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Dear Families,

A warm welcome back to everyone after what we hope was a relaxing, fun and enjoyable Bank Holiday weekend. The last few weeks have been very busy, full of fun as we celebrated the King's Coronation. The children looked splendid in their red, white and blue outfits and last Friday they enjoyed a range of exciting Royal activities and enjoyed a wonderful lunch fit for a King! It was a pleasure listening to the children singing their coronation songs. The PTA also gave all the children a Royal keyring as a memento of the occasion.



We are now in the middle of our assessment period for end of Reception, Year 2 SATS and Year 1 and Year 2 Phonics checks. Teachers have to assess the pupils against government expectations. The outcome of these assessments will be reported within the end-of-year report in July. Good attendance will help to ensure children reach their full potential.

I can hardly believe that we are now in our third and final term of the academic year! The Summer term is our transition term, where we start to think about the children's next steps and ensure that they are fully prepared. For nursery children who will be school age in September this may look like spending some time visiting Bees and getting to know the adults and the environment there. For Year 1 they are beginning to sit and work on tasks for longer periods of time and dipping their toes into the waters of more responsibility. Year 2 children are becoming more independent in their learning in preparation for spreading their wings in readiness for Year 3 at their new schools.

In truth, the children are always on this journey at Moss Lane School taking tiny steps forwards, increasing in independence and responsibility, but the Summer Term gives us a wonderful opportunity to mark the milestones and celebrate their achievements. It is also a very busy term, filled with activities and fun. There are a LOT of dates for your diaries, so please do make sure you check the online calendar and make sure your diaries are up-to-date. Enjoy a restful weekend.

Mrs Victoria Abbott



Our value for this term is

Resilience

What's Coming Up...

Friday 26th May

INSET Day – School closed

Saturday 3rd June

Godalming Carnival

Tuesday 6th June

Sports Day

Friday 16th June

Celebrate Someone Special Morning

Saturday 17th June

PTA Summer Fair

Friday 23rd June

International Day
(separate letter coming out shortly)

Friday 14th July

Year 2 Leavers' Disco

Friday 21st July

End of Term

Check out our online calendar of events [here](#).

Mental Health...

Don't forget to check out our Mental Health and Wellbeing page on the [website](#).

Toys in school...

Children **should not** bring toys from home into school. These are often the source of disagreements or upset when they go missing/get broken etc.

Ofsted Parent View...

Ofsted Parent View is an opportunity for you to give your view on our school. The questionnaire can be completed at any time - you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>

Godalming Carnival 2023

Save the date! June 3rd 2023.



Summer Reading Challenge...

The Summer Reading challenge 2023 theme this year is "Ready, Set read!"



It starts on Saturday 8th July and finishes on Saturday 23rd September. To find out more go to <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Reading Every Day

Reading practise is the single most beneficial activity that you can support with at home. The progress made across the entire curriculum for a child that has daily reading practise is markedly different to that of a child who does not read daily with an adult. Whilst we would sincerely love to be able to read one-to-one with every child it simply isn't possible, and so there is an expectation that all school aged children will read daily at home.

If you are struggling with this, or feel that you need some advice or strategies to help you, please let your child's teacher know so that we can arrange some time to support you.

Reading bed time stories together, talking about the text, the characters and what is happening in the story builds the foundations for a love of books and the motivation to learn to read independently when the time comes.

Clubs

If your child attends any paid clubs within school please can you ensure that it is written in the front of the going home books so that teachers are aware who is attending which club.

Weather...

As the weather is improving, please make sure that children come to school with a sun hat and their water bottle. You will need to apply sun cream before school to protect your children, as staff are unable to apply it during the day. Children still need to come to school with a coat in case it rains.

Measles, Mumps and Rubella

Parents urged to check children's measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) vaccine records following rise in measles cases. The UK Health Security Agency have issued a press release urging parents to check children's MMR vaccine records following a rise in measles cases. Most of the cases have been in London, although there have been cases detected across the country and some are linked to travel abroad.

NSPCC's Underwear Rule

Ongoing as part of our PHSE curriculum all children discuss the **NSPCC's Underwear Rule** in the classes at school.

During these discussions we aim to teach our pupils the following important safety skills without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. We teach our pupils the NSPCC's Underwear Rule, using the 'PANTS' acronym, which is like a green cross code for staying safe from sexual abuse.

PANTS stands for:

- **Privates are private**
- **Always remember your body belongs to you**
- **No means no**
- **Talk about secrets that upset you**
- **Speak up, someone can help**

Lessons introduce a range of ideas, all delivered in a way that is fully age-appropriate. These include:-

- **"Appropriate" and "inappropriate" touching**
- **Your child's right to say no to things that make them feel upset or uncomfortable**
- **Naming parts of the body**
- **Who your child can turn to if they ever feel upset or worried.**

More information about the Underwear Rule, including a short film and a parent guide, can be found at

www.nspcc.org.uk/underwearrule

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher.