

## Head Teacher's Message:



Last Friday was our Juniors Sports Day. It was a fantastic morning and the sun shone for us. A huge thank you to Mrs Petty for making the changes needed to be able to hold this important event during the expansion works.

We are now looking forward to the infants sports day.

**Key Stage 1 (all classes) - Friday 29th June at 9:30am**

Please send you child to school with a t-shirt in the colour of their house

team to wear with their normal PE shorts/skirt and trainers/pumps. Don't forget to sun cream your children!

The house colours are: **Armstrong—yellow**    **Bolt—green**    **Cadbury—blue**    **Ennis—Red**



### School Expansion

Please follow my regular blogs to keep up to date on the school expansion works.

Balfour Beatty issue a regular newsletter to our neighbours and these can be found here:

[http://www.moorhall.bham.sch.uk/assets/uploaded/downloads/Moor\\_Hall\\_newsletter\\_May\\_2018\\_1.pdf](http://www.moorhall.bham.sch.uk/assets/uploaded/downloads/Moor_Hall_newsletter_May_2018_1.pdf)

Other expansion information, including photos of progress can be found on our website.

The contractors contact details are Darren Holmes 07855 438063 Tina Phillips (Liaison Officer) 07854199719 — if you have any concerns or questions.

### EYFS Plans

I am pleased to be able to tell you that planning has been approved for the improvements we would like to make to our EYFS provision and we have also secured the majority of the funding. We will be working with contractors Honeybourne's and we hope that much of the work will take place over the summer holidays.

Letters have recently been sent out to you regarding:

- Music fees for those children learning a musical instrument in school. Please can you send in your payment as soon as possible?
- Discounts currently available on school uniform at Marks and Spencers, up to 3rd July.
- Mr Winter's very exciting Oral History Project (details on our blog too) <http://moorhall.blogspot.com/2018/06/moor-hall-school-oral-history-project.html>
- Run4schools—a fantastic opportunity to take part in a 5k (3m) family focused charity run. We are looking for a sponsor for 'Team Moor Hall' t-shirts—can you help? Please let me know if you can.

Finally, we are having some lovely hot sunshine at the moment. Please can I remind you to always send you children into school with a water bottle, sun hat and apply suncream before school. Please do not send your child into school with lip balm.

Finally, please make a note of the dates for your diary which can be found in this newsletter, including a non-uniform day in return for tombola prizes on **Friday 29th June**.

*Andrew Steggall*

### June

27th—Year 2 Class Assembly 9:15am  
 27th—Trigolf—Years 3,4,5  
 28th—Year 3 Roman Extravaganza 3:45pm  
 29th KS1 Sports Day 9:30am  
 29th—Non Uniform Day  
 30th—Summer Fair

INSET DAYS for 2018/19:  
 3rd & 4th September 2018.  
 7th January 2019  
 22nd July 2019.

### July

4th and 5th—Induction Day for Year 6 at Arthur Terry  
 10th—Year 6 Rotary Award Presentation Eve at Sutton Coldfield Town Hall 6:30pm  
 12th—Parents Evening  
 13th—Change 4 Life Festival  
 15th—Race4Schools—5k run— Sutton Park  
 18th and 19th—Year 6 Performance  
 20th—Year 6 Leavers Assembly  
 20th—Last day of school for children



**Can you help?  
Toys for Ladybirds.....**

Early Years are in need of any pre-loved, well cared for small world toys e.g. people, animals, pirates, dinosaurs, space, farm, boats, playmobile etc. No bigger than the size of your hand type of toys.

Please can you bring any donations into school reception or into Ladybirds.

**Thank you very much.**

**PA Diary Dates:**

Do you have our Summer Fair in your diary?  
**Saturday 30th June from 12pm**



**Wildlife Garden HELP!**

Thank you very much to Mr & Mrs Gumbly for putting our fence around the wildlife garden which the children have been painting this week.

We now need to find a way to keep the bit of grass trimmed and wondered if a parent/grandparent might have access to a cordless strimmer and would be able to spare half an hour every few weeks to cut the grass.

Please could you let Mrs Glare know if you are able to help?

**GDPR Statement.** We have started to update our policies to reflect GDPR and they will be available on the Policies and Documents page of our website.

**Community Tea**

Last week our Year 6 children hosted our annual Community Tea. Over 50 people, who have helped our school over the last year, were entertained by Year 6 including singing, playing musical instruments and dancing. They then served our guests with afternoon tea.

It was a great success. Year 6, Miss Shindler and Mrs Russell worked so hard to make it a truly memorable event.

**Reminder: Grammar School Admissions entry September 2019**

The entrance test to be considered for any of the grammar schools in Birmingham in September 2019 will be held on

**Saturday 8th September 2018** and parents of Year 5 children considering grammar school will need to register them for the test by **4pm on Friday 29th June**.

