivalent to walking from South Moreton to Copenhagen!

House averages:

Ravenclaw - 13435 Gryffindor - 12109 Hufflepuff - 11190 Slytherin - 11676

Class averages:

Wrens - 11779 Puffins - 13732 Herons - 11739 Red Kites - 12111 Swallows - 13451



Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Notes
Tues 2nd - Tues 30th June	Y6 Swimming Lessons @ Cranford School	<i>See email. Payment and permission within MCAS.</i>
Wed 24th June, 1.30pm	Sports Day	<i>All families warmly welcome</i>
Wed 24th June, 6pm	New Reception starters - Parent Information Evening	<i>Parents of new Reception cohort warmly welcome</i>
Fri 26th June, 1.30pm	Backup Sports Day	<i>In case of poor weather on 24th</i>
Fri 3rd July	Y3 and Y4 trip to Sheldonian Theatre Children's Concert	<i>Information to follow</i>
Mon 6th July	Whole School Transition Afternoon incl Reception new starters	
Thurs 9th July	Wrens and Swallows trip to Beale Park	<i>Costs are generously subsidised by the PTA to keep them accessible.</i>
Fri 10th July, 2.15pm	Summer Concert, all year groups	<i>All families warmly welcome</i>
Mon 13th July	Reports home	
Mon 13th July	Whole School transition afternoon incl Reception new starters	
Thurs 16th July, 5pm	Year 6 Leavers picnic and celebration	<i>Parents of Y6 warmly welcome</i>
Fri 17th July, 1.30pm	End of Term	<i>Taxi and bus departs at this time</i>

Sunsafer at school

Please ensure that your child has the following in school every day. Children without protection on sunny days may be asked to play in shady areas which might not be their preference.

- Sunhat labelled with child's name
- Suncream (children need to apply this themselves, or you can apply a long-lasting one before school)
- Water bottle
- Waterproof coat (we can't pretend the rain won't make an appearance!)

Uniform reminder for Summer Term:

As the weather improves, please can we remind you of uniform expectations. Children are permitted to wear Summer dresses after the break if they wish. Shoes must be closed-toe and sturdy for outdoor play.

All shorts - girls and boys, for school or PE MUST be mid-thigh length or longer.

We will be contacting parents if uniform is not appropriate for school.

MCAS bookings and payments

All bookings and payments for school dinners, wraparound care, extra curricular clubs and trips are now managed within the MyChildAtSchool app or website. It will no longer be possible for the Office to make bookings for you.

Payment for wraparound care continues to be possible with childcare vouchers. Parents can select 'CV' in the MCAS checkout, which allows you to place the order while arranging the voucher transfer.

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.

If you are still catching up:

Please log in to 'My Child At School' via the online website or app using the login detail sent to your email address. You can alternatively add your email address and select 'forgot password' for a reset email to be sent to you.

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

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into the school day to discuss and celebrate with your child.
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