

Head Teacher's Message:

My huge thanks go to Zoe Harold, our chair of the PA and everyone who helped to bring **Moorfest** to fruition. It was a truly memorable day with a wonderful school community spirit. Please see our Charity and Community News below for the amazing amount of money raised. Well Done and a very sincere 'thank you'.

If you would like to be involved in our wonderful PA then please drop Zoe Harold a note either via the PA Facebook page or a note in the PA box outside the school hall.

There are also plenty of opportunities to help in and around our school. If you are interested in knowing how you could be involved please email school : enquiry@moorhall.bham.sch.uk

Healthy
Child

We have had a wonderful term of class assemblies, music assemblies and sporting events. I hope you enjoy reading in this newsletter about the lovely activities the children have been involved in. I am very proud that our children continually support our vision of **The Moor**

Hall Child through these activities and demonstrate how well they follow our **Golden Rules**.

Achieving
Child

One Way System

Can I please remind you that a voluntary one way road system operates around school. This is hugely beneficial in ensuring that traffic flows and avoids the need for cars to mount the pavements to allow vehicles to pass, which is so dangerous for our children. The one way system starts at the top of Essex Road (no left turn out of Essex Road on to Rowallen Road) and ends at Homer Road.

This means that you should only ever drive past with the school on your LEFT hand side. Thank you for your co-operation.

End of Year Reports

End of academic year reports will be distributed to parents, via book bags, on Friday 7th July. There will be an opportunity for parents to discuss any issues arising from the report at the parental consultation evening organised for Thursday 13th July 4-7pm, should you wish to make an appointment with the class teacher. Otherwise, work will be displayed in classrooms and you are welcome to come in and view your child's work without appointment (between 4pm and 7pm).

Defibrillator

I am grateful to the Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Council who have been working to source a defibrillator which we hope will be sited outside our school for the use of our school and the local community. This potentially life saving equipment is in a secure unit accessible to named persons and the emergency services. Training for school staff and the community will be part of the project and we are looking forward to receiving more information. I will update you in the new term on how this is developing.



Expansion Update

I've published updated information about expansion on our school's website. The message I have issued from Birmingham City Council (BCC) explains that the date set by the adjudicator as a condition for planning permission was not achievable from the point of receipt of the report. The local authority are communicating with the adjudicator to request an extension so that adequate time for planning consultation can be given. I will keep you all up to date through the blog and newsletters. Please also follow our school on Twitter. I know that many are waiting for advice about September 2017 and I will publish information as soon as I gain clarity from the LA and adjudicator's office.

Best wishes,

Andrew Steggall

Moorhens

We are pleased to inform parents and carers that Joanne Andrews, the new Business Manager for Moorhens, our before and after school provision, has now started her new role.



Mrs Andrews started on 26th June 2017 and is responsible for Financial and Staff Management, including looking at the budget and strategic planning. She has been tasked with moving the provision forward in terms of implementing a new online system and we hope that parents will embrace the positive changes that this will bring.

At the moment she is collating the relevant data needed to access the online systems available in the marketplace and we hope that during the next academic year we will be in a position to upgrade our paper based system.

July

6th—KS1 Sports Day 9:30am
7th—Guitar Assembly 9:30am
13th—Parents Evening 4:00pm—7:00pm
14th—Year 2 Class Assembly—9:15am
19th—Year 6 performance—7:00pm
20th—Year 6 performance—7:00pm
24th—KS2 re-arranged sports day—9:15am
25th—Year 6 leavers assembly 9:30am
25th—Last day of school year



September

4th—INSET DAY
5th—School re-opens for children

October

10th—Parents Evening Appointments
12th—Parents Evening Appointments
19th—Individual School Photographs
20th—Last day of half term
30th—School Reopens

Arthur Terry Summer Schools

Arthur Terry still have places on their Sports and Drama Summer Schools. These happen during the first week of the holidays. As we are at school on Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th July, parents can book three days only. A discount is available for those transferring to Arthur Terry in September.

Further details can be found on the Arthur Terry Website [HERE](#).

KS2 Sports day has been re-arranged for Monday 24th July at 9:30am.

Unfortunately, due to the adverse weather, the KS 2 Sports Day was cancelled. A new date is in the diary and everyone is welcome. Fingers crossed for a dry morning.

