



Moorlands Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

What a whirlwind of excitement it has been! We rounded off last week with a fantastic Rock Steady performance and were delighted to welcome local artist Helaina Sharpley, who brought creativity and inspiration to our year 5 and 6 children. The sound of Christmas cheer is echoing through the corridors as rehearsals fill the air with song and tomorrow marks the start of our first dress rehearsals.

As we head into the final week of term, the calendar is bursting with festive fun: seven performances to enjoy, Christmas dinner on Thursday, and Christmas jumper day on Friday. Add in a sprinkle of parties and plenty of learning, and it promises to be a truly action-packed finale to the term!

Our Community Committee are also looking forward to hosting their Christmas Community Café on Friday afternoon, welcoming elderly members of our community for festive treats.

PTA Raffle Tickets

Thank you so much to everyone who has already bought raffle tickets! It's not too late to join in:

- You can return money/stubs in the envelope tomorrow.
- Tickets will also be available to buy at the performances next week.

If you don't plan to use your tickets, please send them back to school **as soon as possible** so they can be sold elsewhere. Tickets can be returned via your child's class teacher or handed in at the refreshments stall during the performances.

We really appreciate your support — every ticket helps!

Christmas Tree Donation


As you know, we have a very large, well-looked-after, and truly beautiful Christmas tree in our hall. On the last day of term, we would love to donate the tree to someone who can give it a new home.

If you would like the tree, please contact the school office to arrange collection after school on **Friday 19th December**.



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Rock Steady Bands Performance

The Rock Steady bands performed on Friday morning. The children loved performing and showed the results of their hard work. The event was a simple presentation of their music.

The audience listened carefully and enjoyed the performances.

Thank you to all the performers, families, and supporters who came to watch. We look forward to more performances in the future.



Inspiring Afternoon with Wire Artist Helaina Sharpley

This week, our Year 5 and 6 pupils were treated to a truly inspirational experience when renowned wire artist **Helaina Sharpley** visited the school. The event was part of the **Crafts Council Creative Career Talks**, presented by **Shape North**, which aim to open young minds to the exciting possibilities of creative careers.

During the session, the children learned about Helaina's journey to becoming a professional artist. They explored her intricate wirework, examined her sketchbooks, and gained insight into the creative process behind her unique art form. The pupils were eager to ask questions, and Helaina generously shared her experiences, challenges, and inspirations.

The afternoon sparked curiosity and creativity, leaving the children with a deeper appreciation of the arts and the many paths a creative career can take. It was a memorable opportunity to connect classroom learning with real-world artistry, and one that will undoubtedly inspire our budding young creatives for years to come.



✦ Committee News ✦

Our committees have been incredibly busy this term, making a real difference across the school. On Monday, the chairs and vice-chairs bravely stood up in assembly to share all the fantastic work they've been doing. They've listened carefully to children's suggestions and turned them into action:

- Community Committee: Created items to raise money at the Christmas productions and organised (and baked for!) the Christmas Community Café taking place tomorrow.
- Eco Committee: Ran a "Reflector – Be Bright, Be Seen" shop to help children stay safe in the dark, wrote to the council campaigning for a bin on Moorlands Road to stop dog poo bags being thrown onto the school field, carried out litter picking around school and local paths, launched a "Switch Off" campaign to save energy, and begun a sustainability plan.
- Reading Committee: Set up a buddy system where older children read with younger ones, started planning for World Book Week (watch this space!), and are working towards running competitions and designing a school reading mascot.
- Wellbeing & Active Committee: Identified the need for a friendship bench (funded by the PTA and arriving soon), filled the school with positive affirmations, started a whole-school affirmation book, planned a walking group, and appealed for board games to play in Summersville at lunchtime.

What a fantastic start to the year! Their energy, creativity, and commitment are helping to make our school an even better place to learn and grow.

Fund Raising During the Christmas Performances

Our wonderful PTA will be selling refreshments during all our performances and, for the first time this year, the Community committee will have a Christmas stall. They will be selling, hot chocolate reindeer cones and reindeer treat bags. They have worked hard to make the items, so please support them if you can. All the money raised by both the School Parliament and the PTA goes straight back into school to provide extra resources and opportunities for the children.



Christmas Performance Parking

We are so excited to welcome parents into school to watch the Christmas Performances next week but we would like to remind parents that we are unable to provide parking within the school car park during daytime performances. Please plan enough time when arriving to find parking elsewhere and walk down to the hall.

Food Bank

Our Huddersfield Town Foundation Foodbank will be by the hall entrance during the performances, and it would be wonderful if food donations could be made by families and friends attending the performances. We are aiming to have a full bin by the end of term.

Shout Outs

Well done to Freddie in 2J who received a man for the match award last week from his football team Golcar United. This was for his recent football games against Gomersal. Even though the team lost the game, Freddie showed super effort, determination and great sportsmanship. Well done, Freddie!



Sporting News

Yesterday, our Year 5 and 6 football teams took part in the Floodlit Cup at Laund Hill. The boys' team went unbeaten with two wins and two draws, qualifying for the next round. Freddie in 5W earned Player of the Match for his fantastic performance and sportsmanship.

The girls' team narrowly missed out on qualifying by two points, with two losses and two draws, but celebrated their first goal, scored by Grace in 6S, who also received Player of the Match.

As always thank you to Mr Cannon for coaching and to Mr Hamilton for helping the girls' team with refereeing and coaching.

On Tuesday, we headed to Salendine Nook to take part in the KS1 Multi Sports event. A huge well done to those who took part, they were all excellent representative of Moorlands. Keep up the fantastic work!



Moorlands Star Writer of the Week

Iris has been doing some fantastic independent writing during busy time. She chose to complete the Christmas list challenge this week. She looked at the pictures hiding under each present and then wrote the word to match. Iris sounded out each word independently, listening for initial, middle and final sounds.

All work chosen for Moorlands Star Writer of the Week will be shared on the school website and can be found under the 'Curriculum' tab on the website's main page.

Be sure to keep checking our newsletter and website to see who will be the next Moorlands Star Writer!



Behaving the Moorlands Way and Learner of the Week Awards

Each week, two special certificates are awarded in every class: Behaving the Moorlands Way and Learner of the Week. These awards are given to students who consistently demonstrate excellent behaviour and a fantastic attitude towards learning, always doing their best. We are thrilled to announce the recipients of this week's awards.

Class	Award winner		Class	Award winner		Class	Award winner	
	Behaving the Moorlands Way	Learner of the week		Behaving the Moorlands Way	Learner of the week		Behaving the Moorlands Way	Learner of the week
DD	Roman	Idris	2S	Will	Esme	4H	Theo V-G	Amelia
HH	Oliver	Bella	2M	Luca	Mia-Rose	5W	Tabitha	Emily
SS	Mason	Vihaan	3M	Lucas	Ayyub	5G	Rex	Faris
1P	Harper	Evelyn W	3HS	Paisley	Leo	5F	Ronnie	Jack
1K	Charlotte	Hamzah K	3S	Georgie	Pippa	6T	Amelia	Aiden
1SO	Orla	Bella	4CM	Bianca	Ralfie	6C	Niamh	Joshua
2J	Imogen	Freddie	4W	Hugo	Nylah	6S	Miley	Ella

Laund Hill Car Park

We have been notified that the car park will be undergoing resurfacing work on **Friday 12th December 2025**.

Parents should still be able to access the car park in the morning, although there may be some heavy work vehicles on site. The work is expected to finish at approximately **3:00pm**.

Parents, please note: The car park **may NOT be accessible** at home time if the work overruns.





Dates for Your Diary

Monday 15 th December	Yr.1/2 Christmas performance 2.30pm
Tuesday 16 th December	Yr.1/2 Christmas performance 9.15am
Tuesday 16 th December	Reception Christmas performance 2.40pm
Wednesday 17 th December	Yr.3/4 Christmas performance 9.15am
Wednesday 17 th December	Yr.5/6 Christmas performance 2.40pm
Thursday 18 th December	Yr.3/4 Christmas performance 5pm
Thursday 18 th December	Yr.5/6 Christmas performance 6.20pm
Friday 19 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 19 th December	Break up for the Christmas holidays

Monday 5 th January	School re-opens
Tuesday 13 th January	KS2 School Parliament trip to meet the mayor at the town hall
Thursday 5 th February	Young Voices Choir singing at Manchester Co-op Arena
Thursday 12 th February	Close for half term
Thursday 12 th February	PTA Disco
Friday 13 th February	Teacher training day- school closed for pupils.
Monday 23 rd February	School reopens
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
10 th -11 th March	Parliament London trip
Tuesday 17 th March	Year 5 parent assembly
Tuesday 21 st March	PTA Easter Egg Bingo
Friday 27 th March	Yr.1 Parent assembly
Friday 27 th March	Break up for the Easter Holidays.

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!



GIRLS RUGBY RECRUITING NOW



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U12 GIRLS RUGBY NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!!



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NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED**

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*Exp: 31/12/25

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 Come and give rugby a TRY at Laund Hill!
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 We have teams for girls aged 4-16

CONTACT | Andy 07709347853 | DoR@HLHRUFC.co.uk




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The Zone | St Andrew's Rd
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- A £3,000 skills recognition payment for experienced foster carers transferring to us
- A £500 annual thank-you gift to show our appreciation for everything you do

What You'll Need

- A spare bedroom
- Experience of caring for or raising children
- A willingness to learn, grow, and make a difference

We're not corporate. We're not complicated. We're just a team of real people who care deeply about children, families, and the foster carers who make it all possible.



Let's talk, get in touch today for a no pressure chat

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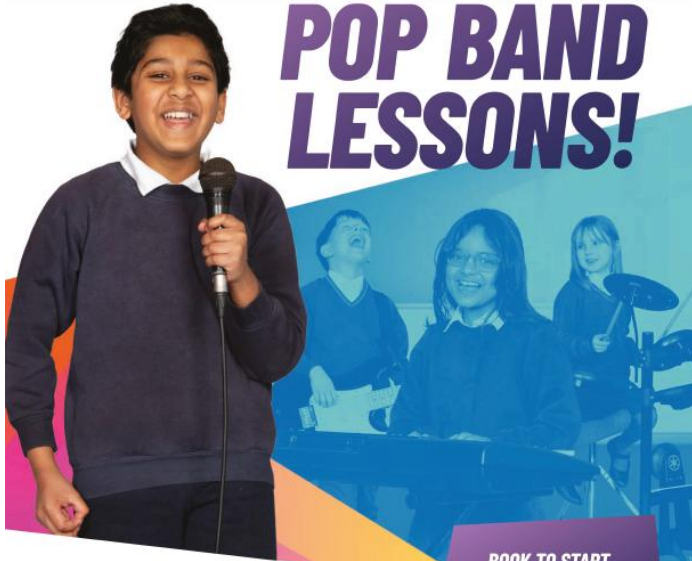
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AT HUDDERSFIELD NEW COLLEGE

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STARTING TUESDAY 6TH JANUARY 2026

(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 - 12

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 12. 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

Steven Nugent (Course Co-ordinator)