



The Mosley Academy Newsletter

Friday 24/01/2025



Reception Stay and Play—details on EYFS newsletter

We would like to invite Reception parents to a stay and play on Wednesday 26th February. We will be focusing our provision on Art, so you can join your children and get creative with us and see our amazing work on Kandinsky!



Girls Football

Well done to the Year 6 girls football team who ventured to Burton Albion earlier in the week with Miss Grimshaw. They won one and lost the other games but fought hard and worked superbly as a team, most importantly enjoying the opportunity. Miss Grimshaw is also a semi professional footballer so she is the perfect staff member to lead the teams at Mosley! Miss Grimshaw will be taking over the football from Mr Hussein after half term. More details to follow...

Year 2 Parents lunch

Great to see so many parents in school today for a fishy Friday lunch. Thanks so much to Mellors for enabling parents to come in to school and enjoy a school dinner with our pupils. We hope you enjoyed it!

Litter Picking

Well Done to Imme, Oscar and Annabelle who went around the village litter picking, we are very proud of you all!

We are sure the people of Anslow appreciate it too!



Emotional Literacy support (ELSA)

Mrs Kavanagh is attending extensive training and development to become our school ELSA. We have attached further details so as you can read all about it. We provide ELSA to children in school who we believe may need a little extra support at times. If you have any questions please do ask. <https://www.elsa-support.co.uk>

[Resources for Emotional Literacy Support Assistants - ELSA Support](https://www.elsa-support.co.uk)

Emotional literacy support assistants - or ELSAs - are teaching assistants trained to provide emotional and social skills support to children.

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Mrs Flaherty is continuing in her role as wellbeing support on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. We are calling this Paws for Thought as she will often bring in Truffle, our much loved school dog! We have a wealth of support in school that isn't just one to one or group work. These range from class worry boxes, to our Happiness Room, sensory room, positive play groups, play mobile therapy and lunch time clubs and our relational and restorative approach to ensure children feel they belong at Mosley are safe, happy and valued. As always, if you have any suggestions or resources that we can use to build on our offer please do let us know.



Forest School

Please can we remind parents to send Year 4 children in with a change of clothes for Forest School on Thursdays.

We go out whatever the weather, please bring Forest School clothes in a separate bag.

Pupil Leadership Team

Mrs Rowe has met with our pupil leadership team this afternoon and discussed some of our School Improvement targets to see how the children think we are progressing and any other suggestions for actions. Thank you to our Head girl and boy and Deputy head girl and boy for your insights and dedication to making Mosley the best it can be!

PTFA

Thank you to Mrs Ingham and the PTFA for a very productive meeting this week. Lots of fantastic ideas. Everyone is welcome to help on the PTFA - even if this is just for an hour at an event, background help in preparing for events or just coming along to a meeting. Monies raised are invested in our children. This year, the Lichfield Garrick coach costs were paid for in full and £100 donated for each class to help to reduce the cost of school trips to parents. Thank you for your dedication and commitment PTFA. It is valued and makes a difference. More to follow of course!

Stakeholder survey

At the end of the Autumn term, we invited all parents, staff and children to complete the JTMAT surveys. We now have an extensive analysis of responses. We only had 37 responses from parents, which, although was a positive number in comparison to other schools, was still a little disappointing for us as we really would have liked to have more parents complete this questionnaire. Thank you to those who responded though. It is appreciated.

Overall, our parents rated all areas in the questionnaire as good with the exception of personal development which was rated as outstanding. These are pleasing outcomes for us as a school. Areas noted as strengths were library facilities and quality of teaching. Areas that could be improved further were class sizes, homework and site security.

Mosley is a popular and often over subscribed school which really is wonderful! For this reason, we are full in every class. Class sizes are, in reception and KS1, 30 children per class. This is the legal limit for infant class sizes. For KS2 class sizes, there is no legal limit. Our KS2 classes are all currently all 31 children.

Homework. At the beginning of the new academic year we reviewed our homework policy with the aim to make this clearer and more succinct for children and parents. We decided to focus on the basic, but very important skills of reading, arithmetic and spellings to ensure that this was manageable for children and parents.

Year 6, this term, have homework expectations increased in the run up to the SATS and transition to secondary school. Of course, if you would like your child to do more, please see the Curriculum Newsletters via the website. Please do send in any further comments that you may have on homework for us to consider as we will always look at these suggestions.

