



Moorlands Primary School

High Expectations, High Achievements, Challenge and Enjoyment for All

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back!

It's been wonderful to see everyone returning to school this week, and we hope you all enjoyed a lovely summer.

Thank you for sending children back looking so smart in their uniforms.

As always, our dedicated staff have been busy over the holidays preparing for the year ahead, and the classrooms are looking fantastic. This week, both staff and pupils have been settling into new routines as we begin the term.

A very warm welcome to our 90 new Reception children and their families – we're delighted you've joined the Moorlands community. Please remember, we're always here to help, so don't hesitate to phone, email, or pop into school with any questions or concerns.

We're also excited to welcome Mrs Quinn, who has joined our office team this term!

👏 Congratulations to Our New Behaviour Ambassadors

Just before the holidays, we appointed our brand-new **Behaviour Ambassadors**. The role was advertised to Year 5, and we were delighted with the number of enthusiastic applications we received. After much discussion, eight children were successfully chosen to take on this important responsibility.

Our ambassadors are: **Khobi C, Joshua J, Kai N, Ryder G, Gracie F, Izzy S, Willow G, Lydia H**

Our Behaviour Ambassadors will:

- Be role models for excellent behaviour across school.
- Welcome and guide visitors around Moorlands.
- Support with positive behaviour monitoring.
- Collect certificates for our new Golden Book

We are very proud of our new ambassadors and look forward to seeing them make a real difference in school life.



Our Behaviour Policy

Our three school rules are ready, respectful and safe. These three rules can be applied to everything we do at Moorlands (including travelling to and from school) and, this week, the children have been reminded of this. All the information can be found on our website: <https://new.express.adobe.com/webpage/OUlslanAE9yXo>



☀️ Our New School Parliament

At Moorlands, we now have a **School Parliament** instead of a School Council. This works like the UK Parliament and helps children have a real say in school life.

📁 How it works

- Each class (Years 1–5) has **1 MP**, and Year 6 has **2 MPs per class** (also representing Reception).
- MPs meet once a half term to share ideas and feedback from classmates.
- Ideas are passed on to **Select Committees** to be developed.

🧠 Select Committees

There are four committees:

📖 Reading 🌍 Eco 😊 Wellbeing & Active ❤️ Community

Children in Years 5 & 6 can also apply to join these groups.

🗣️ Sharing

At the end of each term, the **Committee Chairs** will update the whole school in assembly.

🌟 **Together, pupils will help improve our school and learn how their voices can make a difference!**

Before and After School Reminders

Just a few reminders about procedures for before and after school. Children are welcome to come onto the playground, as long as they are supervised by an adult, from 8.30am. The doors open from 8.45am, when the children will be welcomed in by our staff, ready to start the day. Can we remind families that the car park is for staff only and cannot be used by parents. We have 93 staff and 68 car parking spaces. To keep everyone safe we need to reduce movement in the carpark when children are on site. If you do have to drive to drop off and collect children, please park considerately, keeping driveways and other access points clear so that our neighbours can easily reach or leave their homes.

🚶🚲 Active Travel at Moorlands

We are delighted to have achieved our ModeShift Award. This award recognises our work towards safe, sustainable, and active travel. We gained our 'Very Good' level of accreditation, and we are now working towards 'Excellent'. We encourage families, where possible, to walk, scoot or cycle to school. This helps get the children ready for the day, improves health and the environment.

