



Moorlands Junior School Newsletter

Working Together, Inspiring and Nurturing Everyone to Achieve and Grow

19th June 2020

Hello!

It's so lovely to be writing a newsletter to you all once again.

No one could have predicted the events of the last few months but we are very proud of how we have come together as a school community to work through these difficult times.

It has been wonderful to welcome back our year six children this week and it's been lovely to see their lovely smiley faces around school. Obviously school looks very different at the moment and we are all getting used to working at a distance from each other. Some of the secondary schools have been in touch regarding transition and we have been working with them in terms of what preparation they are offering for our children. Rest assured we have been working with the secondary schools all along and the year 6 teachers have been speaking to the secondary schools regarding the needs of the children.

As you have probably seen in the news, there is lots of speculation about what will happen with schools in September. As I write this, it is still speculation and we will let you know as soon as we have any firm guidance.

Stars of the Week

We have been busy choosing stars of the week for each class, looking through google classroom for children that have been working hard throughout the week.

The stars that have been chosen for this week are:

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| 3C | Declan |
| 3P | Archie |
| 4C | Dimitar |
| 4L | Daniyal |
| WN | Imogen |
| 5D | Sam |
| 5S | Francesca |
| 6G | Areebah |
| 6T | Rosanna |



Calling all home learners!

While it has been lovely to see the year six children and continuing to welcome our key worker children into school, this doesn't mean we've forgotten the rest of our children who have been working so hard at home. We would like to say thank you to all of our families who have been set the difficult task of balancing their own work, home schooling as well as general family life during this testing time. You have done an amazing job!

We have been busy thinking of some activities that all of our children can take part in, at home and at school. With this in mind Mr Lake has devised lots of 'lockdown sports day' ideas which he will be sharing with you next week.

In addition to this, over the next 5 weeks we will also be having a Bake Off challenge and a virtual Moorland's Got Talent show as well as lots of other exciting projects designed for all children to join in with.

The aim is to bring the whole school together, albeit virtually, by taking part in the same activities. We fully understand that families are already stretched and certainly don't want to put any added pressure onto parents. Please don't feel that these activities are compulsory-they are entirely optional and designed to be fun!

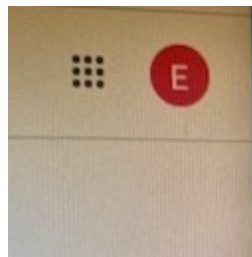
If you do manage to take part, please post photographs/videos and post these to class dojo. I can then share some of them with the wider community via school dojo and the newsletter.

Thank you!

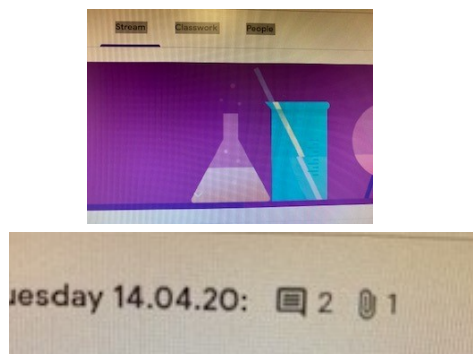
Google Classroom

Listening to feedback from parents it appears that some families haven't been able to access the feedback given by teachers on Google Classroom.

To see feedback, make sure once your child is logged in you are on Google Classroom and not their Google Drive. You can check this by clicking on the waffle (the nine small dots in a square on the right of the screen).



Once on Google Classroom, make sure you are on 'stream view', this then opens up a list of all the work that has been set. Work that has had feedback has a small speech bubble at the side of it, if you click on this you will be able to see the teacher feedback.



In addition to this, some staff have been responding to children's work via Class Dojo and email depending on how the work has been submitted.

We hope this helps.