



20-12-19
Autumn 2

Merry Christmas



**Value of the
Month**

**December
Appreciation**



As we come to the end of another successful term at Moss Lane, I want to thank all of the pupils, parents and staff who have helped make this one of the best Autumn Terms in the school's history. As ever, there have been many wonderful moments, and the school community has consistently demonstrated that it has some truly remarkable individuals. I want to wish you all a very merry Christmas, a happy holiday period and a prosperous New Year. We look forward to seeing pupils back in school on Monday 6th January 2020 for the start of the spring term.

A big thank you to all the parents who helped run all the various Christmas activities over this December. As a school we really appreciate all the support and fund raising that you do.

It has been a wonderful term of learning. Everyone has tried their best to fulfill their full potential, and the children have really enjoyed this term's topics and have discovered all sorts of things they didn't know before.

A big thank you to all the staff for their dedication to the progress of the children; my drop-ins and observations this term have shown a high percentage of good /outstanding teaching, with children being well supported and moving on in their learning.

Many thanks must also go to the Governors and to the PTA for all their support this term.

A warm welcome

A warm welcome to Mrs Tickner who will be working in Panda Bears class.

Litter picking

On Wednesday 11th of December Godalming Junior School's Eco team came to Moss Lane School to litter pick together. It was raining all afternoon but that didn't stop us walking around Godalming picking up litter. We found plastic bottles, cans, paper, tissues and plastic bags. We all had fun while we worked to improve our local environment. Thank you Eco team for doing a brilliant job despite the rain.

Did you know? It takes paper towels 2-4 weeks, newspaper 6 weeks, an apple core 2 months and foam coffee cups 50 years to decompose!



Bears Christmas Performances

C.H.R.I.S.T.M.A.S spells Christmas

Our Bears were amazing in their show 'C.H.R.I.S.T.M.A.S spells Christmas'. They sang their hearts out and said their lines with confidence. Thank you to everyone who came and supported and to the parents for all the costumes. Well done to all our Bears on completing their first term at School. You have all done so well.



Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance

Well done to all our Year 1 and Year 2 children in their performance of the Christmas Nativity. Thank-you also to all the staff for all their hard work. A special thank you to Elaine Joyce who wrote the script and Miss Betterton who worked tirelessly to direct the performance.



Godalming Shoebox Appeal



Thank you to everyone who donated to our shoebox appeal for the homeless. We managed to fill an amazing 24 boxes which will really make a difference to people this winter. A big thank you to Mrs King for organising this and filling all the boxes.

PTA Mini Market



This fabulous annual event was such a joy again this year with children scurrying around buying presents for their families. The smiles on their faces as they enjoyed the responsibility of picking and paying for their presents was a pleasure to see. Thank you to everyone who donated gifts and gave up their time to help as shopping elves. **This event raised over £700.00**

Singing at Jubilee House & Eastlake Care Home



This week some children in Year 2 were invited to sing Christmas carols at Jubilee House & Eastlake Care Home. They impressed the residents and helped to bring some festive cheer to the homes.

Christmas decorations, Parties and Father Christmas !



The school was a hive of activity as the children made this years Christmas decorations.

Christmas parties were great fun and all the children enjoyed playing a range of fun party games and having a yummy party tea. All classes were visited by Father Christmas himself who presented them with a gift of their class choice. Thank you as always for all your help and food donations.

Christmas Jumper Day and lunch



On Friday 13th December the staff and children celebrated Christmas with a wonderful Christmas dinner. Roast Turkey with all the trimmings, Christmas music and of course crackers, silly hats and bad jokes. Thank you to everyone that also donated money for wearing their Christmas jumper. We raised £60 for Save the Children.

A big thank you goes to India



India in Year 1 made Christmas jars and sold them at the mini market. She made an amazing £30 which she then donated to school. Fantastic entrepreneurial skills India!

Yr 3 Godalming Junior



This week I visited Godalming Juniors to see old Moss Lane pupils in their Christmas show. It was amazing to see them looking so grown up, confident and enjoying Junior School. A fabulous end to the year. Thank you to all the children and staff for inviting me!

Y3 applications



Reminder-the closing date for Junior (and Reception) applications for September 2020 entry is 15 January 2020 Full information is available on Surrey's website at www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

Library



Our school books are really important to our school and children. Throughout the year many books are lost or simply not returned. These books are very expensive to replace so could you join our book amnesty and return any books that you find at home.

Reading with Your Child



All parents want to do the best for their child and reading at home 5-10 minutes a day is one of the best ways to support your child's learning. If you are not sure or lack confidence in how to do this please speak to your child's Class Teacher. Also, reading to your child a little every night either from picture or chapter books allows your child to relax and enjoy stories read to them. Reading books aloud to children stimulates their imagination and expands their understanding of the world. It helps them develop language and listening skills and prepares them to understand the written word. ... Even after children learn to read by themselves, it's still important for you to read aloud together. Christmas is a great time to read some favourite stories that Santa might have given them !

Dates for your Diary 2019-20

JANUARY

Monday 6th Term starts

FEBRUARY

Wednesday	5th	Dance Festival Broadwater
Thursday	6th	Pantomime
Friday	7th	PTA quiz night
Tuesday	11th	Parents Evening
		Safer Internet Day 'Together for a Better Internet'
Thursday	13th	Parents Evening
Friday	14th	Inset
Mon- Fri	17th-21st	Half Term

March

Wednesday	4th	PTA Sponsored Bounce
Thursday	5th	World Book Day
Mon- Fri	9th—13th	British Science Week
Mon—Fri	16th—20th	Book Fair
Thursday	19th	Mother's Day Event

April

Wednesday	1st	FGB Meeting
Friday	3rd	End of Spring Term

2019—2020 INSET DAYS

14th February, 20th April , 22nd May

The staff and governors of Moss Lane School would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

