



Moorlands Junior School Newsletter

Working Together, Inspiring and Nurturing Everyone to Achieve and Grow

8th September 2023

Welcome Back!

It was so lovely to welcome you all back after the summer holidays along with welcoming all our new families.

We hope you had an enjoyable and restful summer and are ready for the excitement and challenges of a new school year.

All of the new children have settled into their new classes and it already feels like they've always been here.

We are delighted with the new extension and all children have had the opportunity to visit the new hall studio and art/DT space which has been very exciting. We will be holding a short open evening soon to give you all the chance to have a look round and also to meet the new staff team-watch out for the date coming up.

We have welcomed Mr Gilmartin (3G) as our new assistant head, Miss Turner (3T), Miss Evans (5E), Mrs Richardson (in 4O with Mrs Osborne), Miss Taylor (5T) and Miss Harding (6H) to our team. They have all settled in well and are enjoying being part of the MJS family. They can be found outside their class doors every morning and afternoon-be sure to give them a wave.



Stars of the week

3C	Nicholas
3G	Isobel
3T	Freya
4E	Poppy J
4F	Ava
4O	Robyn
WN	Luke
5D	Theo
5P	Justin
5T	Esme
6B	Carmen
6C	Georgia
6H	Martha



Dates for your diary

Friday: 15th September: 6C Class assembly

**Monday 18th September: after school clubs start
(please note choir, music makers and peripatetic music lessons may have different arrangements)**

Thursday: 21st September: Individual & siblings Photograph day

Tuesday 26th September: European day of languages

Thursday 5th October-Friday 6th October: Y5 residential to Winmarleigh Hall

Friday 20th October: Break up for half term

Tuesday 31st October: Back to school

Thursday: 21st December: Break up end of term

Monday 8th January: Back to school

We will try to keep you informed of new dates as early as possible. New dates will appear on the date list in bold.

Parking and Safe Driving Reminder

Please can we remind all parents to park respectfully and carefully on the streets around school.

We realise that it is a busy time of the day with a lot of people rushing to get to work etc. but the safety of children and the wider community must come first.

Thank you for your support in this matter.



After School Clubs

At Moorlands we pride ourselves on the quantity and variety of after school clubs we offer. Some of our clubs are run by external providers and others by our wonderful staff team who volunteer their time after school.

Letters detailing our after school clubs for this term will be sent out this evening. Clubs will start the week beginning 18th September. We are excited that our school grounds now enable us to be able to offer basketball/netball club once again and are also offering a new dance club, yoga and a badminton club on a trial period as well as the usual favourites.

Please note: to ensure equity for all children we limit the clubs to one per child in the first instance. Should there be surplus places these are then allocated.

Please note that all children will not be allowed to walk home alone from after school clubs and should be collected by an adult promptly at 4.30pm (or the X Club by arrangement).

Photograph Day

Thursday 21st September is our individual and sibling photograph day. We will arrange for all siblings in the school to be photographed together. If families have children at other schools and you would like them to be photographed together, the photographer will be available in school from 8.15am.

Please note that all children will be the responsibility of parents until 8.45am and there will be no school staff supervising this.

Thank you.

School Ministries

At MJS we have a system of ministries designed to give the children an opportunity to have a say in issues concerning the school. We have a Home Office, a Ministry of Education, Ministry of Mental Health and Wellbeing, Ministry of the Environment and a Ministry of Transport.

Each class appoints a minister for each role and this week children have been campaigning for the roles. This has culminated in a vote today and the results were announced this afternoon.

Congratulations to the following ministers:

	Home Office	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Health and Wellbeing	Ministry of the Environment	Ministry of Transport
3C	Anya	Robyn	Jack	Sophie	Louie
3G	Aine	Harry	Ellie	Isobel	George
3T	Freya	Jack	Hanaa	Barney	Rory
WN	Caleb	Thomas	Terrance	Luke	Max
4E	Ella	Jessica	Rosa	Maya	Ryan
4F	Albie	Mabel	Belle	Anna	Max W
4O	Aanya	Freddy	Emilia	Edith	Marsha
5D	Sam P	Kasper	Evelyn	Finlay	Lewis B
5P	Molly B	Hashim	Freya	Henry	Stanley
5T	Ted	Emily	Esme	Emma	Bill
6B	Janavi	Jake	Amelia	Max	James
6C	Robin	Alex B	Bea	Lexie	Max
6H	Ainsley	Grace	Martha	Ethan	Mahath

They will be ably supported by our Y6 monitors in charge of each ministry.



School Values

At Moorlands we pride our selves on our school values which permeate through all aspects of school life. Each value has an associated colour and image which you will see around school, on certificates and newsletters.

They are:

Support and care



Respect and Value



Make the most of Every opportunity



Be inspired to learn, achieve and grow

