



Moat Hall Headlines



OUR SCHOOL

As you are aware, we had Ofsted inspectors in school last week for two days. I am awaiting the report and when this is received I will be inviting parents in for a meeting to discuss the outcomes. In the meantime, I would like to say how proud I am of our children, and the staff, for all their continued hard work and commitment to our school. Everyone is doing a marvellous job and we thank parents for your support.

In March, members of our choir will be representing the school at Voice in a Million at Wembley. They are busy rehearsing the songs and dance routines and are looking forward to this new experience. I know they are going to be fabulous and create some wonderful memories. We will showcase their talents later on in the year.

Other planned highlights of this academic year will be Bollywood Dancing and African Drumming workshops, Olympic and European football themed events, visits to the Big Bang Exhibition at the NEC and the London Theatre trip. All of these experiences will support the children's learning in the classroom and offer a variety of opportunities for the children's enjoyment.

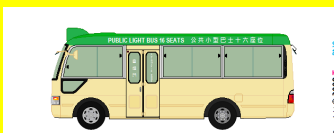


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EMERGENCY TRANSPORT PROVISION

We have now launched our transport provision to assist those parents who are having difficulty getting their children into school. This may be because of parental illness, transport problems or hospitalisation. This is intended to be for emergency situations only and is not restricted to your location to school or free school meal eligibility. If this service may be of help to you at any time, please complete a permission form, available from the school office. Requests for pick ups should be telephoned to the school office before 9 a.m. Children will be collected from home in the minibus by 2 staff members.



BREAKFAST CLUB

As you know, school runs a breakfast club for children from 8.20 a.m. in the school hall. The cost is £1 for breakfast items and should be paid in advance on parentpay.

However, if your child is arriving in school at 8.20 a.m. but has already had breakfast, then this school childcare should be taken in extended services.

PRE-TEACH

This begins at 8.15 am for Year 6 only (they are to go directly to the Y6 classroom to Mrs Robinson) and 8.30 am for all other year groups. Children can come at 8.20 a.m. for breakfast club beforehand.

CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ADMITTED INTO SCHOOL BEFORE THE ALLOCATED TIMES.




RECEPTION ADMISSIONS

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2020, you MUST make an application to Staffordshire County Council Admissions for their school place. The deadline has now passed so please collect a form from the school office and we will process it for you or alternatively contact school admissions on 0300 111 8007 or email admissions@staffordshire.gov.uk.



ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance and arriving at school on time has a real impact on children's learning and behaviour. Attendance is monitored rigorously in school and unauthorised absences may be subject to a penalty notice being issued. If your child cannot come to school, please contact the school office and let us know. Attendance for each class should be at least 96%. See how your child's class is doing below. **Remember doors open at 8.45 a.m.**

RNM	95%
REB	88%
IMC	95%
2LG	96%
2KF	95%
3SB	97% 
3CW	97% 
4JP	95%
4LD	97% 
5JC	96%
6HS	93%

COMMUNICATION

After half term we will be changing the way we communicate with you. We will be reducing the amount of paper copies of letters sent out unless these are specifically requested. Letters will be sent via email to the first contact on your child's records. Consent for trips will be found on your parentpay account. Hard copies will be available from the school foyer and also to download from the website.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL AND PARENTPAY ACCOUNTS REGULARLY.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

January

Events

Thursday 30th Chinese New Year Lunch
Y4 Trip Parents meeting

February

Events

Wednesday 5th Author Visit

Friday 7th EYFS/KS1 Parents' Event

Thursday 13th Valentine Lunch and Discos

Friday 14th Break Up

Monday 24th School Re-opens
Tuesday 25th Y3 Swimming starts
Thursday 27th Bikeability Y5/6
Friday 28th Bikeability Y5/6

GRANDPARENTS' LUNCHES

It is lovely to see so many grandparents having lunch in school with the children.



Please ensure that your booking is made on parentpay within the timescale stated. Unfortunately, once the deadline is passed no further bookings will be taken. Meals must be ordered and paid for in advance of attendance by the date stated on the letter and on parentpay. Thank you.

Aces Activity Camps—February Half Term

At Yates Sports and Social Club 9.00 am—3.30 pm £13 per day. A variety of activities including football, gymnastics, arts and crafts, dodgeball and dance. Contact 07960 655954 or email Acesactivitycamps@outlook.com for further information. 10% discount if booked before Jan 24th.