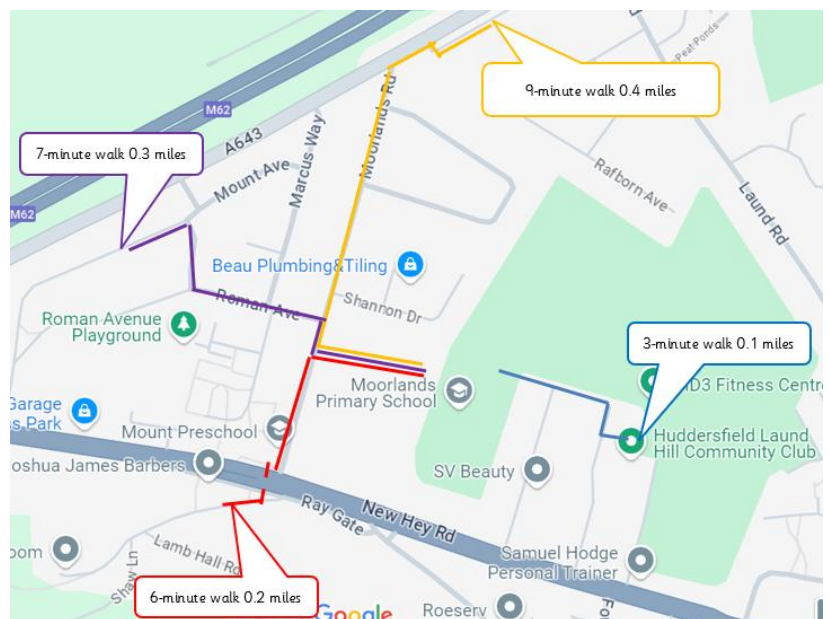
Park and Stride

Families travelling by car are encouraged to use our Park and Stride facility at the Laund Road Community Club car park, entering and leaving via the back pathway.

🚗❌ Anti-Idling – Please Turn Your Engine Off

Last year, our pupils led a passionate campaign to raise awareness about the dangers of **idling engines**. When car engines are left running outside school, they create unnecessary air pollution which can damage the environment and affect children's health. We kindly ask all parents and carers to **switch off engines while waiting** at drop-off and pick-up times. This simple action helps keep the air around our school cleaner and healthier for everyone.

Thank you for supporting our children in making Moorlands a greener, safer place.



Walking, Scooting and Cycling

Walking, scooting and cycling are brilliant ways for children to stay healthy, arrive at school ready to learn, and help the environment. However, to keep everyone safe:

🚫 Bikes and scooters (including balance bikes and trikes) must not be ridden on the path or in the playground — please push them at all times.

📵 Children cycling or scooting must wear a helmet. Helmets are essential in reducing the risk of serious head injury and should be worn on every journey, no matter how short.

Bike Loan Scheme

We also have four school bikes (Year 2/3 size) available to loan, complete with helmets and free annual servicing. Families can borrow a bike until their child outgrows it, then return it for another child to enjoy. If you're interested, please contact the school office.



Year 6 Gym Equipment in the Bottom Playground

Please can we remind children and parents about not playing on gym equipment with young children after/before school. The equipment is designed for older children and the Year 6 children have been trained this week to use it safely.

Uniform

It is lovely to see the children looking so smart on their return to school. Please can you make sure all uniform and coats are named, as it is very difficult to return items that are not named. We already have lost property after three days. Also, please can you make sure children have a waterproof coat and a filled, named water bottle daily. PE kits need to be in school on PE days, please make sure the PE kit includes hair bobbles for long hair and tape for earrings, if needed

Year 6 Transfer to High School – September 2026

Please note that if your child is starting secondary school in September 2026, you must apply online between 1st September and 31st October 2025. Late applications can severely reduce your chances of getting a school place at any of your preferred schools. Once you have made your application, please notify Moorlands of your first choice.

Kirklees parents/carers apply online via this link [Apply for a secondary school place | Kirklees Council](#)

Allergies

We have children in school with severe nut allergies. Just a reminder that we are a nut free school. Please ensure you do not send any food into school with any type of nut in the ingredients. Please carefully check the content of biscuits and cereal bars.

🚶 WOW – The Walk to School Challenge is Back!

We're delighted to announce the return of *Living Streets' WOW – the walk to school challenge*. This fun, pupil-led programme encourages children to experience the benefits of walking, wheeling, cycling or scooting to school.

How it works:

- Children record how they travel to school each day.
- If they travel actively at least once a week for a month, they earn a WOW badge.

Why take part?

- Children feel healthier and happier.
- They arrive refreshed and ready to learn.
- Reduces congestion and pollution at the school gates.

Can't walk the whole way?

- *Park and Stride*: Park at Laund Road Community Club or 10 minutes away.

- *Public transport*: Hop off at least 10 minutes away and walk the rest.

WOW badges 2025/26.

- 11 pupil-designed badges to collect across the school year.
- This year's theme is *Walk with Joy*.
- Made sustainably in Cornwall from recycled plastics.

