



The Mosley Academy Newsletter

Friday 20/06/2025



Sports Day - Active Bodies, Active Minds!

It was another hot sports day for Mosley! Well done to all of the children and the staff for making it such a wonderful afternoon of fun and physical activity for all. We always hold our Sports day at the end of the Youth Sport Trust's National School Sports Week. Children and staff have enjoyed a week of experiencing a number of different activities throughout the week. Thanks to Mrs Ingham for organising Sports week again this year. Please take a look on our social media accounts for photos of the classes taking part in their activities.

Our fair is after school today so thank you in advance for all the support from the PTFA in organising the event again this year. It takes a lot of hard work and care so I am sure that you will join us in thanking the PTFA team, led by Kate and Kaye, for their commitment and enthusiasm in making the event an enjoyable one. Please help by spending your money where you can as every penny counts towards building the PTFA funds that help to pay for so many things for the children - including a very smart pop up Gazebo for each class to stay sun safe at Sport day! if you think you can give a little time to helping the PTFA next year - or even taking a lead on fundraising then please get in touch with Kate, Mrs Rowe or Mrs Day and we would love to have you on board to help organise future fundraising and events for the children.

The Youth Sport Trust relentlessly encourages the adoption of 60 minutes a day of PE, sport, and play for every child. At Mosley, we take this challenge on and try to embed physical activity into many parts of the school day. By doing this, we hope to improve children's experiences and attitudes toward physical activity and sport. The UK's Chief Medical Officers' recommendation is for children and young people to do 60 minutes of physical activity each day. Through our approach to playtimes and breaks and other activities within the school day, we are well on our way to achieving this!

OFSTED Report 2025

We are pleased to share with you our final report! Jim Gardner, chair of Governors has also written to you to share some of the lovely comments and feedback that we also received throughout the two days. It was, of course, a challenging week to receive an inspection during the Year 6 SATS tests so thank you to the staff who showed flexibility and determination during the two days in order to protect the children's important week. It was also so lovely to receive such supportive comments and recognition from many of our parents during the week - and following!

A big thank you to all the staff and children for their dedication to making Mosley such a special place to be. Thank you again to the parents who spoke to the inspectors and to those parents who took the time to complete the inspection online feedback form. If you have any questions, please do get in touch.

Wrap Around Care

We ask for your help in sharing the advert for the after school wrap around care position. At the moment we have only been able to recruit one new staff member to run this.

[JTMAT Vacancies - Google Search](#)

Breakfast club will run as per this year. However, we will be introducing a new booking process due to increasing numbers attending. Thank you for your support with this.

Sculpture Showcase

On Thursday 26th June, you are welcome to pop in to school to see the fabulous sculpture work that all the children have been working on this term. 3.30pm until 4.15pm
Refreshments available.

First Aid Sessions

It has been three years since all the children attended some basic first aid sessions. These are vital life skills that we know are important for all children to have. Thanks to the PTFA for their support and contribution to funding the workshops for all children. Every child over the two days will work with Gaz, from Training Beat to explore basic first aid treatments and what to do in an emergency through Gaz's age appropriate, informative and fun teaching style!

Seaside Day

Every child in school will be enjoying Seaside day soon!

KS2 on 1st July and EYFS and KS1 on the 2nd. The PTFA have generously funded Paul from Magical Mayhem to provide workshops for all children during the morning of both days. We know that this will be very popular with everyone. Teachers are busy planning the rest of the seaside day activities so more info to follow. We are on the look out for paddling pools though so if you have one that we could borrow on the day or over both days that would be very much appreciated. Children will need to bring a change of clothes that you /they don't mind getting wet!

Birmingham Symphony Hall Performance

Congratulations to all of the Year 3 and Year 4 children for brilliantly performing with their ukeleles and violins on stage on Monday.

You made us all very proud- so many people have commented on the positive behaviour and attitudes and your determination to perform. Great work all! Thank you to Carrie Marriott our Strings music teacher from Entrust who teaches the children every Monday in school. Your hard work, resilience and dedication paid off!

