

Mosscroft Primary School Newsletter

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Star Assembly

Our celebratory Star Assembly will begin again on Friday, 19th September, to allow sufficient time for parents to be informed of all nominations. The assembly starts at 9.05a.m.. You will receive a text message via our texting service if your child has been selected—but do keep it a secret!

We shall have a few new awards this year too:

* an individual punctuality award drawn from our tombola (Punctuality Ping Pong!!) and

* A class award for most Dojo points gained (to link with our new Assertive Mentoring approaches)

INVITATION

All parents are invited to a special World War 1 commemorative Assembly, led by Mrs. France, on Friday 19th September at 2.30p.m. as we are marking the 100 years since the war began. All are welcome.

Dear Parents,
Welcome back!!!! I do hope you have all had a fabulous Summer holiday – enjoying the unusually good weather we have been experiencing and having some relaxing family time together whether you managed to get away or whether you stayed at home.
The children have returned to school looking so smart and really showing a determination and resolve to do their very bests this year – which is wonderful! I have thoroughly enjoyed popping into classes and chatting at lunch times with them. So here's to a really successful year ahead - developing continued strong relationships and providing some wonderful experiences for your children!

Mrs France

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance target this year is

96+%

Whole school attendance for the year so far: 96.1% - lets improve on this for next week!

The class with the best attendance were: Y1, Y3 & Y6 all 100% - own clothes on 12.9.14

The class who need to try harder are: Y4 (88.9%)



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school focus on pupils' attendance continues this year as we attempt to build further on the successes of last year when whole school attendance was 95.5%.

Although above the National average, within Knowsley schools, we are around the mid point of the tables for our attendance performance and I feel that there is no reason why we could not improve this and be within the top 25% of Knowsley schools this year - looking to improve further in 2015/ 2016. As a result you will see that our attendance target has risen to 96+% for this year. This will be the target to reach in order to take part in the Attendance Bounce each half term too.

Of course this can only be achieved with the continued support of all parents—and we are so appreciative of those families whose children's attendance remains above this average. So, as in previous years I would ask parents to follow our policy and practice as outlined within the Parents Attendance and Punctuality Guidance booklet that you receive every term, taking particular note and consideration to the schools standing on term time leave requests (i.e. for holidays). As a school we shall be monitoring this closely, identifying patterns and working with families to improve this aspect that impacts hugely on the attendance of individual pupils and the school as a whole. Punctuality shall also be a focus for the school this year.

If we can achieve this target then we can have another amazing Attendance Celebration Party - which was such a fantastic event, as fed back by yourselves, the children and all adults involved!!!!



STAFF STRUCTURE 2014/2015

Just a reminder of who is where this year and who's who!!!

(Note: TA =Teaching Assistant

SENCo = Special Educational Needs Co ordinator)

Y6: Mrs. Wilbraham (Deputy Headteacher) **TAs:**

Mrs. Best & Mrs. Lee

Y5: Mr. Griffiths **TAs:** Mrs. McLean (until Dec) then

Miss. Pearson (Jan 2015)

Y4: Miss. Lucas **TA:** Mrs. McLean (Jan '15)

Y3: Mr. Cochrane **TA:** Mrs. McLean (Jan '15) &

Miss Blackhurst (supply TA)

Y2: Miss. Adcock **TA:** Miss. Corrigan

Y1: Miss. Connor, (SENCo & Senior Manager) **TAs:**

Miss. Luximon & Miss. Corrigan

Reception: Mrs. Rogerson (Senior Manager) **TAs:**

Miss. Cavanagh & Miss. Duck

Nursery: Mrs. Ritchie & Miss. Frazer

Preparation, Planning & Assessment cover (PPA): Mrs. Rogers

Headteacher: Mrs. Penny France (Safeguarding Officer)

Administrators: Mrs. Jean Goodall, Miss. Jo McElvey & Mrs. Bev Hewitt

Learning Mentor: Miss. Elaine Whitby (Safeguarding Officer)

Site Manager: Mr. Steve McArdle

MEET THE TEACHER !!!!



We are setting up some new meetings this year, which we have never held before, to allow you to 'meet your child/ren's teachers and to learn a little of the important things to know about to help support your child whilst they are in each teacher's class. Some common things that the teachers will outline are such things as:

- * homework for the class and how you can help
- * P.E days and kit
- * Talk about what's going to be taught this year and during the Autumn term
- * Our new Assertive Mentoring initiative

But each meeting will be very much tailored to each individual class.

These meetings will take place over the week beginning 15th September and run from 8.45—9.30p.m. we shall try to organise the timings so that parents can attend all the meetings for all their children. the meetings for their children. Please look out for more details and timings to follow later this week. Hoping that as many of you as possible will make time for these meetings, they are in addition to our normal November Parents' Evening.

HALF TERMLY CAKE SALES!!!



One of our school development focus's for this year is to develop the children's writing ability and attainment. We have many ideas in which to do this, one being creating writing theme days.

In the Summer Term 2015 we are hoping to provide the children with a really fantastic experience, which will link with the whole school's International Primary Curriculum theme and should stimulate loads of first hand experience writing . So the plan is to have a whole school trip to the seaside.

We are hoping to subsidise the trip utilising School Fund (which is always used to help support funding experiences for the children across school), but would like to hold half termly cake sales to add to this 'pot' also.

As a result, look out for information nearer the time and if you can donate any biscuits or cakes to add to the sale we would be hugely grateful.



EXTENDED PROVISION



Mosscroft's Breakfast and After School provision began last Wednesday and has run smoothly with good attendance,

which is fabulous. We hope our numbers will grow further so if you are interested in accessing this provision please pop into the Office and speak to Mrs. Hewitt or see your child's class teacher.

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

Our excellent extra curricular clubs will start up again during the week beginning 15th September. Details containing club choices will go out early this week and permission slips need to be returned by this FRIDAY, 12th September.

Don't forget club attendance adds to every child's Children's University points so they can move towards gradu-



