

# The Mosley Academy Newsletter

Friday 26th January 2024

## OPAL

Since our message appealing for OPAL playtime resources, we have had a number of families who have offered to make a donation to school to help fund these resources for the children. This is a very generous offer, and thank you to you all! We will shortly be setting up an Amazon wishlist, so that parents who wish to can purchase items to enhance our OPAL provision and have them sent directly to school. The children will be very excited to have a surprise parcel to open in assembly! Thank you all again for your generosity and support - it is always appreciated.



## Y6 at Laches Wood

Wow Year 6 - what stars you are! Resilience, teamwork, cooperation and our school values shone through at Laches Wood this week. Miss Fryer also said what good sleepers you all are - she must have worn you all out! Well done everyone, and a big thank you to Miss Fryer, Mrs Insley and our student teacher Miss Acton. Giving up your time so generously is appreciated. There are lots of fab pictures on our X (Twitter) feed, so please do take a look.

## Attendance

We have noticed a change in attendance patterns and behaviours at Mosley recently. We have attached a letter outlining our procedures and obligations under the JTMAT Attendance Policy and legal requirements, in order to give transparency as to our expectations for attendance and why we do what we do. Please do read this and if you have any questions regarding attendance or require support, we are always here to help.

## Welcome to a new Governor!

We would like to welcome Andy Goodeve to our Governing Body. Andy has a background in education as a former headteacher, and now works in data analysis and school improvement. Andy has visited all classes last week to meet the children and the staff, and we very much look forward to working with him.

Our Chair of Governors was also invited into school this week. Mr Gardner spoke

to children, visited all classes and reviewed safeguarding practices in school with Mrs Rowe. We are very fortunate to have such an active, knowledgeable and supportive Governing Body.

### **Curriculum Development**

Over the past 18 months we have been working very hard as a whole school to ensure that our curriculum demonstrates clear progression of skills and knowledge in every subject across the National Curriculum. This week we have started uploading our intent, implementation and impact documents for each subject area to the school website curriculum pages. We hope that this will help you to have more information about the schools vision for each subject and how the subjects are taught along with how we measure the impact.

The teachers have worked very hard to support the school improvement journey in this area, so a big thank you and well done to all subject leaders and governors for their commitment and determination to make our curriculum the best that it can be. We are very pleased and proud of what has been achieved and how this impacts on the children. We showcase much of our curriculum through our Twitter page where you can see not only the personal development opportunities but an insight in to lessons and the quality of work that is being produced.

### **Teaching and Learning Update**

Since our last Ofsted inspection almost ten years ago back in 2014 (some of you with older children may remember the Headteacher at the time Mrs Anne James), there have been a number of changes in the framework and Ofsted areas of focus. Over the past couple of years we have been focusing hard on these key areas, and we are really pleased with the progress being made. Mrs Rowe and Mrs Day have spent extra time in all classes over the last two weeks, observing teaching and learning. It has been very rewarding to see the impact of the professional development and school improvement focuses in the lessons observed, and the impact this is having on the children's learning.

Our strive to be a more evidence informed and research led school is clear to see in the quality of lesson delivery and the curriculum offer. Our focus on meta-cognitive strategies, adaptive teaching techniques and using the EEF (Education Endowment Fund) research has been embraced by the staff and is clearly making a difference to the children.

Well done and thank you to our teachers and children for your dedication and hard working attitudes to being the best you can be for each other.

### **JTMAT Subject Excellence - MFL**

We entered the Modern Foreign Languages Subject Excellence project in December with a Year 3 song in Spanish. We are very proud to say that we won! Pin badges and certificates are on their way to the winning team - well done everyone.



## **NSPCC Number Day - 2nd February**

We will be joining with the other JT MAT schools in celebrating Number Day on Friday 2nd February. One of the activities will be to dress as a digit. You could dress as something to do with calculation, time, measurement, or simply wear a piece of clothing with a number on - be as creative as you like!



## **PTA Disco**

The PTA Disco will be taking place on Wednesday 7th February - please see the details on the poster further down the newsletter. Tickets are available via Weduc now! Please support our PTA in raising vital funds to enhance our school provision.

There is also a Mosley PTA Facebook group where you can share ideas - please ask a member of the PTA for details.

## **Burton Competitive Music Festival**

Singers and pianists are invited to enter the 2024 Burton Competitive Music Festival - further details can be found here:

[Burton Competitive Music Festival \(burtonmusicfestival.com\)](https://burtonmusicfestival.com)

This is always a really supportive and fun competition. If you do enter, please let us know as we'd love to support your application and attend on the day too.

## **Stars of the Week!**

### **Congratulations to....**

Rec	Isabelle
Year 1	Jack P
Year 2	Thomas Bks
Year 3	Zaid
Year 4	Paige
Year 5	Florence
Year 6	EVERYONE!



**KS1 (R,Y1,2) 3:30PM - 4:45PM**

**KS2 (Y3,4,5,6) 5PM - 6:15PM**

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# **SCHOOL DISCO**

*Wednesday*  
*7th February*

**TICKETS £3.50 VIA WEDUC BY 12PM  
ON TUESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY**

**MUSIC   SNACKS   DRINKS**

**PLEASE SEND SMALL CHANGE**



# Australia Day



Celebrating the first permanent European settlement on the continent of Australia. On January 26, 1788, Arthur Phillip, sailed into what is now as Sydney Cove with a shipload of convicts, and raised the British flag at the site.



Come and join us for a celebratory BBQ lunch on 29th January for a special Aussie themed menu.

