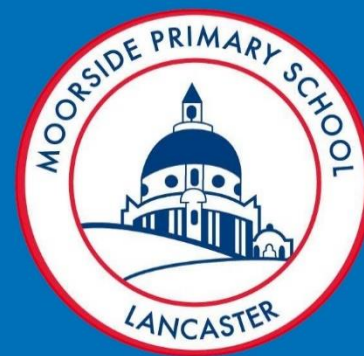


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16th April 2021

Update – 16th April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy summer term everyone. It's good to be back and it now feels like we are all moving slowly in the right direction.

Across school, certain aspects of normal life are being re-introduced:

- school swimming can start for Y3
- there are a range of after-school clubs running
- we are looking at what might be possible in terms of educational visits
- we are also considering at what point it might be possible to return to the normal school meals menu

Congratulations

Last weekend, Mrs Howse gave birth to a baby girl, Jemima. Congratulations. We wish Mrs Howse and her new family well.

Mrs Atkinson

Mrs Atkinson returns from maternity leave on Monday. Over the last week, she has been visiting the class and working with the Reception team. She is very excited to be back and looking forward to working with the children and the rest of the team.

Thank you

After over five years with the school as a lunchtime supervisor, we say 'Goodbye' to Caroline Lowe. We would like to thank her for her contribution and work at the school supporting and caring for children through their lunchtimes. We wish her well as she takes up work as a teaching assistant.

Reminders – Uniform

During the weeks from March 8th and the fuller-opening of school, we have taken an open minded approach to uniform, in particularly, footwear. This is because we understand that access to shoe shops has not been possible. Now that shops are open again, we would like to see all children return to full uniform including normal school shoes. Certainly by half-term, we think that should be possible. If there is some reason why this might not be possible, please come and talk to us.

Year 5 York Residential – Expression of Interest Reminder

We wrote to Year 5 parents earlier this week to gauge an initial expression of interest should this visit go ahead. If you have not done so already, please complete the short survey following the link below by Monday 19th April.

<https://forms.gle/qkJdeoiF6G26T2T67>

Reception Places

Parents who have applied for Reception places for this September, should find out which school they have been allocated. Our website has a designated area for Reception 2021 where we will upload information. If you have been allocated Moorside, you should receive an initial letter from us next week.

Looking Ahead

Approximately every two years, we consult everyone associated with school for ideas for the longer term development of Moorside and the opportunities we provide. After a very difficult year for many people, this would seem like a good time to focus the mind and plan ahead. Over the next few weeks, please look out for how you can get involved.

MOORFS Meeting

MOORFS are having a Zoom meeting on Wednesday 21st April at 7:30pm. All welcome! They will share the link to this meeting on their Facebook page over the weekend, alternatively you can contact them for the link via email, moorfs@moorside-pri.lancs.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

Roger Shone
Head Teacher