You can find more information and can register your child by visiting: [www.birminghamgrammarschools.org](http://www.birminghamgrammarschools.org)



**Year 1 have put on a wonderful parents assembly about the Great Fire of London. They all did a fantastic job. Well Done Miss Hoare, Mrs Evans all of Year 1.**

**King Edward's School, Birmingham** are holding an Open Evening on Tuesday 26th June between 6pm and 8pm.

There will also be an Open Morning on Saturday 15th September.

If either of these dates are not convenient the school would welcome you to contact them to arrange a separate visit.

Further details about these Open Days and about the school can be found in the King Edward's School leaflets in the porch or by contacting the school:

Tel: 0121 472 1672  
Email: [office@kes.org.uk](mailto:office@kes.org.uk)  
Web: [www.kes.org.uk](http://www.kes.org.uk)

**Modeshift Stars**

3 children were invited to the Birmingham Council House in Victoria Square last week to be presented with our Bronze Modeshift Stars award. We have achieved this award by taking a number of actions to promote road safety around our school. Myriam, Martha and Kaiya travelled by train to the event where they took part in a number of activities and accepted the award on behalf of



Moor Hall School. We continue to work with our Road Safety Group and others with the Silver Award as our next aim.



In May there was a National Mental Health Awareness Week. Mental health can affect anyone regardless of age and strength of character. Two websites that can offer help, support or advice regarding mental health are: <https://www.mind.org.uk> and <https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk>

**SUTTON IN BLOOM**—You may already know that Sutton Coldfield are entering into the Britain in Bloom competition this year. You can find more details on the website below. The Royal Town Council has suggested ways in which you can help to make our town look lovely. Do get involved if you can.

<https://www.suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/bloom/>

### Father's Day

We hope all the Dads, Grandads, Uncles, Friends of KS1 enjoyed the lovely Father's Day Assembly. The children sang beautifully and described their Dads very well.

### Scooter Parking

If you are leaving your child's scooter at school, please note that is done so at your own risk. Please ensure all scooters are placed by the left hand railings as you enter the school gates and not on the gates which surround the Early Years outdoor area.

Thank you.

### Music Concert

The hugely impressive array of musical talent in our school was showcased at our music concert. Everyone who plays a musical instrument in school performed along with beautiful singing from our school choir.

### Governor's Profile—Mr James Gibson

I have been lucky enough to be involved as a school governor for the past three years. Sarah now in year 5 and my sons Callum and Rory who have both have left school all thrived at Moor Hall in no small measure to the passion, care and dedication of all staff here. Hearing some of the challenges faced by schools and education in general provided me the motivation to volunteer as a parent Governor. My main aim is to support our school, improve our children's learning environment and turn out well rounded Moor Hall Children confident and capable of tackling the next part of their journey.

I have run my own business and been in sales for a long time, this helps me with my involvement with the finance committee, staff recruitment and the current expansion plans. I thoroughly enjoy my role as Class Governor currently for Y3, they are a funny, kind, polite and inquisitive lot keeping me on my toes in class! I'm involved with class visits and craft lessons etc. helping me to better understand the challenges faced by the children and staff day to day.

Outside school my kids keep me pretty busy but I enjoy running, cycling and spending time with my wider family.

**KEEP  
CALM  
IT'S NO SCHOOL  
UNIFORM**

Don't forget it is in non-uniform day on **Friday 29th June** in return for a tombola prize for the Summer Fair

KS1 please bring a for the children's tombola and KS2 please bring a prize for the adult tombola. If you are bringing in a pre-loved item, please make sure it is in good condition.

### Golden Tea with Mr Steggall



These children enjoyed tea and a chat with Mr Steggall. Every term one child from each class is nominated by the Lunchtime Staff for excellent behaviour at lunchtime. Mr Steggall said 'I really look forward to sharing tea with the children. We have a lovely chat together and enjoy the delicious cakes and fruit.'

**Class photos** are on display in the school receptions. Letters have gone to parents with details of how to order. The deadline is **Monday 16th July** and the photos are **£13 each**.

I'm pleased to be able to let you know that the teaching and support staff for 2018/2019 is:

Reception: Teachers— Miss Hoare, Mrs Petryshyn, Mrs Davey - Teaching Assistant—Mrs Howis

Year 1: Teacher—Miss Chiswell—Teaching Assistant—Mrs Evans

Year 2: Teacher—Miss Hall—Teaching Assistant—Mrs Glare

Year 3: Teacher—Mr Winter—Teaching Assistant—New appointment

Year 4: Teacher—Miss Thomas—Teaching Assistant—Mrs Russell

Year 5: Teachers—Miss Hurrell, Miss Phillips—Teaching Assistant—Lorna Curwen

Year 6: Teacher—Miss Shindler—Teaching Assistant—Mrs Russell

### Online Safety

Keeping children safe online is of paramount importance in this digital age.

Parentzone is an online resource for schools and parents. Please follow the link for more information and useful resources:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/>