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This Half Term's Value: Respect

'Phrases of Faith'



Luke 6:31: And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

Dear Parent/ Carers,

Welcome to this week's edition of the weekly Newsletter at the end of what has been our first full week back! I am sure some of our younger pupils are feeling a little tired as the week draws to a close, but I can assure you that there has been lots of fun had and again I continue to be amazed by how well ALL our pupils have settled back into school.

This week has seen the start of our clubs. This term, on offer are a range of Sports clubs including Archery, Fencing and lunchtime sport as part of our '**Get Active**' initiative and in a bid to increase the range of sports enjoyed by our children, we are offering After School Sports Clubs **FREE OF CHARGE** for this half term. In addition to this we have welcomed back Mr Parker our Guitar teacher and we have also welcomed Mrs Newman our new Piano teacher; if you have not yet signed up to a Sports Club or to receive tuition to learn to play a musical instrument then the booking facility is available now on School Spider and to confirm a place at a Sports Club (Archery, Fencing or both!) please contact Mrs Plant in the office. In addition to this we also have on offer Lego Club led by Miss Archer.

And please don't forget we also have Breakfast and After School Clubs available for parents and carers who may require before and after school wrap around care.

We hope that your little ones have settled in well but please remember; we are always here should you have any questions or concerns so please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend.

With all Best Wishes,

Mrs S. Henney





Important Dates and INFORMATION

September

Monday 18th	Well-being parent information at 2:30 Lego Club, 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday 19 th	Miss Hope covering Chestnut Class Archery Club, 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Wednesday 20 th	Miss Hope covering Chestnut Class
Thursday 21 st	PE for Oak and Chestnut Class Fencing Club, 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Friday 22 nd	Forest School for Willow and Chestnut Class
Monday 25 th	Lego Club, 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday 26 th	Archery Club, 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Wednesday 27 th	Miss Hope covering Chestnut Class
Thursday 28 th	Fencing Club, 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Friday 29 th	Forest School for Willow and Chestnut Class

Attendance

This week's winners are Oak Class! Well done!



<u>Class</u>	<u>This week ...</u>	<u>Previous week</u>
Chestnut	88.33%	83.33%
Oak	87.00%	70.00%
Whole School	73.74%	69.51%



This week's Star Pupils!

Chestnut star of the week: Jacob, for settling so beautifully into school

Oak Class Star of the Week: Tom, for working so well independently to produce some super descriptive writing.

Chestnut Class News

That first step through the classroom door after summer break is scary. I am so proud of how well Chestnuts have adapted and thrived. Over the last couple of days, we have spent time getting to know each other, establishing rules and routines and creating positive learning behaviours. We have already started exploring phonics, literacy and math and have also learnt about the continents of the world.

Children will now have received their very own reading book and reading record which will need returning each Thursday. Please spend time enjoying your child books throughout the week as repetition is proven to support fluent reading. Below are some key days.

Thursday Children to come to school in PE kits.

Children bring books back

Friday Children to bring forest school kits.



The chickens have arrived!

This week we have seen the arrival of two lovely fluffy ladies- Daisy and Maisy. Staff have taken part in 'Chicken training' and now have a thorough understanding of the beauty of what these lovely ladies can bring to our school family. The children and staff took part in a vote to name the chickens and we now have a rota of children to take the eggs home once they start laying consistently. Our ladies are young and we are pleased to announce we have our first egg! YAY!



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When your child comes home with a dozen eggs, we would really appreciate the box returned as it has a special sticker on it



Willow Class News



It has been wonderful to welcome children back into Nursery this week, and we are incredibly proud of how well all children have settled back into our daily routines. This week, Willow Class have enjoyed exploring our outside and inside provision, with a focus on road safety, bedtime routines and nursery rhymes. The children have also enjoyed welcoming our new chickens and have had great fun feeding and caring for them and even spotting one laying an egg!

We would like to welcome children in Nursery and reception to come to school in their pyjamas on Monday. This will be the first day of their new Literacy topic, based around the story Peace at Last.