Last year, over 2,100 schools and 540,000 pupils took part—let's join them!

👉 For more information, visit *WOW Launch - Supporting Materials* or contact office@moorlandsprimary.org.uk.

Let's swap school runs for school walks!

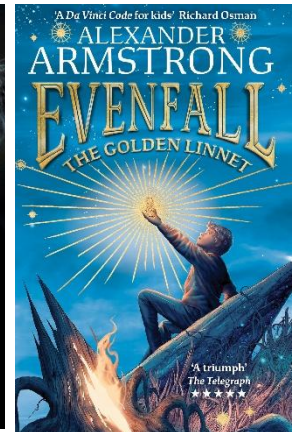
Exciting Author Visit!

Guess what? TV star **Alexander Armstrong** has written his very first children's book – *Evenfall: The Golden Linnet* – and he's coming to **The Children's Bookshop in Lindley** on **Wednesday 10th**

September at 4.30pm to sign copies! 👍 ✨

The story is full of **magic, mystery and adventure**.

Sam is about to turn 13 when he discovers he has magical powers. But what do they mean? And why must he find the mysterious **Golden Linnet**? His journey takes him through the North of England, with dangerous enemies, secret societies, and a big finale in **Durham Cathedral!**



Perfect for anyone in **Years 5–8** who loves *Harry Potter*, *Percy Jackson*, *Skandar* or *His Dark Materials*.

🇬🇧 Tickets cost **£8.99** (that's the price of the book – and you get a copy!).

👉 [Click here to book your ticket](#)

Can't go? Don't worry – you can still order a signed copy by phoning **01484 658013** or emailing sales@childrensbookshuddersfield.co.uk.

🎷 **XO Girlband Visit – Tuesday 16th September performs for KS2**

We are very excited to welcome **XO**, a UK girlband passionate about promoting diversity, body positivity and emotional wellbeing, to **Moorlands Primary School**. This special event has been generously funded by our wonderful PTA.

XO—made up of Emmy, Shali, Summer, Reanna and Zoe—take inspiration from the *Spice Girls*, Sabrina Carpenter and Tate McRae, and have worked with leading names in pop music including LostBoy, Steve Mac and Ryan Tedder. More importantly, the group are committed to using their voices and experiences to inspire young people.

During their visit, XO will not only perform but also lead an engaging and heartfelt session with pupils.

They will share their own personal journeys around:

- 🌟 **Mental Health** – encouraging children to speak up and look after their emotional wellbeing
- 💙 **Body Image** – promoting body positivity, self-acceptance and resilience
- 🤝 **Equality & Inclusion** – celebrating diversity and tackling discrimination

Having already visited over 70 schools across the UK and Asia, XO bring with them a powerful message: *“Five Girls, One Goal – Girl Power!”*

We look forward to what promises to be an inspiring, memorable and uplifting experience for our pupils. A big thank you again to the PTA for making this event possible.

Parent Helpers

Can you spare a morning or afternoon each week? Would you like to help in school?

At Moorlands, we value parent/carer help in school and recognise it has an impact on those involved. If you can offer your support in any way this year, it would be appreciated.

Please complete the volunteer application form below and we will be in touch soon.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Lw8ztcts7V>

🎵 Join the Young Voices Choir – 10 Places Left! 🎵

We are so excited to be part of **Young Voices 2026**, the world's largest children's choir, performing at the **Co-op Live Arena** in Manchester on **Thursday 5th February 2026**.

This is a fantastic opportunity for children in **Years 3–6** to sing, dance, and be part of an unforgettable concert alongside thousands of other young voices!

- ✦ Weekly rehearsals: Wednesday lunchtimes in school
- ✦ Learn amazing songs and dance routines
- ✦ Perform at Manchester's Co-op Live Arena with 7000 singers!
- ✦ Be part of the 30th year celebration of Young Voices!

There are only **10 spaces left** – so don't miss out!

If your child is interested, please book on via ParentPay.

Summer Reading Challenge

A big thank you and well done to all of you who have completed the Summer reading challenge over the holidays. Just a reminder that all completed challenge sheets need to be returned to school by Friday 5th September as we will be doing the prize draw on Monday 8th. Remember everyone that has completed the challenge will receive a certificate and be entered into a prize draw with a chance to win a £10 book voucher.



