



MOSS LANE SCHOOL

Value of the Month September Friendship



**28-09-18
Autumn 1**



Welcome back to a new term and a special welcome to our new children, staff and parents. We are very proud of our caring community here at Moss Lane and I am sure that it won't take you long to settle in. It's lovely to see the children and staff refreshed after their summer break and everyone looks smart in their school uniforms.

I hope that you enjoy becoming part of Moss Lane School. For more information about the school, the Governors and the PTA, please take a look at our website: **www.moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk**

Wishing you all the very best for the term ahead.

Topics for this term

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
Reception	Owls Babies	The Jolly Postman
Year 1	Busy Bodies	Whizz, bang, pop!
Year 2	Island Adventures	Out of the Ashes

Inset Days

29th October 2018
25th February 2019
23rd April 2019
3rd June 2019

Learning at Moss Lane...

BEARS



Our Reception children have completed their settling in days and are now at school full time. They have all done so well and have enjoyed exploring their new classrooms and the Pepperpot. It has been wonderful to see them getting used to the school routine and enjoying their lunches.

Year 1

A warm welcome to our new Year 1 Teacher Miss Clare who has joined Squirrels this year.

Our Year 1's are enjoying discovering about Busy Bodies this term. They have been learning a funny bones song and have an opticians as a role play area. They also had a wonderful time re-enacting the help Florence Nightingale and her nurses gave to wounded soldiers.

They have also enjoyed a few trips to the allotment to see the amazing pumpkins that have been growing over the summer.



Learning at Moss Lane...

Year 2

Welcome to Miss Edy who has joined Otters & Mr Nathan who has joined Hedgehogs this year.

Our Year 2's have been the first to enjoy Woodland School this year. They all had a wonderful time walking through the woods and learning about team work.

They have also been writing about their own fantasy island adventures using adjectives and similes. It has been wonderful to see their imaginations roam as free as a birds.



Other School News...

Safeguarding

Please can I remind all parents of the importance of checking the front gate to ensure that it is always closed and bolted. This is paramount to keeping children at Moss Lane safe.

Going home books

These are books that are located by the front door for Years 1 and 2 and in the classrooms for Reception. If for any reason you are unable to collect your child at the end of the school day, or if they are going home with a friend, please write this in the going home books. Teachers check these books daily. We will not allow a child to go home with another adult if it has not been written in these books. If you have any last minute change of plans, please call the office so they can pass a message onto the class teacher. Please do not email the school with changes to pick up arrangements as emails are not always read in time.

PE

PE kits should be kept in school at all times. Please ensure that your child has suitable footwear (plimsolls/trainers) for outside P.E. You may also wish to provide jogging bottoms as well as shorts for outside sessions.

Clubs

Can I also remind all parents that you collect your child from the playground after their club.

Access to school after 9.00 am

If your child is late for whatever reason including medical appointments, please ensure that you bring them to the office where we will mark them in the register and take them to their classroom. This includes children in the reception classes. If your child is going to be late, please ensure the office is advised before 9.15am.

Absence from school

Please ring before 9.30 am if your child is going to be absent for any reason including medical appointments. We can then ensure that their class teacher and anyone else who is affected by their absence is told. Absence for medical appointments should be advised in advance of the date wherever possible. A letter explaining any absence should also be brought in to the school office. Absence request forms are available from the school office or you can download one of our website.

School Office Hours

The office is open from 8.45am until 3.30pm. The office stocks school book bags, water bottles and phonic wallets should you wish to purchase any. To stop long queues at the office can I remind you that any monies / letter can also be posted in the red post box opposite the office window (not to be confused with the PTA post box!).

Uniform

All children should be in their winter uniform after half term.

Birthdays

Please note we are healthy school and don't encourage the distribution of sweets and cakes in class on a child's birthday.

PLEASE NOTE

Moss Lane is a nut free school as we have some children with severe nut allergies.

PTA New Chair Welcome

I would like to introduce myself as the new chair of Moss Lane Infant School PTA. I have two boys, Rowan (Year 1) and Hugh at nursery. I also have an incredibly large and active fur-baby (puppy) called Poppy. We moved to beautiful Godalming almost two years ago from Sydney, Australia, and absolutely love our new community. I also work full time as a Care Manager for a live-in care provider throughout Surrey and South London. I am very much looking forward to chairing the PTA here at Moss Lane but as you may have noticed I am very busy and therefore need all the support I can get!

