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Head Teachers Message

Welcome back to a new school year here at Moat Hall! It is lovely to see our children return to school and a big welcome to our new children along with their families. Well done to all the children for settling back into routine so quickly.

Welcome to our new teachers joining us. We have Miss Hughes in 1Tutbury, Miss McVinnie in 3Cambridge, Miss Slater in 4Skipton and Miss Barrow in 5Holyrood. I know they already feel part of the Moat Hall family. It is always so lovely to meet you all and I hope you are all settling into your new school.

A big thank you to all those children who took part in our special census day lunch, I could not believe the turn out and have never seen so many pizza slices before!

We are busy preparing for events during this school year and you will find more information in the diary section below.

Open Day! We are hosting an open day on Saturday 21st October from 10am-11:30am this is for any prospective new parents who are interested in joining Moat Hall. There will be Year 6 ambassadors to show parents around the school, as well as showcasing art, reading, forest school, Children's University and of course our wonderful Early Years department. If you know any parents that may be interested in joining Moat Hall, could you pass this date onto them.



Mrs. King

Attendance

It is important that children attend school EVERY DAY! However, we understand that children do get sick! Please ensure that your child is on time every day, gates are open at 8:30am until 8:50am. If you child is unwell please use the Absence Class Dojo to inform Mrs. Hutton of your child's absence. You will need to contact **every** morning that they are absent.

Whole school attendance

RLM	94.01%	RVS	93.3%
1 Chester	98.5%	1 Tutbury	97.22%
2 Dudley	96.14%	2 Rose	93.87%
3 Cambridge	92.22%	3 Oxford	94.64%
4 Pendragon	93.35%	4 Skipton	93.42%
5 Holyrood	94.25		
6 Aberystwyth	94.11%	6 Cardiff	95.83%

EYFS	95.64
Key Stage 1	96.62
Key Stage 2	94.06
Whole School	95.14%

We mention this in every newsletter that the national target for schools is set at 96%. Already this term is below where we need to be. Please can I ask that we all make an effort to improve on this and ensure your child is attending every day.

Year 6 - Senior School Applications

Places - September 2024

Letters were distributed to students at the beginning of September to those who live under Staffordshire county in regards to applying for their year 7 high school placement.

Students who live outside of this area will receive a letter from their respective counties via post.

Applications are to be made via your counties school admission team and will close 31st October 2023. Any applications received by the school will be returned to the student.

School Updates

During the school holidays we took advantage of this time to make some improvements to our school facilities.

We have had a major overhaul of our IT infrastructure which has made a huge difference to our teachers and children.

Key stage one had a much-needed refurbishment to their class rooms. They have had new doors and cupboards along with brand new desks and chairs. They look lovely!

Miss Reed- Jones is making a lot of head way with our Forest School with lots of exciting projects to come over the school year.

A new break out area has been created where our old library used to be. Thank you to all the helpers who have made this space special.



Staff News!

Miss Porter welcomed a beautiful baby girl called Nancy during the six weeks holiday. Congratulations from everyone here at Moat Hall.



Get Social!

If you are new to our school make to give us a follow! Facebook, Twitter and of course our website. Don't forget our in-school apps; Teachers to Parents, Class DOJO and School Money.



Dates for your diary



(Dates below are subject to change)

October

- 10th Yr 3 & 4 Cross country event - 4:15pm
PE sponsored event
- 13th Reception parent phonic workshop - 2pm
FGT Cross country event
- 18th Yr 6 Grandparent lunch
- 19th Harvest Festival EYFS, REC & Yr1 - at school - 9:30am
- 20th Harvest Festival KS1 - 9:30am, KS2 - 1:30pm, both at St Marks Church
- 21st School open day - 10-11:30am
- 25th Yr 5 & 6 Girls football - Cheslyn Hay - 3:45pm
- 26th Halloween Disco - KS1 3:30pm, KS2 4:45pm
- 27th Inset day
- 30th Half term - one week

November

- 7th & 8th Yr 6 - Bikeability
- 15th Yr5 - Bikeability

16th	Yr4 Bake sale
15th	Flu vaccinations
17th	Children in Need (Non-uniform day) FGT Choir- at Great Wyrley Academy, 6pm
22nd	Yr5 Grandparent lunch
23rd	Yr 5 & 6 Dodge ball, at St Johns Primary
24th	Yr 1 Parent phonic workshop, 9am
28th	Whole School Parents evening
29th	Yr 3 & 4 Futsal 5-a-side, 4:15-5:45pm

December

1st	Christmas fayre
8th	Attendance swim party
13th	Christmas jumper day
14th	Carol concert – further details tbc
15th	Rocksteady concert – further details tbc
18th	Nursery & Reception Nativity KS1 Nativity
20th	Party day
21st	Star of the term End of term - 2pm finish
22nd	Inset day

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RECEPTION OPEN DAY

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Where Children Come First

Come and meet our dedicated teaching staff and tour our facilities, for children starting reception in September 2024.

Children's University

Excellent Phonic Results

Wrap Around Care
Competitively Priced From
Aged 2 Onwards

Dedicated Computing, PE &
Art Teachers

Forest School

Free Funded Afternoon
Sessions For Nursery
Children



Saturday 21st October 2023

10:00am to 11:30am

We look forward to seeing you there!

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