Summer Showcase 9th July

Gill, Anya and Jack our peripatetic music teachers in school are busy working with some of our KS2 children to perform at the Summer music showcase. We will be starting a little earlier this year at 5.30.

Next week we will be letting children know if they are performing during the evening. Tickets will be on sale soon too!

We will be offering the usual refreshments during the evening. It is always a very special celebration of musical talents showing the commitment and love that we have for music at Mosley!

New EYFS transition sessions

It has been a pleasure to welcome our new children and families to school this week in what was the first session of four, induction sessions. We hope that you all had a wonderful first afternoon at Mosley and we very much look forward to seeing you next week for another stay and play session.

Outstanding Debts

Please ensure that all outstanding debts are cleared by Monday 14th July at the very latest. If accounts still have monies owed then we may have to take the decision to prevent access to clubs moving forward and future trips may unfortunately not be able to run. Thank you for your understanding.

Summer Camp

Please see the leaflets attached at the bottom of the newsletter for our 2 Summer Camp running at Mosley for the summer break, please support these clubs.

Dinner Change

Please note on Thursday 26th June the hot dinner choice will be Chicken Burger or Fish Finger and Veggie Quorn Nuggets and the on Friday 27th June the choice will be All Day Breakfast. And Veggie All Day Breakfast. Many thanks!

Warm weather

As we are enjoying a beautifully warm summer, please ensure all children have sunscreen applied before school, preferably the 8 hour one, and they must bring a water bottle and sun hat everyday. Thank you!

STARS

OF

THE

WEEK!

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Rec	Jack
Y1	Zoe
Y2	Kornel
Y3	Lilianna
Y4	Finlay
Y5	Maddie
Y6	Ronan

ATTENDANCE Target 97.5%

Year Group	This Week Attendance %	Days Missed This Week
Rec	98	3
Year 1	99.3	1
Year 2	95.2	2
Year 3	97.4	4
Year 4	94.9	6.5
Year 5	94.8	7.5
Year 6	99.3	1
Whole School	97	25



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HERE EVERY DAY READY ON TIME

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Whole School Year to Date Attendance

96.7%

1180 sessions missed so far this year

Diary Dates 2024 - 2025

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

DATE	YEAR	EVENT
Thurs 26th June	ALL	Sculpture Showcase in the Hall 3.30pm-4.15pm Refreshments Available.
Tues 1st July	Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6	Seaside Day KS2 - (THIS IS A DATE CHANGE FROM 3RD JULY)
Wed 2nd July	Rec, Y1, Y2	Seaside Day EYFS and KS1
Fri 4th July	ALL	INSET Day - School Closed to Children
Wed 9th July	KS2	Summer Music Showcase 5.30pm
Fri 11th July	Y6	Year 6 Parent Lunch - Will be available to book on MCAS on Monday 30th June.
Tues 15th Jul	ALL	Move Up Morning and Meet the Teacher (3.30pm-4pm)
Fri 18th July	Y6	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.05am
Mon 21st Jul	ALL	INSET Day - School Closed to Children
Tues 22nd July– Fri 29th August	ALL	School Holidays!
Monday 1st September	ALL	INSET DAY– School closed to pupils
Tuesday 2nd September	ALL	Back to School!

DATE	YEAR	EVENT
Thursday 23rd October	ALL	Break up for half term
Friday 24th October	ALL	INSET DAY - School closed to pupils
Monday 3rd November	ALL	Back to School
Friday 19th December	ALL	Break up for Christmas holidays
Monday 5th January	ALL	INSET DAY – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 6th January	ALL	Back to School
Friday 13th February	ALL	Break up for half term
Monday 23rd February	ALL	Back to school
Friday 27th March	ALL	Break up for Easter Holidays
Monday 13th April	ALL	Back to school
Monday 4th May	ALL	Bank Holiday – School closed to pupils
Friday 22nd May	ALL	Break up for half term
Monday 1st June	ALL	Back to school
Friday 3rd July	ALL	INSET DAY - School closed to pupils
Friday 17th July	ALL	Break up for Summer
Monday 20th July	ALL	INSET DAY - School closed to pupils
Tuesday 21st July – Monday 31st	ALL	Summer holidays!

