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Autumn 1



**Value of the
Month**

**October
Respect**

This term a new Chair of Governors was elected. I would like to extend a warm welcome to Mr Adam Boshoff and look forward to working alongside him and the governing body this year.

I am also sure that you will join me in thanking Mrs Elaine Joyce our former Chair for all her hard work over the years. Elaine is now our Co-Vice Chair.

Welcome from the Chair of Governors



My name is Adam Boshoff and following 3 years as a parent governor at Moss Lane, I was appointed as Chair of the Governing Board in 2019. My youngest daughter followed in her sisters footsteps, starting at Moss Lane in 2019, and this awards me the opportunity to continue to see the school from the perspective of a parent as well as a governor.

We have a good Governing Board, with a range of experience and appropriate skills, from business, education and public service backgrounds. This expertise helps us both support and challenge the school leaders to make good decisions that will provide a safe, well managed and professional school in which your children will thrive socially and educationally.

As governors, our role is to be responsible for the strategic development of the school and to make sure the school fulfils all its statutory requirements. The daily routines of the school, and professional educational decisions are the responsibility of the Headteacher and the staff.

In the Governor section of the website (<https://www.moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk/web/governors>) you will find information about Moss Lane School's Governing Body. If you have anything specifically you wish to discuss, please do leave a note for me in the school office (where I have a 'pigeon hole' for communications) or email me at governors@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk and I will get back to you.

Kind regards

Adam

Staff news



Welcome to Miss Rachel Smith who will be teaching in Polar Bears classroom. Miss Smith will be covering Ms Bowes who has gone on maternity leave. I am sure you will all join me in wishing her all the best.

Book Fair

Thank you to all the parents who helped with our book fair. It was a great success raising a wonderful £690.98 which gives £354.41 for the school to spend on books.

Car Park

Please can we remind all parents that the School Car Park is for staff and Governor use only. If you have a child attending an after school club please use Crown Court Car Park.

After School Clubs

All after school clubs including Boogie Pumps, Guitar Club, Tag Rugby and Year 2 clubs will be dismissed from the playground. Please do not come into the school building to collect your child. SCL Football club will be dismissed from the Burys Field.

KOOSA

If your child is booked to attend KOOSA but then plans change please can you inform the school office and KOOSA so their collection list is correct.

Cord Blind Safety



CDOP would like to bring attention to the latest safety campaign relating to Cord Blind Safety

RoSPA's (Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents) own research shows that there have been at least 33 deaths across the UK due to looped cords since 1999 (18 of which have occurred since the start of 2010).

The Make It Safe campaign, of which RoSPA is a part, aims to raise awareness of the potential dangers of looped cords among families with small children.

As well as leaflets and advice, RoSPA has distributed more than 500,000 cleats free of charge to families, local authorities and community organisations over the last 18 months. Cleats can be fitted to tie blind cords high up out of the reach of children.

Are you worrying about putting food on the table?



If you ever need help with putting food on the table due to a family crisis, please pop in and speak to Mrs Abbott. Alternatively you can contact Karen Sutton (our Home School Link Worker) or pop into the Citizens Advice Bureau or local church and they will offer help. All these agencies can give you short term access to the local food banks. Please don't worry about asking - we are all here to help.

SEND Advice Surrey



SSIASS – Surrey SEND Information, Advice and Support Service has been renamed - they are now **SEND Advice Surrey** – Special Educational Advice and Disabilities information, advice and support. The only change (bar the logo and name!) is the email address, which is now; SENDAdvice@surreycc.gov.uk – (the old email address should divert to this one).

SEND Advice Surrey is a service for children and young people aged 0 to 25 years with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and their parents and carers, but professionals also call in.

The information, advice and support they provide is impartial, confidential, free and at 'arm's length' to the local authority. The experienced team will listen to your concerns and discuss any issues in confidence.

For more information please visit: <https://sendadvice.surrey.org.uk/>

PTA News

Welcome from our new PTA Chair—Karen Lucas



Hi, I'm Karen, your PTA chair for this school year. I have 2 boys at the school- Edward in Otters and Harry in Pandas. I work part time at Hambledon Nursery as a teacher and enjoy playing tennis on my day off.

I'm looking forward to raising lots of money for our amazing school this year and hope to see lots of you at our up coming events.

