

## Head Teacher's Message:

### School Expansion

I'm sure you will have noticed that work has now started on the expansion project. Just a reminder that all school expansion documents and communications can be found on our dedicated webpage: <http://www.moorhall.bham.sch.uk/expansion-documents>

I intend to post a blog at least every fortnight with progress and photos. The contractors Balfour Beatty have requested that all subcontractors used during the expansion works only make deliveries to school between 9:30am and 2:30pm therefore avoiding times when children are entering or leaving school.



### School bags

As most of you will know, space around school is a challenge. We try to keep the corridors tidy and ask for your help in this by ensuring that children only bring into school what is required e.g. book bag with reading book and reading record book, any homework to hand in. They are expected to bring in a PE bag on Monday and take it home on a Friday. Infant children should bring in a Moor Hall branded book bag. Junior children can bring in a Moor Hall branded book bag, or similar sized appropriate school bag, or a Moor Hall rucksack.

### Parking/Road Safety

Please remember to drive and park responsibly and safely.

- We operate a voluntary one way system, this means you should only pass with the school on your LEFT.
- Do not double park—this would restrict an emergency vehicle getting to our neighbours or to the school.
- 20 is plenty—whilst the speed limit on the roads around school is 30 miles per hour, we think 20 is plenty.
- Do not block the pavements—you need to leave room for children, parents, pushchairs and wheelchairs to pass.
- Do not park on double yellow lines.
- Do not park, even partially, over neighbours' drives.

Next term, we have invited our local Police into school to talk to Years 5 and 6 about Road Safety.

### Start of School Day

A reminder that our school day starts at 8:50am. Children can be dropped off between 8:40am and 8:50am. Please do not drop your child off before 8:40am as we are unable to provide supervision. We are continuing this system for the next half term.

### Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day was on 6th Feb 2018. Miss Jones held an assembly for the whole school on how to use the internet safely and key messages about how to stay safe on line. We will continue to share tips from our ICT Manager in our newsletter. Everyone had a sticker to remind them of the messages.



### Big Battery Hunt

All children were sent home with a Duracell battery recycling box to collect used batteries. We now have the school recycling container (I don't think you will miss the huge battery in reception) where children can put the batteries they have collected. Duracell are running a competition and offering prizes. If your child(ren) wish to enter the entry form can be found on the correspondence page of the school website:

<http://www.moorhall.bham.sch.uk/correspondence>

Finally, I hope you can join us for the PA coffee afternoon this Friday (16th Feb). I hope you all have a lovely half term break. We will see all children and staff back in school on Monday 26th February.

*Andrew Steggall*

## Community & Charity

St James Church—Pancake Day

Why not join the BIG Pancake Day party at St James' Church on 28th February?

Details can be found on the poster here:

[http://www.moorhall.bham.sch.uk/assets/uploaded/downloads/pancake\\_party\\_Leaflet\\_FEB\\_1.pdf](http://www.moorhall.bham.sch.uk/assets/uploaded/downloads/pancake_party_Leaflet_FEB_1.pdf)



Details of the next Messy Church at St James' Church is below:



### PA Diary Dates:

Friday 16th February—Coffee Afternoon from 2pm— including pre-loved uniform and fancy dress sale.

Thursday 15th March—Pamper Eve from 7pm

Friday 23rd March—Easter Competition in school

Friday 23rd March—Film Night—5-7pm

Tuesday 24th April—Bags to school

Friday 27th April—Quiz Night 7:30pm start



Please follow and 'like' the PA Facebook page to keep up to date with all events and fund raising ideas—if you can spare half an hour to help at any events please let your class reps know. The page is called:

Moor Hall School Parents Association

### ICT Manager's Tip

*Tips, advice, guides and resources to help keep your child safe online...*

*As a parent or carer you play a key role in helping your child to stay safe online. You don't need to be an expert on the internet to help keep your child stay safe online.*

*Advice and resources are available to support you as you support your child to use the internet safely, responsibly and positively. We post tips in all our newsletters.*

Sutton United Football club are looking for budding youngsters for next season under 7s team (2018/19).

Interested children will need to be in year 1 NOW and year 2 from September 2018.

Full details can be found on a letter from Sutton United here:

[http://www.moorhall.bham.sch.uk/assets/uploaded/downloads/Sutton\\_United\\_letter\\_Feb\\_2018.pdf](http://www.moorhall.bham.sch.uk/assets/uploaded/downloads/Sutton_United_letter_Feb_2018.pdf)

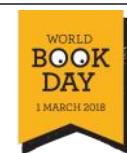


### SEN—DATE AMENDMENT

We advised in the last newsletter that Mrs Davey (SENCo) is holding drop in sessions. Please note the dates for these sessions are:

14th March—1:00pm—3:00pm

2nd May—1:00pm—3:00pm (not 2nd April as previously advised)



Just a reminder that it is **World Book Day** on Thursday 1st March and children are invited to come into school dressed as a favourite book character.

### February

26th —School re-opens

27th —Y5 Netball vs. Little Sutton

### March

1st —World Book Day—Come dressed as a book character.

2nd —Y1 Maths Workshop 9:00am

6th —Y3 Visit to St James' Church—details to follow

8th —Y4 Vikings Day

9th —Mothers Day Assembly KS1—9:15am

13th—Cross Country at Bishop Vesey—4:00pm

13th—Y3 Parents and Children's Science Eve at Coppice

14th—SEN drop in session

15th—Reception Maths workshop 9:00am

15th—Y6 Netball vs St Joseph's at Sutton College

15th—PA Pamper Night

### March

16th—Y4 Concert at Town Hall

17th (Sat) - Y5 Netball Tournament

19th—21st—Y5 Whitmoor Lakes visit

22nd—Y6 Netball @ Sutton College

23rd—Easter Competition

23rd—PA Film Night—5—7pm

28th—Easter Hat Parade

28th—Last Day of Term

29th—INSET Day

### April

Monday 16th April—school re-open after Easter break