Security. We agree. Over the past year, Mrs Rowe and Mrs Carlton have been working with the Trust's Estates manager to work on a programme of improvements, but particularly to the main front entrance and car park areas. We currently have a planning permission application in with the council in order to reconfigure the pedestrian entrance and car park entrance. You will see the planning permission notices up outside of school any day. We hope that you will support this consultation process. In the mean time, we have made our procedures and systems more robust this ranges from visitor induction and checking processes to added security on the main entrances. Please can we remind all visitors to school to close the side gate behind them, not to use the car park entrance as a pedestrian access where possible and to not park in the staff car park unless prior permission has been granted.

The staff and children's surveys were an absolute delight with mainly outstanding features from both groups in all areas.

The main areas of strength for the children's survey were behaviour management, and leadership and management within the staff team. Children gave a strong good to the curriculum areas and personal development, with just a few subjects that they said they didn't enjoy as much as others.

The staff's only areas for development were security, as all staff are aware of the work we are doing in this area. The children's main concern was the junior toilets. You will also be pleased to hear (the children even gave a little cheer in assembly!) that we are being supported well by the Trust to update our junior cloakroom and toilet area. This work is in hand and will be completed over the Summer months so come September we will have new fancy and beautiful smelling toilets! The school council have been finding ways to try to improve the toilets in the meantime so thank you children for your work in this area.

There were, of course a small number of comments where some parents were not happy with a certain aspect of the school. As the survey is anonymous, we would really appreciate it if you could come and talk to us direct as we are always happy to discuss your concerns with you openly and collaboratively.

Thank you once again for your support. We value working in partnership with you as we know this impacts positively on 'our' children.

Requests

We are looking to add a few bits to our Happiness Room. If anyone has an uplighter or lamp they no longer need we would love it to add to our 'mood lighting' in this room. We are also always on the look out for 'cuddly, soft cushions, cuddly blankets, baskets etc.

Please also keep the OPAL loose parts donations coming in - particularly large cardboard boxes and den building items. Cable reels, crates, sandpit buckets and spade, mud kitchen utensils and anything you think the children will enjoy. We know that your children will know if its okay for OPAL play or not. In the Spring time we will be organising another OPAL play afternoon for families so as you can join in the den building, cafe creations and even the pool noodle rough and tumble zone!

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OF

THE

WEEK!

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Rec	Erel
Y1	George
Y2	Henry
Y3	Aidan
Y4	Isaac M
Y5	Teddy
Y6	Eloise

ATTENDANCE Target 97.5%

Year Group	This Week Attendance %	Days Missed This Week
Rec	94.7	8
Year 1	98.7	2
Year 2	96	6
Year 3	98.7	2
Year 4	98.7	2
Year 5	94.1	9
Year 6	97.1	4.5
Whole School	96.8	33.5



Whole School Year to Date Attendance

96.9%

575.5 days missed so far this year

Diary Dates 2024 - 2025

Any changes made from the previous week will be marked in red

DATE	YEAR	EVENT
Fri 31st Jan	Y3,4,5,6	Young Voices (those signed up only)
Mon 3rd Feb - Fri 7th Feb	ALL	Children's Mental Health Week
Tues 11th Feb	ALL	Internet Safety Day
Thurs 13th Feb	ALL	School Disco
Fri 14th Feb	ALL	Break Up for Half Term
Mon 17th Feb - Fri 21st Feb	ALL	Half Term
Mon 24th Feb	ALL	Return to School
Fri 28th Feb	Y3	Y3 Parent Lunch
Thurs 6th Mar	ALL	World Book Day
Fri 14th Mar	Y4	Y4 Parent Lunch
Fri 4th Apr	Y5	Y5 Parent Lunch
Fri 11th Apr	ALL	Break Up for Easter
Mon 14th Apr - Fri 25th Apr	ALL	Easter Holidays
Mon 28th Apr	ALL	Return to School

