



Moorlands Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a wonderful half term holiday. We have another exciting half term planned, with many visitors and trips to enhance our curriculum. This half term is off to a great start with a visit from poet, Conrad Burdekin. Don't forget that next week is our World Book Week. See below for further information.

House Points

Oak	496
Willow	479
Birch	480
Sycamore	409

The results for last week were:

The winning House was Oak with 496 points which means they have their second leaf on the tree this term. Well done to all the children in Oak House.

A Special Visitor - Conrad Burdekin's Visit To Moorlands Primary School



This week we have been lucky enough to have a local poet visit our school! He shared some of his hilarious poems with the Reception and KS1 children in assembly and also took part in our 'Shelfie' competition for World Book Week. He then spent the rest of the day with Years 5 and 6 creating class poems with the children. They are looking forward to performing them next week during the Parent Open Afternoon. Information has been sent out if you would like to purchase any of Conrad's books. He will be visiting us again on Thursday, 12th March to

create poems with the Years 3 and 4 children. Thanks again to the PTA for funding his visit!

Year 5 Sports Relief Challenge

To celebrate Sports Relief on Friday, 13th March, Year 5 will be aiming to swim the equivalent distance of the English Channel from Dover to Calais. Teachers are also joining in with the children's swimming classes on that morning. Children are asked to make the usual donation of £1 to Sports Relief. However, should anyone wish to gather sponsors for this event, please see your class teacher.

Many thanks, Year 5.



A Message from Meteors ECO Team

We would love Moorlands families to join the WWF's Earth Hour, from 8:30-9:30pm on Saturday, 28th March. This aims to be a global 'switch off' of lights and screens, giving families time to enjoy the night sky and talk together about our impact on our planet's environment. If you decide to join in, please let us know what your family does for their hour, by email (eco@moorlandsprimary.org.uk) or by drawing/writing about it for a display in school. Further information about Earth Hour, including local events, can be found on www.wwf.org.uk.

The 'Shelfie' Reading Challenge

The idea is simple.

Does your child love to read their favourite books in weird and wonderful places?

Do they have any unusual reading buddies?

Would they like to set their own reading challenges or spend time creating the ultimate reading den?

If the answer is 'yes', then get involved. Take a 'Shelfie' photograph and send it into school. We want to know about it!

Happy reading,



World Book Week and Open Afternoon

Next week is our World Book Week in school. Children will be taking part in activities linked to books and reading. We would like to share some of our World Book Week work with parents and carers on Friday, 6th March between 1.30 pm and 3.15pm during an Open Afternoon.

Parents and carers are invited to come into school through the main office entrance and sign in.

You are welcome to come into school at any point from 1.30pm to 3.00pm but we do ask that you leave by 3.15pm so the staff can get the children organised for home time. If you have any issues to discuss with the teachers, please make an appointment rather than discussing it during the Open Afternoon. The car park will be closed during the afternoon, as will the YMCA gate, to ensure the safety of the children. We look forward to seeing you on the day.

Children will be invited to dress up on Thursday, 5th March. Each year group has a themed suggestion for dressing up linked to the book they are studying. However, if children want to dress as a character of their choice this is also fine.

Reception: Reception: World Book Day Costumes - Pirates

As part of our topic "Yo ho ho a pirating we go", during World Book Week we will be focusing on Pirates Love Underpants. During the week we will be making eye patches, hats and pirate accessories. On World Book Day we ask that the children come in non-uniform pirate theme if possible and we will provide accessories we have made in class. We are also inviting Reception parents into school each morning to share a book with their child from (8.45 - 9.15) a letter has been sent with full details as we ask parents to sign up so we can allocate days.

Year 1: World Book Day Costumes - Freestyle!

For World Book Week we will be focussing on a fiction book called Zephyr Takes Flight. This story is all about a little girl who loves aeroplanes! She draws pictures of aeroplanes, builds them out of junk and hopes to fly one! In Year 1, we will be designing and making lots of different aeroplanes using different resources as part of our Come Fly with Me topic. We will also be thinking about writing our own aeroplane adventure stories!

Year 2

Year 2 will be studying 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' during World Book Week. During the week we will be making masks and headbands of key characters for children to wear on our dressing up day. If children wish, they could also wear items related to characters in the book or come in a seaside/sailor themed outfit relating to the book or casual clothes. Children are also welcome to wear an outfit related to a different book.

Year 3

Year 3 will be studying Firebird by Saviour Pirotta. This is an adaption of a traditional Russian folk tale. On World Book Day we would like the children to dress up in bright coloured clothes as we will be making masks and headdresses to turn them into the Firebird. We will be comparing this story to other traditional folk tales and looking at the behaviour of the hero in these stories. The children will also be doing artwork using pastels and chalk in the style of the illustrator Catherine Hyde.

Year 4

Year 4 are covering the text Grace and Family which is based in Africa, so all our work will have an African theme. We will be printing African prints onto old t-shirts which the children can wear on World Book Day, but they can wear their own costume from home if they wish.

Year 5

Year 5 will be focusing on the tale of Beowulf. We would like to encourage children to dress up as a character from Beowulf on Thursday, 5th March. During the week, we will be making character masks and props for a performance during our Open Afternoon, however children can opt out and dress up as a different book character if they wish.

Year 6 - World Book Day Costumes - Freestyle!

For World Book Week, we will be focussing on a fiction book called Fox by Margaret Wild and Ron Brooks. Fox is a typical drama about friendship, loyalty, risk and betrayal and is set in Australia after a bushfire. We will be exploring the personalities of the three main characters Magpie, Fox and Dog. We have planned some interesting writing linked to the text alongside artwork involving paint, oil pastels and monoprinting. We will also be making some animal masks.

We will be parading around the playground at breaktime, so the children can all see each other's creative outfits. The children on school dinners will be having a special Harry Potter themed lunch on 5th March, which should be great fun and looks delicious.

Special Achievements

Jorja, Lola, Evie and Isabela in Year 3 have designed a poster to encourage everyone to stop wasting resources. This includes wasting food and paper. They are going to display their poster in school to encourage others to be more environmentally friendly.



Sporting News



The Sports Crew organised and lead an inclusive event in the hall on Monday, 10th and Tuesday, 11th February for all the children in Year 4.

They were amazing and showed great leadership skills, teamwork and confidence.

All children in Year 4 were invited to take part in an obstacle course and gain points for their own house. Teachers were invited too.



Dates for Your Diary

February

27th February: Strictly Pennine Dance Festival - 7pm

March

2nd March: World Book Week

5th March: World Book Day

6th March: Parent Open Afternoon 1.30pm - 3.15pm

11th March: West Yorkshire Cross Country Final (revised date)

11th March: 20 Lindley Library

12th March: Years 3/4 Conrad Burdekin Poetry Workshop (thank you to the PTA)

13th March: Non-uniform day (sportswear) for Sports Relief -suggested donation £1.

20th March: Year 1 Men Behaving Dadly Morning

27th March: Non-Uniform day – Donations of Easter eggs for the PTA Easter egg bingo

31st March: PTA Easter Egg Bingo (more information to follow)

April

2nd April: Creative Arts Celebration Evening 6pm (more information to follow)

3rd April: Close for Easter

20th April: School Reopens

May

4th -6th May: Year 4 residential to Robinwood Activity Centre (Dobroyd Castle)

4th – 7th May: KS1 SATs week

8th May: Bank holiday Friday – School closed

11th-14th May: KS2 SATs week

19th -22nd May: Year 6 residential to Langdale YHA

22nd May: School closes for half term

June

1st June: INSET DAY – School closed

2nd June: School reopens

4th June: Parents Evening

8th- 12th June: Year 1 Phonics Screening

9th June: Parents Evening

18th June: Race Day and Open Afternoon

July

9 th July:	Year 6 leavers disco
15 th July:	Year 6 leavers performance evening
17 th July:	Reception graduation AM
17 th July:	Year 6 leavers ceremony PM
17 th July:	School closes for the summer.

Remember there are regular updates on Twitter @MoorlandsHudds and on our school website.

www.moorlandsprimary.org.uk

As always, we do have an open-door policy, so if there is anything you would like to speak to us about, please do get in touch.

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TASTER SESSIONS

**RUNNING AFTER SCHOOL EVERY TUESDAY
IN MARCH FROM 4-5PM**

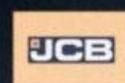
Huddersfield YM Rugby Club in association with the Pennine Sports Partnership are running some taster sessions focusing on school years 1, 2 and 3. The sessions will be delivered by fully qualified RFU Coaches with the aim to teach the basic skill sets for rugby through many fun packed games.

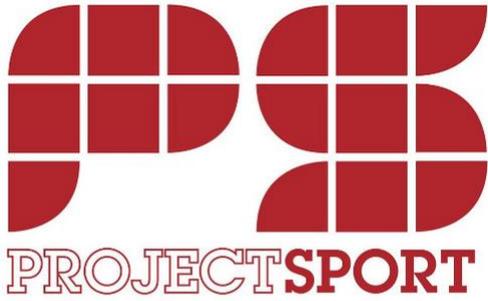
INTERESTED?

To book your school in for these sessions please email seth.penninessp@gmail.com

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