KS1 Sports Day will take place on Thursday 6th July at 9:30am.



School closes at the usual time on Tuesday 25th July.

There is an INSET day on Monday 4th September.

School re-opens for children on Tuesday 5th September.

The Reading Challenge has been a huge success this year. Those children who have achieved a Platinum Award will be entered into a prize draw and winners will be announced during the week commencing 17th July.



Thank you to everyone for joining in the reading fun.

ICT Safeguarding Tip

Snapchat has introduced snapmap, a feature that allows users to track other snapchatters exact locations.

Responsible
Child

It is strongly advised that you check devices and enable Ghost Mode and prevent others from seeing your location. Ghost Mode will hide you from other users and will not share your location on the map.

Further details and instructions can be found on our newsletter web page [HERE](#).

New Classes / Teachers

I am pleased to be able to advise you of the class teachers for the next academic year. A separate letter will also be sent.

The children will be meeting their new teachers on Thursday 6th July.

Ladybirds—Mrs Davey

Year 1—Miss Hoare

Year 2—Miss Martin (every morning) Miss Jones (every afternoon)

Year 3—Miss Phillips

Year 4—Mr Winter (4W—previously 3P) and Miss Hall (4H—previously 3W)

Year 5— Miss Hurrell

Year 6—Miss Shindler (additional support from Mrs Menmuir

Class Assemblies

The Year 1 class assembly told the story of the Great Fire of London in 1666 through words, songs and an impressive "flaming fire" dance. All of



the children delivered their lines clearly and sang with gusto! Thanks to all the parents for providing costumes and props to help, whilst Year 4 transported us back in time to Ancient Egypt. Truly brilliant!



Confident Child

Music



The series of music assemblies has continued with keyboard, violin, viola, clarinet and flute players all performing brilliantly to very appreciative audiences.

Thanks must go to all the parents who support their children through practice sessions and to all the music teachers for their dedication in nurturing the musical talents that exist across the school.



Moor Hall Sports Round Up

Year 5 Cricket Festival at Sutton Cricket Club—we had the winning team at this event and pupils have progressed to the finals at Warwickshire County Cricket Ground on 20th July. What an experience!



Year 5 Cluster Day

Year 5 visited Arthur Terry to explore the importance of mental health. We had LOADS of fun!! There are lots more photos on the [Moor Hall Blog](#).

School Football Team collected their trophy

Moor Hall School Football team were given gold medals and received the Small Schools League Trophy last week from Lloyd Dwyer, who currently plays for Burton Albion, at the Sutton Coldfield School Football Presentation Evening. The success continued in the raffle, as Moor Hall won 3 out of the 8 prizes!



Year 6 Day also spent a day at Arthur Terry with the theme of 'Happiness' - Pupils did English workshops around the theme then finished the day with a traditional sports day including a tug of war, space hopper races, tin can alley and face painting.

And more **Year 5 football** with a 6 a side Football tournament at Wyndley against strong competition coming a very respectable 2nd in their group - Well Done!



Community and Charity NEWS

Parents' Association— MOORFEST

The PA event, "Moorfest", took place on Saturday 1st July, although the morning was cloudy as preparations were made, the sun came out just in time for the start at 1pm. We were entertained by dance acts, including belly dancers, live bands and our own "Moor Hall's Got Talent". Congratulations go to the winning act of Louis and Dante (Y3), who performed "Shape of You" and were awarded a trophy to celebrate their achievement. Thanks go to Zoe and her team for another very successful event which raised an amazing £3,446.64.



Charity

St Basils

Thank you to everyone who has donated toiletries for young homeless people. They will be collected by the charity before the end of term so please do drop in anything else you might have to give during the next week. The box is in the school porch.

We need your VOICE!

SC Choirs is a Sutton Coldfield based organisation offering vocal training and unique performance opportunities for ALL ages. Cluster Choir (ages 9-13) and the Training Choir (ages 6-9) visited our school to perform and promote membership for the 2017-18 season.

SC Choirs prides itself in being a family of active choirs, inspiring a love of music through singing. They promote a sense of pride, self-esteem and accomplishment through their outstanding choral programme - why not come and join the fun? They would love to see you in September!

To find out more about how to join and the opportunities offered, visit the website: www.suttoncoldfieldchoirs.org.uk