Our PTA is an organisation of parents and staff. Its role is to encourage closer links between home and school in addition to providing important fundraising work to support our children within our school. If you are a parent and would like to get more involved in supporting our school and meet other parents please come and see one of us.

YR are still looking for some class representatives so if you are interested please see your class teacher.

That's all from me (for now!), I hope to see many of you very soon.

Kerri-Anne

Other PTA News

Advertising Boards

We have been given an opportunity to raise some funds for our school and would love your help. Seymours are sponsoring the Godalming Fireworks on 2nd November and have offered the school £15 for each advertising board we can put up around Godalming. It means having a board outside your house for a few weeks, from the 2nd October. If you are willing to help us out and have a board put up then please email the school office and let them know, with your address so Seymours can find you!

They are also sponsoring the Christmas Festival and Light Switch-on, so another great opportunity to raise some money for our school. If you are willing to have an advertising board for this event, please contact the school office and let them know. The Christmas boards will go up on October 24th.

Dates for your Diary

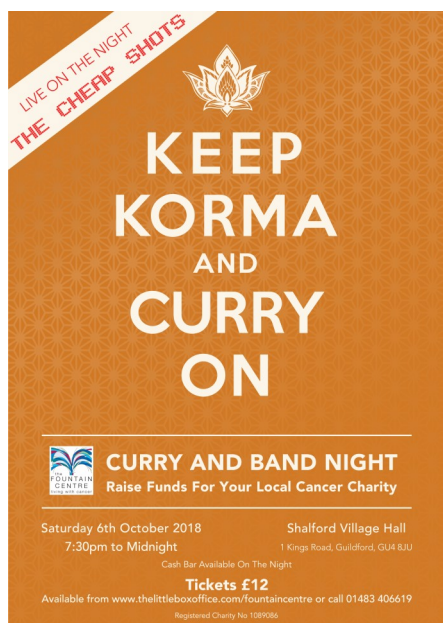
October 12th at 15.15—PTA Welcome Event

Community notices...



Godalming Library

Before the Summer Holidays, the local library staff came to tell the children how to take part in Mischief Makers, the Summer Reading Challenge. Well done to everyone who took part and was able to read six book over the summer holidays.



The Fountain Centre

The Fountain Centre is holding curry and band night on Saturday 6th October.

They are the local cancer care centre for Godalming and surrounding areas and are based at the Royal Surrey Hospital. They are completely self-funded hence the need for fundraising events.

Dates for your Diary 2018

OCTOBER

All week	8th—12th	Book Fair
All week	8th—12th	Dance Week
Friday	12th	PTA Welcome Event
All week	15th—19th	Yoga Week
Tuesday	16th	Parents Evening 15.30—19.00
Wednesday	17th	Y2 Multiskills Festival at Broadwater
Thursday	18th	Individual School Photos
Thursday	18th	Parents Evening 15.30—17.50
Friday	19th	Y2 Cake Sale
All Week	22nd—26th	HALF TERM
Monday	29th	INSET NO children
Tuesday	30th	Children back to school
Wednesday	31st	Perform Workshops

NOVEMBER

Friday	2nd	Harvest Festival
Friday	16th	Children in Need (MUFTI)
Friday	24th	Y1 Cake Sale
Saturday	24th	Godalming Christmas Festival—Children singing
Friday	30th	PTA Christmas Film Night

DECEMBER

Friday	7th	Mini Market
Tuesday	11th	YR Christmas performance to parents at 09.30
Wednesday	12th	YR Christmas performance to parents at 14.15
Thursday	13th	Christingle Decorating & Christmas Parties
Friday	14th	Christmas Lunch
Tuesday	18th	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance at 14.15
Friday	19th	Finish for Christmas at 13.30

Dates for your Diary 2019

JANUARY

Thursday	3rd	Return to school
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FEBRUARY

All week	18th—22nd	HALF TERM
Monday	25th	INSET NO children
Tuesday	26th	Children back to school