

## **Moorlands Junior School Newsletter**

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### Re-opening to all pupils

As you are probably aware, the government produced the guidance for the re-opening of school to all pupils yesterday.

We have looked over the guidance and are busy considering what this means for us at Moorlands. Over the coming weeks we will be working with our board of governors to put plans and risk assessments in place which we will share with you all as soon as we can.

Rest assured, we are looking forward to welcoming children back in September and their safety and well-being will always be our priority.

### **School Uniform**

Marks and Spencer has informed us that while they are experiencing delays, they anticipate that stocks of polo shirts and T-shirts will be replenished during July and Sweatshirts/cardigans during August.

They are also running a 25% off promotion from 2nd July-30th September.

## Stars of the Week

The bubble stars for this week are:

Mr Lake Jessica

Mr Phillips Ollie

Miss Taylor Phoebe

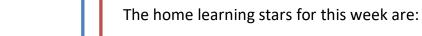
Mrs Wood Ella

Mr Gillam Matthew

Mrs Norbury Isaac

Mrs Kendal and Ismail

Mrs Davidson Bea



3C Evie H

3P Molly L

4C Livia

4L Yahia

WN Olivier

5D Will H

5S Matthew

6G Faith

6T Maya

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### **Home Learners!**

Well done to all of you who have taken part in Mrs McKenna's technical bake off challenge and have sent in photographs of your creations.

Please remember to fill in the short survey form to judge the cakes on the following link: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/lus59stPTXMwLO9SC2svtygCR4IZ7ZAxT4XeTJcITD8c/edit">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/lus59stPTXMwLO9SC2svtygCR4IZ7ZAxT4XeTJcITD8c/edit</a>

We are sensing an increasing level of frustration among the parents who are still faced with the difficult task of home schooling their children and are having numerous enquiries about live lessons and lessons by video. Currently, this is not possible to facilitate— we are working to our absolute capacity in terms of staffing and have no spare capacity during the working day for teachers to deliver/record live lessons as they are teaching and covering lunch breaks. Our local school cluster in Sale also took the decision not to offer these for safeguarding reasons- we (and you) would have no control over what children could potentially be exposed to from other houses in terms of language and the behaviour of other household members.

In terms of the timing of feedback to work on Google Classroom, we do have some members of staff who are shielding and working from home, which means that these classes have been receiving feedback quicker than those whose class teacher is teaching all day and then go on to address home-learning issues after the normal school day. Unfortunately, this is the best arrangement we can make in the current circumstances.

All families should have now received a welfare call from their class teacher, as well as weekly dojo messages which have been ongoing throughout the pandemic.

Please believe that we share your frustrations with the current situation but hope you realise that we have been working hard throughout to offer practical solutions to problems we never thought we would have to face in our careers and to respond to the needs of our community whilst keeping everyone (children, their families and our staff) as safe as possible.

