



Moorlands Junior School Newsletter

Working Together, Inspiring and Nurturing Everyone to Achieve and Grow

16th October 2020

Home learning

We still have a few questionnaires outstanding. Please try to remember to complete our questionnaire so we can make sure every child has access to the learning at home.

<https://forms.gle/pX41db8fvpppMgF8>

Year 6

As you may be aware, early this morning we received the news that a member of our school community has tested positive for Covid 19. This meant that the plans we have put in place had to be swiftly put into action.

Thank you for your patience and understanding at what we can imagine was stressful, frustrating and upsetting news.

Like any experience, it has brought to light a few learning points that we will take forward:

Class dojo is a very important tool for getting messages across quickly and effectively. If you do not have this set up already we recommend that you do so, please speak to your child's class teacher for a code.

Patience is needed in order for us to carry out track and trace to establish who has been in direct contact with the positive case. This takes a little time and so the safest course of action is sometimes close a bubble while investigations take place.

As with every aspect of this situation, we are learning all the time and will always take the safest course of action for our families and staff. Which will always be in line with the guidance from Public Health.

Thank you for your understanding.

Friends of Moorlands

The FoM Gin Tasting Night is now live on ParentPay!

The event will take place virtually on Friday 20th November. Tickets cost £15 and for that you will get four locally produced gins delivered to your door along with tonics, garnishes and a savoury snack. A Facebook group link will then be emailed to you where you can join in and listen to Mr Kendal explain more about the gins.

In order for FoM to have enough time to fulfil orders and organise delivery, tickets must be purchased by Friday 5th November.

Pre-loved uniform

The wonderful Mrs Thompson has lots of pre-loved uniform available in ages 7 and 8. If you are interested the best way to contact her is through the Friends of Moorlands facebook site.

Stars of the week

3C Martha

3D Lottie

4L Thomas

4S Finlay L

5N Zack

5C Katelyn

5D Ethan

6E Maisie

6T Wilson



Secondary School Selection

Please be aware that we have been sent the following information regarding the application process for this academic year:

The closing date for on time applications is **31st October 2020**.

This year, the DfE issued special guidance for grammar schools which strongly advised that tests should be moved back into late October. This means that parents will have to submit their application before the result of any test is known.

Trafford has extended the limits of its application system this year to allow parents to submit preferences for up to 8 schools and guidance has been circulated to all Trafford parents on how to proceed.

We have been asked to remind all parents that they should submit their applications without delay and not wait for the outcomes of the selection tests.

The application guidance notes are available on our school website.

If you need any additional help you can contact the School Admission Team on 0161 912 5007 or 0161 912 5080.

You can also email school.admissions@trafford.gov.uk

Covid Regulations

Please can we remind you of the regulations regarding isolating due to exposure to COVID.

If a member of your household shows symptoms of COVID: high temperature, a new persistent cough or loss of sense of taste and/or smell they should take a test. All other members of the household **MUST** isolate until the results come through. Failure to follow these regulations puts our school community at risk.

For further guidance please see NHS website or telephone 111.

If your child or another member of your household is being tested for COVID, please can you let the school office now as soon as possible. We also ask that school is notified of the results either via the school telephone in school hours or via the dedicated email address: **info@moorlandsjuniorschool.com for out of hours test results**. This means that we have the maximum possible time to plan for the implications and potentially provide remote work for your child.

Thank you for your help in this matter.