PTA Meeting

Our first meeting is on Tuesday 16th September, 7.30pm at the Dusty Miller, Longwood. Everyone is welcome to come along - we will be planning out our events for the year.





If you are interested in getting involved in the PTA you can email us to find out more information - moorlands.primary.pta@outlook.com, and find us on Facebook and Instagram: [moorlands_primary_pta](#) for information about our events!

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 9 th September	Year 6 Royal Armouries visit.
Monday 15 th September	Year 4 Cliffe House Parent meeting 4.45pm in Year 4 classrooms
Tuesday 16 th September	7.30pm PTA meeting at the Dusty Miller, Longwood
Thursday 2 nd October	Tempest Individual photographs
Friday 17 th October	Yr.2 Harvest Assembly for parents 9.15am
Friday 24 th October	Yr.4 Diwali Assembly for parents 9.15am
Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st	Half term holiday
Monday 3 rd November	Teacher training day- school closed.
Tuesday 4 th November	School re-opens for the Autumn B half term
Wednesday 12 th and 19 th November	Parents' Evening

Keep up to date with all the latest news, events, and celebrations by following us on Instagram [@MoorlandsHudds](https://www.instagram.com/MoorlandsHudds) and visiting our school website: www.moorlandsprimary.org.uk.

We regularly share:

-  Important school announcements
-  Photos and highlights from school events
-  Student achievements and celebrations
-  Key dates and reminders for parents & carers.

As always, we have an **open-door policy** – if there's anything you'd like to discuss, please don't hesitate to reach out. We value our school community and are always here to support you!



NETTY STARS

**BRAND NEW
SESSION !**

NETBALL COACHING

For children in
school years 3,4 & 5
as of September 2025

Fridays
Huddersfield New College
HD3 4GL
5-6pm

Run by experienced,
qualified Netball coaches



Email to enquire
nettystars@outlook.com

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Learn new skills

Build confidence

Teamwork



Have fun

Play games

**TRIAL
SESSIONS
AVAILABLE**



TERRIER 7s

SPECIAL LIMITED OFFER FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR 2 AT SCHOOL!

born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019



Terrier 7s offers the perfect opportunity to introduce young supporters to Huddersfield Town

WHAT DO YOU GET?

- Your very own 2025/26 replica home shirt
- Tickets to a home EFL League One game
- Pitch side meet and greet with Terry the Terrier



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£35

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If your child is 7 years old this academic year:

- Simply visit htafc.com
- Search 'Terrier 7s' or scan the QR Code
- Purchase your package for just £35



For more info visit htafc.com/tickets/7s



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TOGETHER**



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AT HUDDERSFIELD NEW COLLEGE

NEW HEY ROAD, HUDDERSFIELD, HD3 4GL

STARTING TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2025

(NEW PLAYERS CAN JOIN AT ANYTIME DURING THE YEAR (PROVIDING PLACES ARE AVAILABLE))



Group 1	5:30pm – 6:30pm	Ages 4 - 6
Group 2	6:30pm – 7:30pm	Ages 7 - 8
Group 3	7:30pm – 8:30pm	Ages 9 +

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that following the success of previous year's courses we are expanding the football coaching programme for the season. The course will run on a weekly basis **EVERY TUESDAY** during school term times.

All of our courses are run by F.A. QUALIFIED COACHES INCLUDING EX-PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS. All of our coaches have been DBS/CRB POLICE CHECKED. The course is open to boys and girls aged between 4 and 13. All abilities are catered for with total beginners introduced through FUN and confidence building practices. The course is tightly structured to ensure all aspects of football skills are developed.

At the end of the term (usually 10-15 weeks) every child will receive an engraved merit trophy and course certificate, with chances to win extra trophies including penalty shoot out, american shoot out and champions league competitions.

The cost of the course is £7.50 per week, which is payable every four weeks (£30) with the first payment due on week one. Parents are welcome to stay and watch however the club is fully supervised so children may be left in our care. We have the use of excellent facilities with the course held indoors in the large sports hall.

**TO BOOK A PLACE ON TO THE COURSE PLEASE TEXT
'HUDDERSFIELD' + CHILD'S NAME & AGE + GROUP TO;**

07846 770 250