



Moorlands Primary School

High Expectations, High Achievements, Challenge and Enjoyment for All

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week got off to a great start for Year 2 with a visit from Wise-owl. The children met several different breeds of owls including a little owl and a huge eagle owl. The children all got to hold an owl and some of the braver children laid down whilst the bird swooped over them. A memorable experience for all to stimulate a new topic on owls.



Mrs Casson

As you may be aware Mrs Casson is having a baby! Her baby is due next month, she will be beginning her maternity leave next week, and her last day will be Wednesday 1st February. We wish her all the best and look forward to meeting her baby soon.

The School Council

A quick update on some of the projects this year's school council are currently working on. The children suggested that children who have packed lunches would like to have school dinners once a week. They interviewed our kitchen manager, who thought it was a good idea. Details are below. They also requested more themed lunches, the first of which is planned next half term on a Friday. There are many other projects underway, more news to follow.

Swap your child's packed lunch for a school lunch every Friday

From the start of next half-term, Monday, 27 February 2017, we are going to be able to offer school lunches every Friday to children who normally bring packed lunches to school. For children in Reception and Years 1 and 2, this will be free of charge as these children are eligible for Universal Free School Meals. For children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 the cost will be £12.30 payable in advance on Parentpay (i.e. 6 weeks at £2.05 per week). Our Friday menus are attached for your information.

If you would like to take advantage of this lunch option, you need to let the School Office know by Monday, 13 February 2017. Please note, however, that if you would like to do this, you must opt into this for the full half-term as our Kitchen Manager will be placing a food order for the half-term based on our dinner numbers at the end of this half-term.

Snag information: School Dinners

Last week we gave you some ideas for delicious packed lunches. This week we thought we would let you know about our wonderful school dinners. School dinners are created under very strict guidelines so children are offered a very balanced, healthy and delicious menu. It is very important for all young people to eat a healthy, balanced diet and Kirklees Catering Service takes this responsibility very seriously. Here are some facts about our service and the meals we offer in school:

School serves a nutritious and tasty two course meal, freshly prepared on site at a set price of £2.05 each day.



- Every menu is tailored to each individual school after consulting with our customers (you, your children and their teachers).
 - All menus are planned in line with the Government's School Food Standards.
 - We cater for special diets.
- Fish is sustainable, all meat is farm assured and all eggs are free-range.

We are very limited to the amount of fats, salt and sugars we can use, to ensure the children get a good balance. We have a salad bar each day and a selection of homemade bread, which the children help themselves to. Attached to the newsletter is one of our 'Sugar Smart' recipes we use to make delicious apple and sultana bread. It always goes down a storm!

Sporting news

Well done to the Yr2 Sports Hall Athletics team, who were amazing on Tuesday night at New College. They won the competition, showing great sportsmanship. Thank you also to all the parent who came along to cheer them on.

Today the Yr5/6 Sports Hall Athletics team were unbelievably fantastic, winning the Pennine Sports Partnership competition by 50 point. They are now through to the Kirklees finals next month.

The Big Dig

On Tuesday 7th February, we need to dig holes for 100 tree saplings/hedge plants which have been ordered for the area at the top of the drive. Mrs Swift will be digging from 1pm onwards that afternoon and would be hugely grateful for any willing adults to come and help.

Please bring a spade if at all possible (let me know if you can come but will need one).

So far we only have one volunteer... please help us!



If you can help please contact Mrs Swift eco@moorlandsprimary.org.uk or 01484 655800

Big garden bird watch:

Have fun in the garden this weekend and take part in our big garden bird watch (see sheet at the back of the newsletter). Return any sheets to Mrs Swift.

Active Kids 2017

Sainsburys are starting their Active Kids vouchers again. We are collecting and would very much appreciate your vouchers. Last year we collected enough vouchers to get lots of playground sports equipment and cooking equipment for our children.

Dates for your diaries

30th January:	First meeting about setting up a PTA – Mount Methodist church 7-8pm. All welcome.
31st January:	Parents evening 3.45pm - 6.30pm
2nd February:	Deputy Mayor visiting KS2 and the Eco club (amended date)
7th February:	Safer Internet day
9th February:	Parents evening 5pm -7.30pm
17th February:	Inset day - school closed
27th February – 1st March:	Yr. 4 residential trip to Robinwood
2nd March:	World Book Day – dress as your favourite book character.
6th March:	SNAG meeting 3.30pm in school
16th March:	Science/waste week open afternoon – more information to follow
24th March:	Red Nose Day – Non-uniform
6th April:	Creative Arts evening 6pm. More information to follow.

There are regular updates on Twitter @MoorlandsHudds and on our school website www.moorlandsprimary.org.uk
Many thanks for your continued support.

Amanda Denney
Headteacher

Apple and Sultana Bread

420g of white bread mix
210g of tinned apples
125g Sultanas
125g Apple juice



Method:

1. Place the white bread mix, apple and sultanas in a bowl. Blend in the warm apple juice and knead for about 6 minutes.
2. Shape the dough into a large sausage shape, to fit a greased 1kg (2lb 4 oz) loaf tin.
3. Leave to rise in a warm place until the dough has doubled in size.
4. Bake at 200c/400F/Gas mark 6 for 20-25 minutes, until golden. For fan assisted oven cook at 190c/375F/Gas mark 5.
5. Enjoy

Friday Week 1

Succulent *Gammon Steaks* and Pineapple served with new potatoes and broccoli.



**Brown
option**

or

Jacket Potatoes served with various fillings



**Green
option**

Friday Week 2

Homemade Pizza Swirls served with potato wedges and golden sweetcorn



**Blue
option**

or

Homemade Shepherd's Pie served with golden sweetcorn



**Brown
option**

or

Homemade Vegetarian Shepherd's Pie served with golden sweetcorn



**Green
option**

Big Garden Birdwatch



If you would like to help the RSPB monitor our garden birds, just choose 1 hour over the weekend of **28-30 January 2017** and count the birds you see from your window. Use the sheet to log the maximum number of each kind of bird at any one moment (*ie if you see 3 magpies at once, write the 3, then only log more if you see a larger number of magpies at another time during your hour. If you only then see magpies in 1s or 2s, the highest number stays as 3*). To give your data to the RSPB go to www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch and type in your results.

Please also bring your sheet in for the Moorlands Meteors ECOteam to look at.
We will report on your data via the ECOboard near the library.

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