

Moss Lane School

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Dear Families,

I would like to welcome you back to the Spring term and hope you all had a lovely Christmas break. The children have settled very well back into school routines and are already becoming immersed in their new topics and learning. It was lovely to read some super holiday recounts this week and the beautiful writing in classes wowed me; the children really enjoyed getting their Headteacher stickers and Gold awards well done!

I know some of you had cancelled or delayed celebrations over the Christmas period due to self-isolation or illness. On the return to school, we have had a couple members of staff absent and have arranged cover to minimise the disruption to the children. In terms of government guidance for schools, there have been minimal changes for primary schools and you can read our updated COVID Risk Assessment on our [website](#).



The government has provided school with CO2 monitors. Staff are now able to monitor class ventilation and temperature in real time. We are mindful of the balance between the need for ventilation and a comfortable working environment for both staff and children.

Isolation guidance is changing swiftly, with isolation from Monday down to five days with two negative LFT tests spaced 24 hours apart. We update our [Coronavirus webpage](#) every time there is new guidance so do check it regularly. There is also a PDF detailing Covid-19 testing guidance for children in Year 6 and below.

If your child is isolating and they are well enough to keep up with their work, you can find isolation work on your class eSchools page. Please also encourage your child to access Bug Club, Mathletics and to read to you.

If you have any concerns or issues please speak to your class teacher in the first instance. If you feel an issue is unresolved then please book a slot at a parent clinic. **The next parent clinics will be on Thursday 13th February and Tuesday 15th March via zoom.** To book a slot please call the school office.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Abbott
Headteacher



Upcoming Events...

Monday 17th January

Year R – Don't forget your boxes for making a treasure chest
Year 1 – Under the sea day
Year 2 – Teacher led club letter deadline

Tuesday 18th January

Year 2 Swimming

Wednesday 19th January

Full Governing Board Meeting

Tuesday 25th January

Year 2 Swimming



On the last newsletter we misprinted an INSET date. We are sorry for any confusion caused.

The remaining INSET dates are:

Monday 21st February

Tuesday 19th April

Friday 27th May

Important Reminders...

We have been notified of a few cases of head lice and worms.

Please regularly check your child for these and treat as required.

What's going on in school...

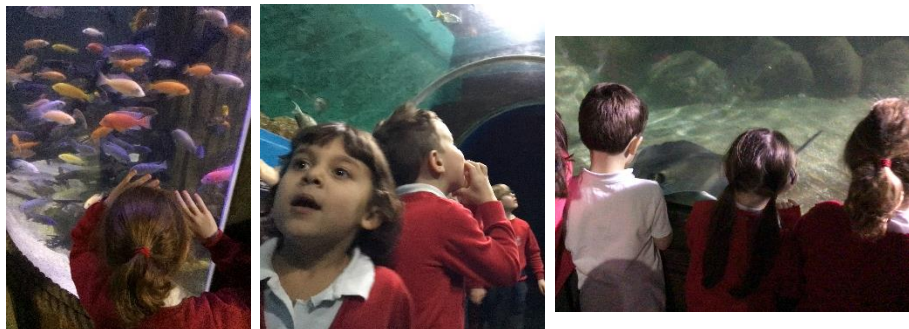
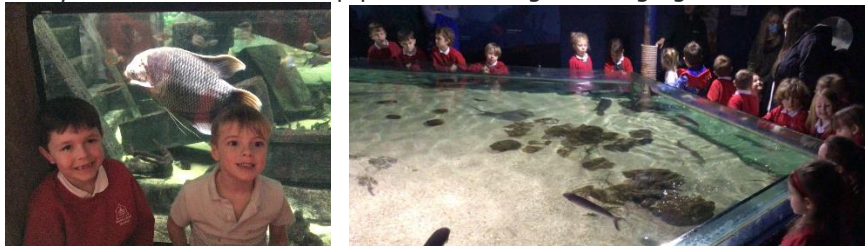
Perform Workshops

We were very pleased to receive a visit from Perform on Tuesday and Wednesday. The children had a wonderful time exploring the theme of The Jungle and using drama, dance and singing to help develop their confidence, concentration and social skills.



Year 1 Blue Reef Aquarium Visit

Year 1 had an amazing trip to the Blue Reef Aquarium in Portsmouth this week. They had a special shark and stingray workshop where some of the children even got splashed by the hungry stingrays during feeding time! The children had lots of fun exploring all the sea creatures and even found out about pollution and how they can help keep our seas cleaner. Thank you everyone who made this trip possible during challenging times.



Year 2's Start Swimming

On Tuesday the children were very excited to finally go on a school coach to Godalming Leisure Centre for swimming. The children had an amazing time and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.



Safeguarding...

[NSPCC website](#) is a great one-stop shop for all matters relating to children's safety and contains lots of advice.

You might need to break some bad news or try to find out more about something that does not seem quite right. Whatever the subject, and however old the child you're talking to, there are lots of ways to make it a bit less painful for you both and maybe even come away from the conversation knowing that you're even closer to your child than before.

The school's Safeguarding Team:

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)
Mrs Abbott

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL)
Miss Betterton.

A DSL is available at all times.

If you have any safeguarding concerns or would like advice, please contact the office to arrange a chat!

Important Reminder...

All children should have access to a warm winter coat at school.

The children have playtimes outside even during light rain.

PE takes place outside unless the playground conditions are considered to be dangerous or there is a torrential downpour.

Again, **please ensure that your child is equipped with a full PE kit.** This should include: Plain black shorts / joggers, red plain T-shirt/polo shirt, school jumper and trainers.

Jewellery should not be worn in school for health and safety reasons. Thank you.