Moss Lane School

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Dear Families,

Wow we have had a busy half term and I can't believe how quickly it has flown by. It's been lovely in recent weeks to welcome the sunshine once again, even though it has been a little chilly, but yesterday was a surprise with the snow!

You would have seen our new friendship stop out on the playground and some of our Year 2 children are being trained as Wellbeing Mentors to support all children during playtimes.

I hope you all have a lovely Easter holidays, and fingers crossed that the sun returns as it does seems to lift the spirits.

Mrs Abbott Headteacher

New Covid Guidance...

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days

IMPORTANT...

All children should be accompanied to their classroom door (Bears) or to the back door (KS1). <u>No children</u> should walk into school by themselves.

Can we remind all families that dogs **are not** permitted on school grounds, even if they are carried.



Upcoming Events...

Tuesday 19th April INSET DAY

Wednesday 20th April Children return to school

Friday 22nd April Year 2 Trip to Wisley

Wednesday 27th April Year R Nurse Healthchecks

Check out our online calendar of events <u>here</u>.

INSET Days...

2021 - 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022 Friday 27th May

2022 - 2023

Thursday 1st September 2022 Monday 31st October 2022 Friday 10th February 2023 Monday 17th April 2023 Friday 26th May 2023

Godalming Library...

Are hosting some Easter activities. You can check them out <u>here.</u>

What's going on in school...

Celebrate Someone Special Day

It was so wonderful to see so many people at our Celebrate Someone Special morning last Friday. We hope you all had fun with the activities and enjoyed it as much as the children did.









Year 1 - Visited by KitKat and Charlotte

Following on from the Year 1 visit earlier this year by Bob the PAT dog, Year 1 were given a very special opportunity to meet his sisters who were only 7 weeks old. The puppies were a lot of fun, and very tired after meeting all the children. The children all asked some very sensible questions about caring for puppies and dogs and we are sorry for the number of puppy requests you may now be getting!





Mindworks is here for you

Mindworks Surrey is the children and young people's emotional wellbeing and mental health service. The **crisis line** is for children and young people in mental health crisis. It is available 24/7 on 0800 915 4644.

For more information click here.

Attendance...

Recently I hosted our Inclusion Officer at school to talk about the importance of school attendance and to review the registers. Most children at Moss Lane have excellent attendance (97% or above) and the Inclusion Officer was keen to point out the correlation between this and their excellent progress and attainment. Sadly, some children were highlighted because their attendance was notably below an acceptable level 95%, and several pupils were flagged as persistent absentees, this is when attendance falls below 90%. We understand that children are sometimes poorly and we do not expect them to attend school if they are really unwell. However, with a slight cold (and no temperature or persistent cough) children are usually fine to be in school and we would of course contact you if your child is really too poorly to continue with their learning. Regular attendance in school ensures maximum chances of good progress and academic achievement.

If you have any worries regarding your child's attendance, please do not hesitate to talk to one of the school team.

Authorised absences / requests for leave of absence:

Our policy is not to authorise any holidays in term time. We do however understand that holidays have been disrupted, moved, postponed and are very much in short supply for us all. Please always complete a request form, they are available on our website under Parents tab or a paper copy from the school office, but do not be surprised when it is unauthorized. It is best practice to request and submit a leave of absence form, one month in advance whenever possible.