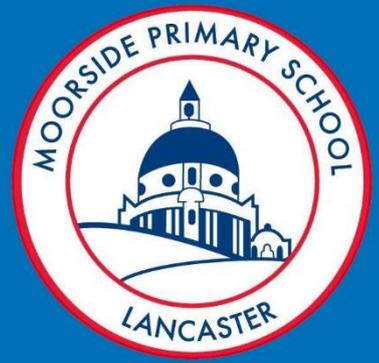


# Moorside Primary School

Bowerham Road Newlands LANCASTER LA1 4HT  
01524 66516 [www.moorside-pri.lancs.sch.uk](http://www.moorside-pri.lancs.sch.uk)



Headteacher: Mr Roger Shone  
Deputy Headteacher: Mr Jonathan Whitwell  
Assistant Headteachers: Mrs Alice Earnshaw & Mrs Kate Nuttall

17<sup>th</sup> April 2020

## Start of the Summer Term

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope everyone is ok out there and managing to keep safe and healthy. I am glad so many people enjoyed the staff video on Facebook last week. We enjoyed reading peoples' comments.

### Food donations

On the last Friday school was fully open, we had a collection for the Olive Branch and Morecambe Foodbank. Your response was amazing, and it took three vans to take the donations away. We are hearing that stocks are running low in some local food charities. If you are able to drop something off at any of the organisations supporting the local community that would be brilliant. Please don't bring them to school.

### Next week – Seesaw learning at home

Summer term officially starts on Monday!

Over the Easter holidays, those teachers not in school have been busy preparing the first batch of work for 'Seesaw'. Hopefully everyone is now sorted out with access codes. In most cases where we have needed to help people, the code has been correct, but had been entered incorrectly, e.g. a zero rather than the letter 'O', so please try checks like this before contacting us. If you still have a problem, please contact us via the general school email rather than the 'well-being' one, which has been set up for emergencies.

For those families who are genuinely unable to access Seesaw (i.e. a lack of technology at home), please email the wellbeing email or call the wellbeing phone and we will arrange for paper-based learning packs to be delivered to you. Please note, these packs will need to be kept and brought back into school when school reopens to all.

Children who are attending school should return to wearing school uniform. Whilst they are with us, the staff will help them to access their online learning so that there is some similarity between those in school and those at home.

### **Keyworkers and parents with vulnerable pupils**

For those parents whose children were attending before Easter, we will assume that your child will attend again after Easter. However, to help us ensure that we have sufficient staff on site on any one day, please could you email the keyworker email [keyworker@moorside-pri.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:keyworker@moorside-pri.lancs.sch.uk) with your requirements for the next two weeks.

### **Reception places**

I believe parents have now been contacted about Reception places for September 2020. We will be writing to all families who have been offered a place at Moorside very shortly. If you know a family whose children do not currently attend Moorside please share this information with them and point them in the direction of our '2020 Reception Admissions' webpage, accessed through the carousel on our school homepage.

### **Future updates**

Over the last few weeks, we have been trying to keep to a pattern for sharing updates: our main letter has been posted via ParentApp, our website and Facebook each Friday. We will aim to keep to this pattern during the school closure, with smaller, less formal and more humorous content going out through Facebook during the week.

Yours sincerely

Roger Shone

Headteacher