It was lovely to see so many new parents at our New Parent Coffee morning. If you were unable to attend but would like to help out at events or be involved with the PTA or just have a chat about what we are doing please seek out your PTA Volunteers/Class reps in the playground or email us at ptamosslane@gmail.com

Each class has two PTA class representative who help with coordinating and encouraging involvement of parents at PTA and school events.

- Pandas - Nicola Riley and Emma Taylor
- Polars - Rachel Hudson and Vickie Nye
- Squirrels - Lorna Brennan and Lucy Barbour
- Foxes - Marvin Gowens and Tara Baker
- Otters - Holly Piper and Sophie Perrygrove
- Hedgehogs - Helen Banks and Charlotte Rowlette

Keep an eye on the PTA page on the website for more information.
<https://www.moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk/web/pta/184366>

Learning at Moss Lane...

Bears

Bears are loving life at Moss Lane! We have started our Monday meditation sessions, where we relax and unwind at the end of our busy day at school.

As part of our Phase One phonics, we have been practising our listening skills. We put on our listening ears and went to visit the school allotment. We heard lawnmowers, aeroplanes, cars, children and many more sounds.



Learning at Moss Lane...

Year 1

This week Squirrels class have been learning all about the 5 senses in science. We used our 5 senses to look at 'where's wally' books, to smell different mystery scents, to identify objects in a 'feely box', to listen to instruments, and most importantly to taste! We had different flavours of crisps to try and we had to use our sense of taste to guess what the flavours were.

It was also our turn to visit Witley woods and we got to try out the brand new trim trail that is currently being built.



Learning at Moss Lane...

Year 2

Year 2 have been looking at the work of Japanese artist Hokusai. We made wave patterns on the playground with paint brushes and water, chalk, rolled up newspaper and using our bodies. Hokusai's work 'The Great Wave' also inspired our own artwork.



Dates for your Diary 2019-20

OCTOBER

Monday	14th	Parent's Evening Booking Opens at 7pm
Wednesday	16th	Year 2 at Multi Skills Festival at Broadwater
Friday	18th	Individual School Photographs
Tuesday	22nd	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.50pm
Thursday	24th	Parents Evening 3.30pm-5.20pm
Friday	25th	Harvest Festival 9.15am or 2.15pm (Please attend only one performance)
Monday	28th—1st	HALF TERM

NOVEMBER

Monday	4th	INSET NO children
Tuesday	5th	Children back to school
Wednesday	6th	Parent clinic - please book via the office
Wednesday	6th	FGB (Full Governing Body Meeting)
Monday	11th	Otters at Woodland School
Friday	15th	Hedgehogs at Woodland School
Friday	22nd	PTA Casino Night
Monday	25th	Foxes at Woodland School
Friday	29th	Squirrels at Woodland School
Saturday	30th	Christmas festival—Moss Lane Pupils Singing

DECEMBER

Tuesday	3rd	Flu Immunisations
Wednesday	4th	FGB Meeting
Friday	6th	Mini market (children only)
Tuesday	10th	Bears Christmas Performance at 9.30am and 2pm (please attend only one performance)
Friday	13th	Christmas Dinner and Christmas jumper day
Tuesday	17th	KS1 performance at 2pm at St Peter's and St Paul's church
Wednesday	18th	Christmas Parties
Friday	20th	END OF TERM at 1.30pm

2019—2020 INSET DAYS

4th November, 14th February, 20th April , 22nd May

GET TEACHING with the GLP

GODALMING LEARNING PARTNERSHIP's *GET Teaching* programme

Why not *GET Teaching* with the Godalming Learning Partnership and Winchester University?

The Godalming Learning Partnership (formerly Godalming Confederation) is a large group of schools serving the children and families of the Godalming area. We are a strong collaborative group with a long history of working closely together to achieve more for our young people, schools and community.

We run an exciting opportunity to train as a teacher in partnership with Winchester University and are **now inviting applications to what will be our second year, starting in Sept 2020.**

The one year *GET Teaching* training programme provides the perfect combination of immersive classroom experience in our local schools and academic study at Winchester University. Our 7 current trainees are teaching in two of our schools but visit many more for their training sessions over the year, ensuring they gain invaluable experience of a wide range of settings.

We offer self-funded places; bursaries and grants may be available.

APPLY NOW TO START NEXT SEPTEMBER

Find out more about the course and how to apply at: www.getteaching.org

Find out more about the GLP at: www.godalmingconfed.org (soon to become godalminglearning.org as we change the former Confederation website over to the GLP)