Key days

Fridays

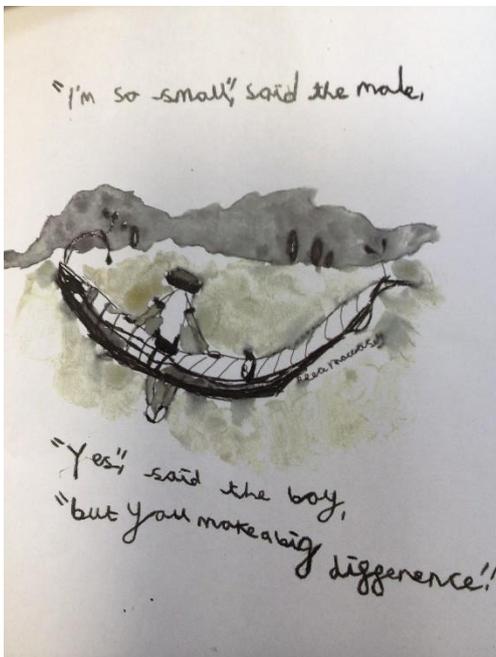
Children to bring forest school kits.



Oak Class News

This week, Oak Class have been enjoying getting to know each other and settling back into classroom routines. I am incredibly proud of them all for trying so hard with this, as there have been many changes to staff, timetables and classrooms. We have created new Oak Class Rules together and the children have produced some beautiful artwork based on them, inspired by Charlie Mackesy. We will be framing these for on the walls of our classroom but will be sending colour copies home for the children and yourselves to keep.

We have started our new work scheme in English, based on the incredible true story of Annie Edson Taylor, who was the first person to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel! The children have shown some super imagination and ideas, and we are all looking forward to learning the whole story of her amazing feat!



Well being

We are very excited to announce that from September we will be working very closely with the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) and our designated Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP) Lucy. She will be working closely with our mental health lead Mrs Rawsthorne to help our federation adopt and implement a whole school approach to promoting mental health and wellbeing of all within the school setting. Including :

- Delivering education sessions within schools and training for teachers.
- Delivering parent information sessions and parent led CBT (Cognitive Behaviour Therapy) to help parents to support their child's mental health difficulties with strategies that are proven to work.



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- Delivering interventions with children between the ages of 5 and 18 years on the following: -
 - Anxiety – that includes separation anxiety, social anxiety, generalised anxiety
 - Worry Management
 - Low Mood
 - Emotional Regulation
 - Sleep hygiene

Lucy would like to invite all parents to attend an information session on **Monday 11th at Moreton Say or Monday 18th at Adderley at 2:30**. The session will last about half an hour and will be a chance for Lucy to introduce herself and the service and explain how they are going to be supporting our school community.

Sports News- School Games Bronze Sports Award!

We are really excited to excited to announce that we at both Moreton Say and Adderley, have achieved the **School Games Bronze Mark Award** for the 2022/23 academic year. The School Games Mark is a government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

As a federation we try to ensure that as many as our young children as possible get the opportunity to compete and take part in local inter-school competitions. Last year we took part in many events including cross country, hockey, netball, dodgeball, sports hall athletics, swimming and rounders. Aside from this, we are also extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders, playground buddies and all our children for taking part in their PE sessions so enthusiastically. As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

We hope to build on this next year and aim even higher with the help of our new sports providers from The Marches Academy Trust. There will be lots of competitions for children from across the federation to enter, lots of exciting lunchtime and after school clubs to choose from and our newly appointed PE and Sports councils will be taking a bigger lead than ever before.

It's going to be an exciting year!



Addmore Reading Newsletter

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Welcome!

Welcome to our Autumn Addmore Reading Newsletter. In this newsletter, you will discover how we are supporting your child's reading. You will find recommended reads for their age group; we will be sharing new releases, plus keeping you updated on events, both in and outside of school. We hope you find it helpful in supporting your child on their reading journey.



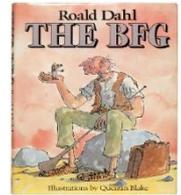
Staff Corner



An Interview with Miss McLaughlin

What is your favourite children's book and why?

The BFG. It was one of my favourite stories as a child and one that I remember reading repeatedly! I like lots of Roald Dahl books and think that he was a wonderful author.



When or where do you most like to read?

