

1st March 2017



# Newsletter

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Welcome back to the second half term of the new year. I hope you have all had a fun and restful week.

I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to the chair of our PA, Mrs Zoe Harold and Mrs Kim Edwards who are running in the 8.5 mile **Fun Run** on the 4th June and raising funds for our school. This is just fantastic. If you are able to help please visit their justgiving page:

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/zoe-harold?utm\\_id=2&utm\\_term=beeJ7EDdD](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/zoe-harold?utm_id=2&utm_term=beeJ7EDdD)

Before half term we launched our fabulous **reading challenge**. I hope you have received the letter describing the challenge along with a lovely new book and booklet to record the books your child/children read over the coming weeks and months. A huge thank you to everyone who has helped our PA to raise the funds to pay for these books. Happy Reading and maybe you will find some inspiration for that World Book Day costume on Friday 3rd March!

Andrew Steggall

## Sainsbury's

In Sainsbury's until 20th June



### Sainsbury's Active vouchers are back.

If you or any of your friends and family shop at Sainsbury's please can you collect the Active vouchers for our school... we rely on these to replace all sorts of sporting equipment for both lessons and lunchtime.

### Going For GOLD

We are hugely proud to announce that we have been awarded the prestigious Gold Sports Mark Award recognising the outstanding work Moor Hall do in PE and school sport. We have now received our plaque. Well done to everyone involved.



### Year 2 Multi Skills Competition—WINNERS

Year 2 were the winners of the multi skills competition at Sutton College. Fantastic team work—well done to the students and a big thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came to support them.



### A Call for Parent Helpers

Are you able to give an hour or two of your time to help us at school?

We are looking for volunteers who would like to be involved in our school by helping with a variety of tasks including listening to readers, admin tasks etc.

If you are able to help please can you contact Miss Jones at school:

telephone number: 0121 675 3966 or email: [enquiry@moorhall.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@moorhall.bham.sch.uk)

### Polite Reminder

Please can you ensure that you are at school to collect your child/children in time for the end of school at 3:20pm.

We understand there are sometimes unforeseen circumstances where this might not be possible. In these exceptional cases please call the school as soon as you know you will be late.

Children not collected by 3:30pm will go to Moorhens and the appropriate charge will apply.

### Red Nose Day—Friday 24th March 2017

Red Nose Day is back on Friday 24th March and we'd love to support it again by wearing red noses to school on that day in return for a voluntary contribution to the charity.



Please note that as it's Mother's Day Assembly at 9.30am for KS1, red noses can be brought into school and worn after assembly.

### Safeguarding Tip from Mr Hall LTE ICT technician

Before half term we celebrated Safer Internet Day in school. Visit the website to find out more information and get some really useful help and advice.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre>



Safer Internet Day 2017 | Tuesday 7 February  
Be the change. Link to a better internet  
[www.saferinternetday.org.uk](http://www.saferinternetday.org.uk)

## GOVERNOR'S GOSSIP

We thought you might like to know a little more about our wonderful Moor Hall Governors and the invaluable (voluntary!) work they do for our school. Who better to start off with than...

*Pam Garrington—Our Chair of Governors*

"I have been a governor at Moor Hall for many years, starting out as a parent governor when my daughter was in Year 2. I have lived in this area for most of my life. The role of a Governor has become more challenging in recent times. There is a requirement for Governing Boards to hold schools to account for the performance of the children and of the staff. I have regular meetings with the Head teacher to discuss the progress of the strategic priorities in the school improvement plan. The proposed plans for the expansion of the school and regular meetings with Birmingham City Council have taken up a lot of my time. We also frequently discuss the impact of the school budget, the reduction in real terms of the funding we receive and our commitment to continue to provide the very best educational outcomes for all our children. We are very fortunate to employ hard working staff who have the highest expectations, the drive and the dedication to provide the best for the children – and also a leadership group who inspire and nurture teamwork. I am, in addition, the named governor for safeguarding and attend regular training meetings with the designated lead for safeguarding, Miss Jones, to ensure that keeping our children safe is always at the forefront of all our minds. The policy and procedures we have in place for this at Moor Hall are of the highest standard. Finally, the joy of governance is to meet the children: curious, enthusiastic and articulate in the classroom, flourishing in school performances and assemblies and kind, generous in spirit and respectful of one another!"

### Special Educational Needs (SEN)

Drop in meetings will be arranged with Mrs Davey (SENCo) for SEN children following recent parents evenings.

Mrs Davey will be in touch soon with dates.

### Year 3 Stone Age Day



Year 3 had a fantastic time on Stone Age Day. We all enjoyed making felt and looking at the artefacts and finding out how life was for Stone Age people.



### Year 2 Trip to the Space Centre



Year 2 had an 'out of this world' experience when they visited the Space Centre.

All the photos can be found on the Year 2 page on our website, or follow the link [here](#).



### Dates for Your Diary

#### February

27th Feb—3rd March—Scholastic Book Fair in School

#### March

3rd—World Book Day dressing up

6th—9th & 13th—16th —Year 5 Bikeability

20th—24th—Y5 Residential Trip

24th—KS1 Mother's Day Assembly

24th—Red Nose Day

#### April

6th—Easter Hat Parade and last day at school

7th—Inset Day

24th—Return to School

#### May

1st—May Day bank holiday

4th—School closed for local elections

8th—12th—Key Stage 2 SATs week

26th—Break up for half term

#### June

5th—Return to school

### Music Money

A reminder that money for music lessons is due for the spring term. The amounts to pay are as follows:

Violin, Cello, Clarinet and Flute - £86 for the term

Keyboard Years 5 and 6 - £66 for the term

Guitar Years 4 & 6 - £70 for the term

Please can you send your payment into school as soon as possible. If you are paying by cheque, it would be helpful if money for different instruments is sent as separate cheques. Please check with Mrs Michel in the school office if you are not sure if you have paid for the spring term.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Well Done  
to ENNIS in Ladybirds  
and  
ARMSTRONG in Y2  
Winners of the  
inter-house Multi Skills  
Competition.