## Menu

Beef Burgers

Vegetarian Hotdogs

Served with Chips, Coleslaw  
and Corn on the cob

Jackets and Sandwiches also  
available

## Dessert

A choice of Ice Cream,  
Chocolate Beetroot Brownie,  
Fresh fruit or Yoghurt










## Attendance - Target 97% or above

Year Group	Days Missed This Week	This Week Attendance %	Days Missed This Year	Year to Date Attendance
Rec	9	94.0%	66.5	97.4%
Year 1	10.5	92.8%	140	94.4%
Year 2	2	98.7%	62.5	97.6%
Year 3	7	95.3%	100.5	96.2%
Year 4	8.5	94.7%	181	93.5%
Year 5	6.5	95.8%	82.5	96.9%
Year 6	3.5	97.7%	75.5	97.1%
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>95.6%</b>	<b>708.5</b>	<b>96.2%</b>

*A few missed days of school can soon add up....*

0 days of school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

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WEEK 2	MEAT FREE MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish	<b>29th January</b>  Australia Day BBQ themed menu!  Please see the poster further up the newsletter for details.	 Mexican chilli with 50/50 rice	Roast pork with creamy mash potato & gravy	Traditional chicken pie with creamy mash potato	Crispy battered fish & chunky chips
Vegetarian Main dish		 Vegetable stir fry with chicken style pieces and 50/50 rice	 Quorn™ & tomato bake with mash potatoes	 Tomato & basil pasta	 Vegan sausage & chunky chips
Accompaniments		Corn on the cob & broccoli ..... Salad bar	Carrots & parsnips ..... Salad bar	Green beans & cauliflower ..... Salad bar	Peas & baked beans ..... Salad bar
Desserts		 Chocolate & banana slice	Zesty lemon muffin	Ginger cake & custard	 Fresh fruit & whip
Fresh fruit or yoghurt		Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt
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## Dates for your Diary 2023 - 2024

Although we have compiled this list to give you as much information as possible, dates may be subject to change if necessary.

### January 2024

Mon 29th	Australia Day. Special BBQ themed lunch of burgers, vegetarian hotdogs, chips, coleslaw and corn on the cob.
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### February

Thurs 1st	Y3 Stone Age Day
Fri 2nd	NSPCC Number Day
Mon 5th	Children's Mental Health Week
Tues 6th	Internet Safety Day
Tues 6th	Reception Class Stay and Play 2pm
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 9th	Mental Health Week
Fri 9th	Mosley Houses Reward Morning and Break Up for Half Term
HALF TERM	
Mon 19th	Back to School
Wed 28th	Governors' Meeting

### March

Mon 4th and Wed 6th	Parent Consultations
Wed 6th	Lichfield Cathedral Concert - Invited Students
Thurs 7th	World Book Day
Fri 8th	Mother's Day Lunch KS2
Mon 11th	Mother's Day Lunch EYFS/KS1
Fri 22nd	Easter Bonnet Parade and Decorate an Egg scene Competition
Fri 22nd	It's Good to Be Green Enrichment morning and Break Up for Easter
EASTER HOLS	

### April

Mon 8th	Back to School
Thurs 11th	PTA Chocolate Bingo
Fri 12th	Year 4 Parent Lunch
Thurs 18th	Y1 Trip to Peak Wildlife Park
Fri 26th	Year 5 Parent Lunch



## May

Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Governors' Meeting
Fri 3rd	May Day Celebrations
Mon 6th	Bank Holiday
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> - Thurs 16th	Y6 SATS week
<b>Tues 14th</b>	<b>JTMAT Drama Excellence Showcase at the Lichfield Garrick - Invited Students</b>
Thurs 23rd	Mosley House Rewards morning and Children Break Up
Fri 24th	Inset Day
HALF TERM	

## June

Mon 3rd	Back to school
TBC	National School Sports Week
Wed 12th	Y2 Trip to Tamworth Castle
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	Father's Day Lunch EYFS/KS1
Mon 17th	Father's Day Lunch KS2
Wed 19th	Governors' Meeting
Fri 21st	Sports Day and Summer fair
Fri 28th	Year 6 Parent Lunch

## July

Wed 3rd	EYFS & KS1 Seaside Day
Fri 5th	JTMAT INSET Day - School is closed to pupils
Thurs 11th	Summer Showcase- KS2 Musicians
Thurs 18th	Good to be Green Enrichment morning
Fri 19th	Break Up for Summer
Mon 22nd	Inset
SUMMER HOLDS	

## September 2024

Mon 2nd	Inset Day
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# GOING WILD!



**For Random Acts of Kindness Week**

**Free 1 week course starting Sunday 11th February 2024! For families in Staffordshire, with children of all ages.**



**Be kind to yourself, others and the planet!**



**The course is made up of two parts:**

**1.) Going Wild Event at Marquis Drive, Cannock Chase, WS12 4PW - Sunday 11th February 1pm - 4pm** - Fun, hands-on nature themed activities to celebrate RAOKW! Make bird feeders, medals or try woodland yoga. Pick up your pack (including your **free sapling!**) to then complete at home over the following week.

**2.) It's Over to You - Take on the kindness challenge and complete all seven acts of kindness throughout the following week.** There will be online resources to help you and inspire further acts of kindness! Your family will receive a certificate of achievement at the end of the course!



**For more information and to reserve your place contact Rebecca on 07525 120117 or [communityforestservices@gmail.com](mailto:communityforestservices@gmail.com)**





# HOW ON EARTH?

**Free 4 week online course  
starting Monday 19th February  
2024. For families in Staffordshire  
with children aged 4-16**

Families are guided through fun,  
flexible, hands-on activities to open  
up conversations about climate  
change, connections with nature and  
making small, sustainable changes.

You will receive a weekly email activity  
pack, full of themed ideas to try at times  
to suit you. From waste free picnics, to  
upcycling projects to forest bathing, we  
will support you to adapt the activities for  
your family.



**For more information and to reserve your place contact  
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