# **Moss Lane School**

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Dear Families,

We have had a very cold, wet and windy few weeks but it is good to see the days gradually becoming longer and the glimmer of sunshine. Spring seems to be coming! I am enjoying seeing the beautiful daffodils flowers that are now in full bloom on the Burys field. Easter is on the horizon!

Hopefully we can begin to look forward to sunny days and warmer weather.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend and can't wait to see you on Monday morning.

Wishing everyone a safe and pleasant weekend!

Mrs Abbott Headteacher

## Moss Lane Website...

Our website has a wealth of information on it so please do check it on a regular basis.

You can find: -

- Absence Forms
- Calendar
- Upcoming Events
- Newsletters
- Clubs, including holiday clubs to name just a few!
- Uniform
- Policies
- Governors

Do also visit our Online Safety page. This is updated frequently and has games and suggestions of ways to keep your family safe online:

https://www.moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk/web/online safety/228033

## **Ofsted Parent View...**

If you would like to leave a comment about Moss Lane School please register and follow the link below:https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=/giveyour-views



Our Value for this half-term is Respect.

# What's coming up...

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March** Last day of Book fair. Foxes Woodland School.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March Bees trip to Bocketts Farm.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 09:00 Parent Clinic. 15:30 PTA Movie night.

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March Squirrels Woodland School.

Wednesday 27th March Easter hat parade and egg hunt.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March** End of term 1.30pm finish.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April Back to school – first day of Summer Term.

Please see our online calendar of events <u>here</u>.

#### **INSET DAYS...**

• Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

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# What has been going on in school...

#### **Celebrate Someone Special Day**

It was so wonderful to see so many people at our Celebrate Someone Special morning last week. We hope you all had fun with making your gratitude jars and enjoyed it as much as the children. Thank you for coming along and sharing your time.







#### World Book Day

The children had a wonderful day celebrating World Book Day and it was fantastic to see children involved in book based activities. There were some lovely costumes alongside children wearing clothes that reflect who they are.







Thank you to those who participated in our 'Read Your Own Way' competition. The worthy winners were Tristan from Bees, James from Year One and Charlie from Year Two. We enjoyed sharing our books with each other during the day and continue to develop our love of reading. Don't forget to spend your voucher!



Charlie



James



Tristan

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## **Science week**

On Wednesday 13th March children enjoyed an amazing science assembly and class workshops run by Genie Lab. They made planes with Y1 and Y2 and fridge magnets with Bees. We also welcomed parent scientists who came to talk to children about their work in the STEM sector (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths).



#### Family Learning Workshops...

Surrey County Council have just released lots of brilliant, free, online adult learning courses to support parents about a whole host of things – from anxiety and friendships, to concentration etc.

<u>https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/adult-</u> <u>learning/courses/search?category=FAMLRN&subCategory=WIDERFAMPA&</u> <u>page=1</u>

#### Raising money for the National Autistic Society...

Our Moss Lane SENCo, Miss Forbes, is running the London Marathon on April 21st for the National Autistic Society. She knows how important the work is that the society do and is inspired everyday by the awesomeness of autism at Moss Lane. If you feel you would like to sponsor Miss Forbes, then please use the link below and thank you very much. Similarly, a 'good luck' on the playground is just as wonderful!

https://www.justgiving.com/page/gilly-forbes-wood-1708199889393?utm\_medium=fundraising&utm\_content=page%2Fgillyforbes-wood-1708199889393&utm\_source=copyLink&utm\_campaign=pfp-share

#### Safeguarding...

## Steps you can take to keep your child safer online

**Parental controls:** Parental controls have been designed to help you manage your child's online activities. There are various types, some of which are free but others which can be bought. However, nothing is totally fool proof so they shouldn't replace the need for you to support and advise your child using the internet. For more information and step-by-step instructions on setting up parental controls, visit Parental Controls & Privacy Settings Guides - Internet Matters.





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**Supervise their online activity:** Keep the devices your child uses in communal areas of the house such as the living room or kitchen, where an adult is able to supervise. Primary-age children should not access the internet in private spaces alone, such as in a bedroom or bathroom.

**Explore together and chat little and often:** Ask your child to show you their favourite apps, games and sites and encourage them to teach you how to use these. Ask them if anything ever worries them online. Make sure they know they won't be in trouble and can get help by talking to you or another adult they trust if anything happens online that makes them feel worried, sad or scared.

**Make sure they know where to go for support:** Remind your child they can always speak to you or an adult they trust if anything happens online that makes them feel worried or upset. For a breakdown of report services, visit: Supporting your child with reporting unwanted content online.

## Take a look at Thinkuknow:

Thinkuknow is the national online safety education programme from the National Crime Agency. Thinkuknow offers learning activities, advice and support for children and young people aged 4-18 and their families. The Jessie & Friends animations for 4 to 7s will help you start a conversation about online safety and for 8-10's, there's the Play Like Share animations and the Band Runner game and advice website.

**Help your child identify trusted adults who can help them if they are worried:** This includes you and other adults at home, as well as adults from wider family, school or other support services who they are able to contact at this time. Encourage them to draw a picture or write a list of their trusted adults.

**Talk about how their online actions affect others:** If your child is engaging with others online, remind them to consider how someone else might feel before they post or share something. If they are considering sharing a photo/video of somebody else, they should always ask permission first.

**Use 'SafeSearch':** Most web search engines will have a 'SafeSearch' function, which will allow you to limit the content your child can access whilst online. Look out for the 'Settings' button on your web browser homepage, which is often shaped like a small cog.

## Medication in School...

We wanted to remind you that we can only administer prescribed medicine to your child at school when four doses are required, e.g. three doses are given at home and one at school. The medicine should be in the original container with a prescription label clearly stating the child's name, medication name, date of issue, expiry date and dosage required. We request that you come to the office to complete a permission form detailing the dosage and frequency of medicine - medicines cannot be handed into class or via the child.

## Medical/Dental Appointments...

If your child must have a medical or dental appointment in school time, please try and make it after 2pm so your child can have their registration mark for the afternoon. If it needs to be in the morning, please try and bring them to school first to get their registration mark and return them to school afterwards. Wherever possible appointments such as dental, medical, opticians should be booked outside of school hours or during the school holidays. Absence Request Forms can be found on our website or by picking one up at the front office.

Finally, a photo to make you smile -Honeybees enjoying a fun day at woodland School!



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