I like to read in bed. I find it helps me to relax after a long day. I think you can transport to another world in a book and forget your worries.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/Booktrust/featured>



8 Ways to Encourage Reluctant Readers

Reading is a tremendously appealing, satisfying activity, and children will become hooked once we can build it into their lives every day. The key is getting children started. The following nine strategies will help even the most reluctant reader become more enthusiastic about reading at home and at school. We hope that if together we use some of the strategies described below, reading will become something that children do willingly. Our main aim is to encourage the children to see reading as a pleasure and have it as a lifelong habit.

- 1. Start with the child's passions.** Children will be more excited about reading when they can choose books or magazines related to their interests. This suggestion is by far the most powerful one when it comes to encouraging those who are reluctant to read. When children own the choice of what they read, their motivation can increase significantly
- 2. Make reading a social experience.** Children who don't enjoy reading alone often enjoy reading with somebody else. Children can read with their parents, siblings, other relatives, and friends. Some children even start mini-book clubs and discuss books related to their common interests. Asking children to read to their younger siblings and cousins can powerfully impact their own motivation to read. Of course, they also enjoy that one to one time they have with their adult curled up on the sofa sharing a book!
- 3. Read aloud to your children.** Many parents regularly read aloud to their children when they are very young, yet stop this activity, as the child get older. Parents should read aloud to children throughout Primary school. Doing so makes reading more enjoyable, improves listening skills, builds comprehension, lengthens attention spans, and grows the imagination.



4. Take advantage of new technology. Children who may not find books interesting may enjoy reading the same texts on smart phones, computers, and electronic readers, such as the iPad or Kindle. Technology makes everything seem cooler and more engaging to children, and we should capitalize on this fact when it comes to reading.

5. Be a role model to children. When children see their parents reading frequently, discussing what they have read, and carrying books around, they will value reading to a greater extent. The power of modelling cannot be underestimated.

6. Camouflage reading. Parents can increase the amount of time their children spend reading by subtly building into something they enjoy doing or another family activity. Examples might include reading recipes, reading the directions to board or online games, looking at various websites together or finding out about the ingredients in such as cereal packets whilst having breakfast.

7. Be sure children read books that are appropriately challenging. Many times children don't want to read simply because the books they encounter are too difficult. This seemingly obvious point is frequently forgotten. None of us wants to encounter frustration, and we will go to great lengths to avoid experiences that make us feel this way. Appropriately challenging books are those in which students can fluently read approximately 95% of the words. Encountering a small number of difficult words can help children grow in their reading skills, but encountering too many of these words can interfere with fluency and lead to discouragement.

8. Ask for recommendations. Let your child watch book trailers and listen to book talks in order to discover good books. Book trailers and book talks are similar to movie trailers and friendly recommendations because they try to entice you to check out the product. Of course, the best source of book recommendations is other children, particularly those who your child is friendly with.



SCHOOL MEALS – DID YOU KNOW.....

According to latest research (as recently published in the media) the cost of a school meal is now cheaper than providing a packed lunch (which has almost doubled during the cost-of-living crisis).

2021 price	2022 price	% increase
£0.95	£2.53	166%
£1.60	£2.71	92%
£0.47	£1.04	121%
£0.77	£1.32	76%
£0.39	£0.91	108%
£0.54	£1.27	135%
£0.64	£1.72	169%
£0.98	£1.79	86%
£0.73	£1.06	45%
£6.99	£13.65	95%

Advantages of School meals:

- One of the biggest advantages of school dinners is the convenience they offer. You don't need to plan ahead and there's no need to get up early to prepare your children's lunches.
- School dinners are also nutritionally balanced. Schools have to follow guidelines on what should and should not be included in school meals e.g reduced sugar and fat.
- School dinners also provide for all dietary needs e.g vegetarian, religious and for those with allergies.
- Additionally, having school lunches means children get to sit together and socialise while eating the same meal. This can encourage your child to try new foods and reduce any previous fussiness.
- School meals also reduce the need for use of single-use plastic – which packed lunches can generate a lot of!

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If your child is in a state-funded primary school in England, they will automatically qualify for free school meals in school years Reception to Year 2. If your child is older, they might also be eligible for free school meals if you receive certain benefits such as Income Support, Child Tax Credit or Universal Credit.

Why not try a school dinner today –
just ask at the School Office





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Luna's Legacy Charity Football Match

Sunday 24th September 2023
Market Drayton Town FC
2pm kick off

£5 entry fee
Concession rate £3
Under 10s free

Teams made up of local bereaved parents,
siblings, families and friends

