

Moreton Headlines

Keeping you up to date with all the happenings at Moreton

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HEAD'S LINES



Welcome Back! It has been wonderful to have the children back in school and to meet some of the new children that have joined us. All have settled really well into the new systems and routines and they have shown real enthusiasm for the work they are doing. We have begun our year with a whole school theme based on Inside Out and the children have been very open in discussing their emotions and how they can make sense of lockdown. Thank you for bearing with us in the staggered times and systems for dropping off and collecting pupils. Once we have settled over the next week, we will be reviewing it to see if any adjustments can be made to ease the flow. As a reminder please do keep moving swiftly through and socially distance from other parents. It is also really important that only years 5 & 6 and their siblings use the Drop and Go in the morning - this is to avoid potential cross mixing of bubbles and for safety reasons. Also children should not really travel in other cars with other pupils. At times, for childcare reasons, I understand that this is not possible and as parents you have to make decisions and judgements as to what is best to enable you to work. All of these guidelines and measures may be frustrating and time consuming but I really do not want to have an outbreak here at Moreton and be in a position to close the school, so your cooperation in this would be much appreciated.

It's Election Time!

It's that exciting time of year when children will be voting for who they would like as their representative on the School Council for their class or another position within our school parliament. If your child would like to be nominated please assist them with their speech. Voting will take place on Thursday and Friday.



Upcoming Dates

14.9.20	Reception Children start
30.9.20	8pm FOMs AGM (via ZOOM)
28.9.20	6pm Governors Meeting

A list of potential dates and events will be sent out to parents next week.

This half term our focused Christian Value is Creation and Thanksgiving. As we lead up to Harvest time, we will be thinking of all the good gifts we have received and reflect on how thankful we are to have so much to be grateful for here at Moreton, particularly as we remember the events of the last 6 months. We will be discussing how we can celebrate Harvest in our 'bubbles' and plan to learn some songs using sign language.

After almost 6 months out of school for some children, I am sure that this weekend they will be very tired (and hungry). I hope that you are all able to get some much needed rest—

have a wonderful weekend. *Mrs Batt*



Growing Together in Faith, Knowledge and Love

Creation and Thanksgiving

This half term we are focusing on the wonder of creation with new beginnings and how we can be thankful for all we have in the world. Christians see life as a 'gift', entrusted by a loving creator God to humankind for a purpose. The purpose is glimpsed as the creative spirit which each person learns to value and explore, celebrate and enjoy in a world of mystery and diversity. With this gift comes a mutual responsibility to ensure that creation is not spoiled, but rather sustained and shared by all. This week we have been thinking about new beginnings and our aspirations for the coming year. I will be emailing you a sheet on 'Thankfulness' to support you in discussing and exploring how we can show our gratitude towards others. Our bible verse for the half term is:



“Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; his love endures forever.” 1 Chronicles 16:34

You might like to listen to the following hymn which reminds us of this:

[Forever by Chris Tomlin](#)



Supporting small schools, particularly in this current climate, is so vital and we really do need your help as parents to enable us to flourish at Moreton. FOMs are passionate about supporting the school remotely until we are able to have all the restrictions lifted— I do hope you will support them. There are many roles to be filled and everybody can help in lots of different ways. Their virtual AGM will be via Zoom at 8pm on Wednesday 30th September 2020. An invite will be emailed out to you and I hope you will join us — bring your own drink and nibbles! See you there.

**Free
School
Meals**



**Have your
circumstances or
child's health
changed over the
summer?**

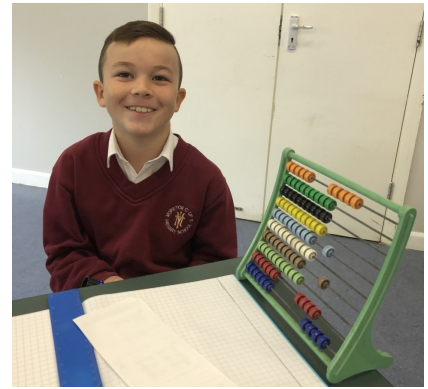
Are you entitled?

If so please make sure that you let us know so that we can provide the very best for your child's education.

If your circumstances have changed financially your child may now be eligible for free school meals or pupil premium funding which enables us to work with you to boost your child's learning at school. Please contact the office if either of these changes apply to you.

Also if your child has a medical need then a health care plan needs to be made so that the information can be shared with the relevant staff working with them. Please make an appointment to see Mrs Barros if this applies to you. Thank you.

Back in School...



School Dinners

At present we are offering a cold packed lunch only for pupils. This is to enable us to ensure that the routines for staggered lunchtimes are established and we can mitigate any risk arising from mixing bubbles. We aim to reintroduce hot meals from 14th September and I shall update parents about this next week. School Dinners need to be booked on Pupil Asset. Parents will need to ensure they've downloaded the App. Details of this was sent in my letter of 26th February 2020—if you require a copy or any support please contact the office. Please note that dinners can be booked either individually or in a block n advance but need to be booked by 8am on the day. For those children in years 3 - 6, bookings can only be made if there is adequate credit on the account. Siblings will be linked on the same account as long as the main email address is the same for both children.



Can you help?



We want to turn this space into an outdoor learning area for children in years 2 & 3. We love our greenhouse but it is too big for us. If you know someone who would like this amazing greenhouse we would love to give it to them for a donation towards a smaller one. Also if you are able to support us in any way to transform this area - maybe through gardening (cutting back the weeds would be a start!), making tables, flower boxes or some inspirational planting - we would love your help.

Please speak to Mrs Batt if you are able to help, even if only for a day. Thank you