95%	=	40 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?

BE SMART BE THERE!

Percentages based on 190 academic days



RARING2MAKE
P20



FAMILY FESTIVALS
P22



HOLIDAY PLANNER
P28-29



BURTON & ASHBY

FOR PERFECT
BLUE SKY
FAMILY DAYS OUT



MAGAZINE & WEBSITE

THE GO-TO GUIDE FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILD

raring2go.co.uk

SUMMER 2025



Inclusive Kids Clubs
Explore, learn, grow

Scan the QR code for more!



KIDS SUMMER CAMP

**FUN & CREATIVE
ACTIVITIES FOR BOYS
& GIRLS
RECEPTION - YEAR 6**



Week 1

**28TH JULY -
1ST AUGUST**

Week 2

**4TH - 8TH
AUGUST**

Admission

£25 a day or book a full week and get Friday for free!

Hosted at the Mosley Academy

Main Rd, Burton upon
Trent, Anslow, Burton-
on-Trent
DE13 9QD

Activities

- ✓ Outdoor crafts
- ✓ Outdoor games
- ✓ Drawing & painting
- ✓ Treasure hunts
- ✓ And many more!

Registration Link

Inclusive-Kids-Clubs.classforkids.io

8:30 - 15:30

Late pick up options
are available!

More Information www.inclusivekidsclubs.co.uk

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ACTIVE
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HOLIDAY ACTIVITY CAMP

Have fun in the
school holidays
with your friends!



William Shrewsbury



Thomas Russell Infants



Mosley Academy

Camp info

Times - 8.30am - 3.15pm

Late collection 4.15pm

All your child needs is
a packed lunch drink
and suitable clothing

Featuring

Football
Gymnastics
Dodgeball
Dance
Arts & Crafts
Axe throwing
Scooter skills
RC racing
Archery
Lego
and much more!

William S Camp
July 21st - Aug 8th

Thomas R Camp
July 21st Aug 22nd

Mosley Camp
Aug 11th-29th

If you receive this flyer you will be within
15 minutes drive of one of our venues

Apply: @activelearningsports.com

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about EMOJIS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Emojis are more than playful expressions – they form a fast-evolving digital language that many adults struggle to decode. For young people, this 'secret code' is central to how they communicate identity, humour and emotions. With over 5 billion emojis sent daily on Facebook Messenger alone, understanding these symbols is key to engaging meaningfully with digital youth.

GENERATIONAL MISCOMMUNICATION

An emoji like 👍 (thumbs up emoji) might seem friendly to adults, but teens often interpret it as sarcastic or passive-aggressive. These differing interpretations can create confusion or unintended tension in cross-generational conversations.

SHIELDING BULLYING OR PEER PRESSURE

When embedded in emojis, mean-spirited jokes or exclusionary language can fly under the radar. Terms like 'mid' or 'delulu' may seem harmless, but they can be used to undermine peers in subtle ways.

RAPIDLY SHIFTING MEANINGS

Emoji meanings can change overnight. A person standing emoji (👤) once signified awkwardness but might now be repurposed for something entirely different. This ever-changing lexicon can leave adults in the dark and young people vulnerable to misunderstanding or misuse.

MASKING DISTRESS OR HARM

Some emojis are used to discreetly signal troubling behaviours. For instance, 🍂 (falling leaves emoji) or 💊 (pill emoji) might suggest drug use, while 🌪️ (wilted flower emoji) could hint at emotional struggles. Such usage can obscure serious issues, making them harder for trusted adults to detect.

NORMALISING RISKY BEHAVIOURS

Emojis can make harmful actions seem light-hearted or fashionable. Strings like 🔥👤 (fire + 'woozy' face + pill emojis) may appear humorous but can reference partying, intoxication or dangerous challenges, which might otherwise raise red flags.

Advice for Parents & Educators

LEARN THE LINGO

Stay updated with emoji trends and definitions using resources like emojipedia.org or Urban Dictionary. Knowing current meanings builds confidence when engaging with young people and helps spot potential concerns early.



CREATE SAFE SPACES FOR DISCUSSION

Encourage casual chats about emojis, online slang, memes, or social media trends. Showing interest without judgement reassures young people that they can talk about their digital world openly and safely.



ASK, DON'T ASSUME

Approach unfamiliar emojis with curiosity rather than suspicion. A light-hearted "What does 🍷 (juice box emoji) mean these days?" can open conversation and show that you respect their knowledge.



PRIORITISE TRUST OVER SURVEILLANCE

While parental controls and monitoring tools can be useful, emotional safety matters most. Be someone children and young people feel they can come to – not just someone who's watching them.



EMOJI CHEAT SHEET - The following slang terms and emojis are some common examples - please be aware this isn't an exhaustive list.

COMMON EMOJIS:

- 🤡 (Clown face) Foolishness or clowning around
- 🙄 (Pleading face) Over-affectionate or 'simping'
- 😎 (Cold face) Cool, stylish or ruthless
- 👁️ (Eyes) Watching drama unfold
- 🔥 (Hot face) Intense attraction or excitement
- 🐐 (Goat) Greatest of all time (G.O.A.T.)
- 😐 (Moai) Stone-faced, unbothered
- 💅 (Nails) Confidence, sassiness, or indifference
- 👑 (Crown) 'Slaying', as in doing great
- 🚩 (Triangular flag) Red flag; a warning sign about someone's behaviour

POTENTIALLY CONCERNING EMOJIS

- 🌽 (Ear of corn) Slang for pornography (avoids censorship algorithms)
- 🌪️ (Wilted flower) Often used to convey emotional struggle or sadness
- ❄️ (Snowflake, snowman, snow cloud) Can symbolise cocaine
- 🐍 (Snake) Can represent betrayal or being 'two-faced'
- 🗝️ (Key, lying face) Related to cocaine use
- 🔫 (Water pistol) Sometimes used to reference violence or self-harm
- 🍃 (Falling leaves, herb, maple leaf) Can symbolise cannabis
- ⚠️ (Warning) Used to emphasise drama, threats or emotional turmoil
- 💊 (Pill) May reference drug use or prescription misuse
- 🍜 (Steaming bowl) Refers to nudes ('noods' is an abbreviation of noodles)

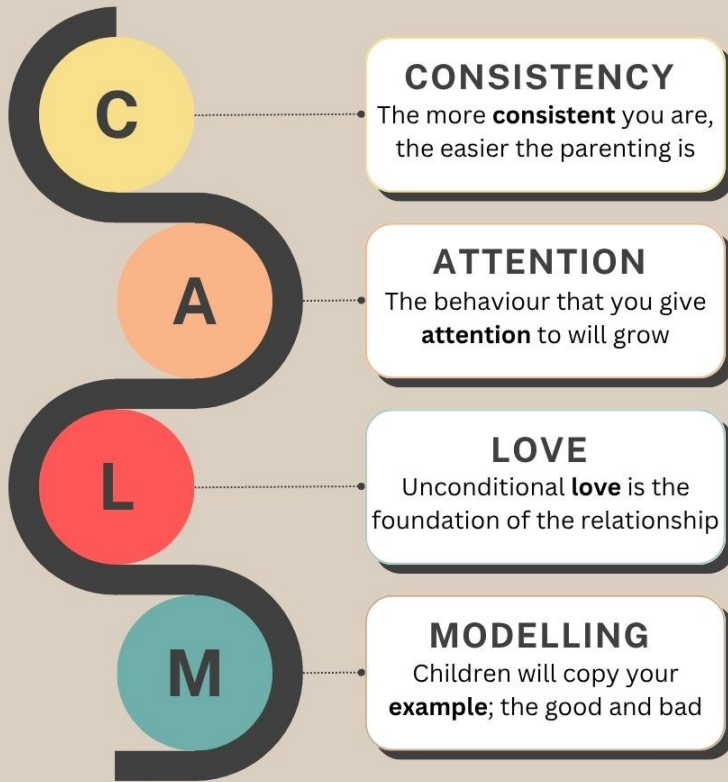
Meet Our Expert

Keith Broni is a globally renowned emoji expert and the Editor in Chief of emojipedia.org, the world's number one emoji resource. He has an MSc in Business Psychology from University College London and an MBA from Quantic School of Business and Technology.





CALM PARENTING TEENAGERS PROGRAMME



A free 6-week interactive course for parents or carers of 10-17 year olds, to develop new strategies to help you deal with the challenges of parenting a teenager!

Where & When?

East Staffordshire Family Hub
Waterloo Street
Burton-on-Trent DE14 2NJ

10am till 12pm
Every Wednesday from
10th September 2025 -
For 6 weeks

booking & further info



Summer Reading Challenge 2025 and Staffordshire Libraries

FAQs for schools and families

➤ **When does the Summer Reading Challenge start /end?**

Start Date: Saturday 5 July 2025

End Date: Monday 15 September 2025

➤ **What age do children have to be to take part?**

Children aged under 4 can complete the Mini Challenge

Children aged 4 and over can complete the Main Challenge

There is no bottom or top age-limit for the Challenge.

➤ **How does my child take part?**

Children need to visit a Staffordshire Library with a parent / carer who can agree to them taking part in the Challenge.

They will need to have a library card in their name.

Parents / carers complete a quick registration card for the Challenge (we can help with this if needed).

Ideally, we ask that children borrow six books during the Challenge and visit the library three times to do this, but we are happy for children to decide the number of books for themselves and visit as many times as they need to.

Children will receive a sticker sheet when they register for the Challenge. There are three sets of stickers to collect.

Once all stickers have been collected, the child will be given a medal and a certificate.

Taking part in the Challenge is completely free.

➤ **What type of books does my child have to read?**

All types of books are eligible e.g. board books, picture books, fiction and non fiction, audio books, comics / graphic novels.

Your child can borrow physical books from the library or they can download books from our e-library (this include e-audio books and e-comics as well as e-books)

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Libraries/Library-services/eLibrary/eLibrary.aspx>

The only condition is that children must borrow the books from a Staffordshire Library; they cannot just read books they already have at home.

➤ **What if a child doesn't have a library card?**

Library cards are free.

Parents / carers can get one for their child from any Staffordshire Library or they can join their child online here

<https://stafford.ent.sirsiidynix.net.uk/custom/web/registration/index2.html>

If the child has had a library card before and it has been lost, we can give them a replacement one.

➤ **What if my child has unreturned books on their library card and we've not lost or can't find them?**

Don't worry! Please come and tell us about this and we will clear the unreturned books from your child's library card.

We want your family to use the library, not put barriers in the way.

➤ **I can't take my child to the library. Can they still do the Challenge?**

If you want your child to have the stickers and medal / certificate, you will need to bring them to the library to register and to collect their rewards.

You could borrow books for them through our e-library if you cannot visit the library to choose physical books.

A 'whole of the UK' online Summer Reading Challenge is also available here <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Children do not need to visit the library to take part. They will receive virtual rewards rather than the physical stickers / medal / certificate.

➤ **Are there any activities at the library during the summer holidays?**

Yes! Burton and Uttoxeter libraries will run a programme of free or low-cost activity for families to enjoy. Pick up a leaflet from the library or check out our Instagram [@burtonlibrary](#) [@uttoxeterlibrary](#) for more information.