DATE	YEAR	EVENT
Fri 2nd May	ALL	May Day Celebrations
Mon 5th May	ALL	May Bank Holiday - School Closed
Mon 12th May -	Y6	SATs Week
Fri 23rd May	ALL	Break Up for Half Term
Mon 26th May - Fri	ALL	Half Term
Mon 2nd Jun	ALL	Return to School
Mon 16th Jun	Y3/Y4	WCET Violin and Ukulele Concert, Birmingham
Fri 20th Jun	ALL	Sports Day and Summer Fair
Wed 2nd Jul	Rec,	Seaside Day EYFS and KS1
Thurs 3rd Jul	Y3,4,5,	Seaside Day KS2
Fri 4th Jul	ALL	INSET Day - School Closed to Children
Wed 9th Jul	KS2	Summer Music Showcase
Tues 15th Jul	ALL	Move Up Morning and Meet the Teacher (3.30pm-
Fri 18th Jul	ALL	Break Up for Summer Holidays
Mon 21st Jul	ALL	INSET Day - School Closed to Children
Tues 22nd Jul - Fri	ALL	Summer Holidays

95%	=	40 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days	ATTENDANCE MATTERS WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN? BE SMART BE THERE! <small>Percentages based on 190 academic days</small>
90%	=	80 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day	
85%	=	120 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days	
80%	=	160 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days	

Quit for a smokefree household

Let us help you **create a smokefree household** to protect your loved ones!

What we can offer you:

- Free nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) and vapes to support your journey
- Weekly non judgemental group sessions or one to one appointments for 12 weeks
- Support with how to manage cravings and withdrawal symptoms

Who can we support?

- If you live in Staffordshire*
 - If you smoke tobacco products
 - If you are pregnant, or have had a pregnancy within the last 6 months
 - If you live with someone who is pregnant, or has had a pregnancy within the last 6 months
 - If you live with a child aged 0-3 years old



What do I do now?

Tel: **0333 005 0095**

Email: **eh.staffs@nhs.net**

Visit: **staffordshire.everyonehealth.co.uk**



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How can smoking harm you and your family?

Smoking can cause **serious harmful effects** to the whole household.



Tobacco smoke can contain over 4000 harmful chemicals, which are inhaled through the cigarette. Secondhand smoke exposure can just be as harmful to others around you, especially children.

Short term second hand smoke exposure

- Eye irritation
- Headaches
- Coughs
- Sore Throat
- Dizziness
- Nausea
- Decline in lung function in asthmatics

Long term second hand smoke exposure

Lung Cancer	Increase by 20-30% in non smokers
Coronary Heart Disease	Increase 25-35% in non smokers
Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)	45% more likely
Stroke	Increased risk by 20-30%
Asthma/Respiratory illness in children	Increased risk by 30%
Meningitis (Invasive meningococcal disease)	Risk is doubled

- **Children** are 4 times as likely to take up smoking if they live in a smoking household
- **Pets** - Secondhand smoke can affect pets and can cause breathing problems, or make your pet's existing breathing problems worse. Due to the toxic gases, this will increase certain types of cancers, such as lung, nose, mouth cancers and lymphoma.

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FEBRUARY CAMP ITINERARY 2025



	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
08:15-09:15	Sign in, Intro games, Lego, Colouring	Sign in, Intro games, Lego, Colouring	Sign in, Intro games, Lego, Colouring	Sign in, Intro games, Lego, Colouring	Sign in, Intro games, Lego, Colouring
09:15-09:30	Intro, Welcome and Rules	Intro, Welcome and Rules	Intro, Welcome and Rules	Intro, Welcome and Rules	Intro, Welcome and Rules
09:30-10:30	Dodgeball	Netball	Gymnastics	Nerf	Ninja Warrior
10:30-11:00	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11:00-12:00	Invasion Games	Benchball	Hockey	Sitting Volleyball	Ultimate Camp Games
12:00-13:00	Lunch and Choice	Lunch and Choice	Lunch and Choice	Lunch and Choice	Lunch and Choice
13:00-14:00	Football	Football Rounders	Handball	Scatterball	End Zone Basketball
14:00-14:30	All about me (worksheet)	Archery	Circle Games	Arts and Crafts	Camp Choice (2 x Fav. activities from camp)
14:30-15:15	Tidy up and Plenary (Discussion of the day)	Tidy up and Plenary (Discussion of the day)	Tidy up and Plenary (Discussion of the day)	Tidy up and Plenary (Discussion of the day)	tidy up and trophy give away
15:15	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal