



18-09-20
Autumn 1



**Value for the
half term
Friendship**

Dear families,

Our Bears have been staying for lunch this week and its been lovely to see them all enjoying their school dinners. We are looking forward to having them in school full time from next week.



Our Year 1's and Year 2's have been enjoying time at the allotment this week and have come back full of freshly picked apples and stories of the bugs they have found including a frog! Hedgehogs brought me an apple back which I enjoyed with my lunch—thank you!

It is wonderful to hear their laughter back in the building.

Mrs Abbott

Governors

Following our first Full Governing Body meeting of the academic year, I'm please to announce that Mr Adam Boshoff has been re-elected as the Chair of Governors. Mr Boshoff has played an integral role since the start of the current pandemic and his continued support is greatly appreciated. As Headteacher I once again look forward to working alongside Mr Boshoff and the governing body this year.



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 Boshoff, Chair of Governors

Godalming and Villages Community Store & St Mark's Food Bank

Moss Lane School is now a collection point for the Community Store and Foodbank.



TROLLEY TUESDAY

A box will be outside the main school gates every Tuesday for any donations.

School Snack

I am pleased to report that the free fruit scheme has started again. Each child will once again be provided with a piece of fruit daily, so they do not need to bring in any other snack.

Tissues

As a school we are committed to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all our children. Unfortunately, no additional funding has been provided for the copious amounts of hand gel and tissues we require for each class. Therefore, if you feel able, we would appreciate any donations of boxes of tissues. This is of course not compulsory, and we will continue to provide hand gel, soap and tissues for all children.

Home reading/communication diaries

Your child has been given a Home reading/communication diary which is a way of communicating between home and school. Children should have their diaries in school each day although teachers will only look at these carefully once a week to monitor and sign them. All reading completed at home should be recorded in the diary. If you have an urgent message for the teacher, please telephone the school office in case the note in the diary is not seen.

Gold Assembly Certificates

Each week two children from each class are given a gold certificate in celebration of an achievement. These are given out by their class teacher in our Zoom assemblies.

Certificates awarded out of school

If your child receives a certificate, medal or trophy for an out of school activity, such as swimming, football or dancing, these can be awarded at Gold Assembly on Friday. I like to encourage the child to tell me what they needed to do to achieve the certificate, thus providing a conversation in which the child and the rest of the school acknowledge the effort and improvement required. Please email your photo of the certificate or a photo of your child holding the certificate or trophy to the school office by Thursday in preparation for the Friday assembly.

Headteacher Awards

These are given out when ever a member of staff feel that a child has done something special. Children visit my office where I will give them a sticker and a Headteacher certificate.

Special Award

Evie in Year 1 received a special award today! Last night she went to the hair dressers and had 16 inches of hair cut off! This will be sent to the Little Princess Trust, who make real hair wigs for children with cancer.

What an amazing achievement—well done Evie!



Learning at Moss Lane...

Bears

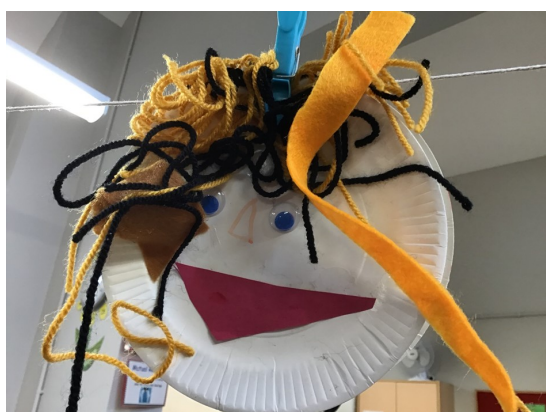
Panda and Polar Bears have settled into school really well and enjoyed staying for lunch this week. They have been getting to know each other and here are some photos of the different things they have been up to.



Learning at Moss Lane...

Year 1

Squirrels and Foxes have really settled back into school. They have had lots of fun exploring their new classrooms and getting to know each other again. They have shown their creative flair through paper plate self-portraits and have had lots of fun reading *Aliens Love Underpants*, so much so they designed their own underpants! It has been a great start to the term and we are really proud of the start they have made.



Learning at Moss Lane...

Year 2

Hedgehogs have settled into Year 2 beautifully and have already been down to the allotment a few times to help Mr Nathan. We saw tomatoes, redcurrants, raspberries and even the very warm compost bin. We also helped dig up stones around the beds but the best bit however was being able to pick and eat an apple from the apple tree. Some were delicious and some were still a little sour!



Learning at Moss Lane...

Year 2

Otters have had a superb start to year 2. All the children have thrown themselves into learning with focus and enthusiasm. They are also showing a great deal of understanding and maturity with regards to new protocols and routines.

Otters have enjoyed exploring alphabetical order, counting in steps of 5 and writing 'Friendship Recipes'. Otters were very keen to explore the allotment after such a long break. Apples and blackberries were picked, slugs and toads were found and all the children loved being out in the early Autumn sun.



Dates for your Diary 2020-21

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday	22nd	Welcome talk go onto the school website
Friday	25th	Virtual New Parent meet up (TBC)

OCTOBER

Tuesday	6th	School nurse in YR R and YR1 for handwashing session
Tuesday	13th	Perform Fairies and Fables workshops all classes
Wednesday	14th	Perform Fairies and Fables workshops all classes
Friday	16th	Flu vaccinations
Monday	19th	Children can bring in food for Harvest- to be donated to Godalming Food bank
Friday	23rd	Online Virtual Harvest available via the website Parent's Evening Booking Opens

Monday 26th—30th HALF TERM

NOVEMBER

Monday	2nd	Children back to school
Tuesday	3rd	Parents Evening 3.30pm-5.30pm
Wednesday	4th	Parents Evening 3.30pm-5.30pm
Thursday	5th	Parents Evening 3.30pm-5.30pm
Friday	6th	INSET NO children
Monday	9th-13th	Remembrance week
Friday	13th	Children in Need. Children may come in MUFTI
Monday	16th– 20th	Anti Bullying week
Tuesday	17th	School nurse in YR R &YR 1 dental hygiene
Wednesday	18th	FGB (Full Governing Body Meeting)

DECEMBER

Friday	4th	Mini market (children only)
Wednesday	9th	FGB (Full Governing Body Meeting)
Friday	11th	Christmas Dinner and Christmas jumper day
Thursday	17th	Christmas decorations am/ pm Parties
Friday	18th	END OF TERM at 1.30pm

2020—2021 INSET DAYS

6th November, 26th February, 19th April , 7th June

**For up to date information on dates please visit our website
www.moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk**