









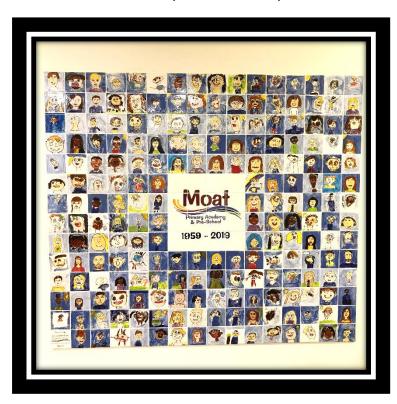


Dear Parents/carers

Welcome back. I hope you all enjoyed the summer break.

The children have returned to school looking smart and smiley! We are looking forward to a great first half term. We welcome a new teacher, Mrs Millward. Mrs Spendlove and Mrs Millward will be working together in our Y5/6 class and are both Assistant Heads.

Please keep the date sheet at the back of the newsletter and watch out for text messages to update you on events. It is important we have up to date contact details for you. We will be sending home the contact forms so you can fill in all your up to date details. We will be looking at how many email addresses we have and whether parents would prefer letters via email.



Anniversary of Moat

This September Moat has been open for 60 years. The children and staff have created a wonderful Mosaic to celebrate this anniversary. The Gloucestershire Gateway Trust has paid for it. You are welcome to come into the office and ask to view it; it is just next to the front office. The children are very proud of it.

ATTENDANCE

Our whole school target is to have all our children in school 100%. Top three classes each week are highlighted.



We are so excited to see so many children in school on time. The more time your child spends in school the better their progress will be.

This year Children will receive an attendance badge if they have excellent attendance (98+%) each individual big term. This means if your child has a significant illness in one term they can still achieve their attendance badge for the following term if their attendance is excellent. We will still reward 100% and overall attendance at the end of the year.

If you take your child out of school for an appointment, we will need to see a medical appointment card or letter. You must make check-ups after school hours. Remember the doctor and dentist are open after 3.20pm.

Holidays in term time are strictly UNAUTHORISED. Please look at the attendance ladder. It is clear what a difference it can make to your child's education. Missing time from school can leave a child with gaps in their learning which are then very difficult for them to catch up.

Attendance Ladder



If your child has less than 90% attendance this is monitored as **Persistent Absence**. This will greatly affect their ability to make progress with their learning.

Friends of Moat.

It is great to see parents in school helping our children with their learning and trips. It is also important for you to support the PTA so funds can be raised. Every time you help at school the children will benefit. Please come in to school and ask to see MRS BLYTHE in Y6 who will advise you on how you can help.

After School club & Breakfast Club

The After school club is running at Robinswood Primary Academy every day. They are able to take children from Moat who will be walked across by a member of Moat staff at the end of the day.

Please ask in the office for details.

Breakfast club continues at Moat and is £2.20 per day. Please ask if you need support with getting your children into school.

Aldi are running a competition to win sports kit to celebrate the Olympics next year. Please pick up your Team GB sticker whenever you or your family spend £30 in any Aldi store. Bring them into school for our collection.

HOUSES.

Congratulations to TEAK for winning the first week back!

ASH had their house treat from last term and went on a walk to the park.

Congratulations to our new house captains, who are listed below.

Maple – Blue	Oak - Yellow	Ash - Red	Teak - Green
Kiera Johnson	Ptolemy Calderwood	Lily-May Crichton	Amelia Cheape
Kieron Amatobi	Leanna Butler	Lukas Pettigrew	Tyler Bee
Reserve: Casey Goddard	Reserve: Denisa Bundova	Reserve: Keiran Drew	Reserve: Tayton Morrison





SPORT

Congratulations to our new sports captains who will be supporting the P.E. leader to organise house sport events and clubs. They are Casey-May James and Eseoluwa Alabi

WHAT IS THAT SHED FOR?

Moat Primary Academy is introducing a Scrapstore PlayPod to lunchtimes!

Look out for a letter inviting you to the parent talk and family session after school.

Mrs James's class

Please can all Year 1 parents send in slippers and any baby/toddler and 'now' pictures for the Year 1 topic display and lessons this term.

CAR PARK

Great news!

Mr Miles has been clearing the top car park behind Early Years and it should be open next week for everyone to use.

KEY DATES AND EVENTS

Date	Event	
Thursday 19 th September	PTA meeting 12.30pm New members welcome.	
Friday 27 th September	Macmillan coffee morning.	
Monday 7 th October	Individual/family group photos. PTA Disco tickets go on sale.	
Wednesday 9 th October	Harvest Festival. Parents/carers welcome	
Thursday 10 th October	Parent introduction to PlayPod 2.50pm School Hall followed by Stay and Play in the playground.	
Friday 18 th October	National Daily Mile day – Whole school celebration 60 th Anniversary tea/time capsule All welcome.	
Monday 21 st & Tuesday 22 nd October	Parents Evenings	
Wednesday 23 rd October	Spooky Disco – PTA event. Tickets on sale from 7 th Oct.	
Thursday 24 th October	End of term BEST assembly. Parents/carers welcome. 9am Children finish for half term.	
Friday 25 th October	Teachers INSET day – No children in school.	
Monday 28 th – 1 st November	Half Term	
Monday 4 th November	Back to school.	
Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th November	Anti-bullying week.	
Tuesday 12 th November	Odd socks day	
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need dress up day (£1 Donation).	
Monday 18 th – Friday 24 th November	Road Safety Week.	
Tuesday 19 th November	Open Morning. New Reception 2020 intake. 9.00am	
Thursday 21 st November	Open Afternoon. New Reception 2020 intake. 2.30pm	
Friday 22 nd November	Y5 & Y6 to Bristol Hippodrome – The Lion King.	
Wednesday 4 th December	Whole school trip to the Pantomime.	
Friday 6 th December	Christmas Fayre	
Friday 13 th December	Christmas Jumper Day. Christmas dinner (parents invited).	
Friday 20 th December	End of term BEST assembly. Parents/carers welcome. 9am	
Monday 23 rd – Monday 6 th January	Christmas Holidays	
Tuesday 7 th January	Back to School	