

Great Moor Junior School Newsletter Respect, Kindness, Tolerance, Responsibility, Co-operation

7th March 2025

Young Voices

Our choir had the incredible opportunity to perform at the Young Voices Concert at the brand-new Co -op Live Arena in Manchester, and it was truly a night to remember! The atmosphere was electric as thousands of young singers filled the arena with harmonies, excitement, and energy. The highlight of the night was performing alongside the amazing Tommy Blaize from Strictly Come Dancing, the Urban Strides dance group, and MC Grammar. Thank you to Miss Doogan and all the staff who attended.



World Book Day

Many children came dressed as book characters yesterday and they looked amazing. Thank you to all parents who supported this. It was very hard to choose but the winners are pictured below and they received a book voucher for our next book fair. The children had a great day which revolved around books and reading.













Reading Millionaires

Most children will soon complete new Star Assessment tests for Accelerated Reader. Their ZPD ranges can be found in their Reading Records. The children should also have reading targets (How long to read for/book levels/accuracy rates in quizzes etc.). You can see these when they log into Accelerated Reader on their homepage under "Progress Bar".

We have some children who are reading so regularly that they have read more than one million words since September! These millionaires have been awarded our special Gold Star millionaire badge. Well done to Dexter Lloyd-Wilson, Seth Price, Jessica Flood, Lottie Hadfield-Burn, Flo Larking, Nicholas Vaughan, Zara Moore, Alice Merle and Isabella Chubb!

Reading more than one million words since September is a huge achievement.

<u>Book Swap</u>

Yesterday afternoon saw another successful Book Swap for pupils. Children were able to bring in books they have already read and swap them for a 'new' one. It's a great way to get exciting new books to read at home instead of having to buy new books each time. We had lots to choose from - thank you to everyone who brought in some books in exchange for tokens. We hope you like your new ones.



Northern Chamber Orchestra

A huge well done to our Year 5 & Year 6 musicians who joined forces with the Northern Chamber Orchestra this week at Stockport School. We performed a Hungarian folk song with a 13-piece orchestra and enjoyed performances from Stockport School pupils and other local schools.



School Value Awards

We love to live our School Values and enjoy recognising, and celebrating, with those children who have been great examples of our Values in Action. Each Friday we recognise some lovely ways in which pupils have been living our values. These have included showing kindness to others who have been feeling upset, or have been hurt during play, making sure that they are cared for; giving extra help and support to classmates, and making sure people aren't left out at break and lunch times. We have seen examples of respect by offering support and explanations to a talk partner, making them feel more comfortable with understanding the work, helping them to understand the question being asked in English. We have seen children taking responsibility for themselves and their belongings by making sure that cloakrooms are kept tidy, for their work and learning by having positive attitude, for the environment and for school equipment by helping move cones around at playtimes, and manning stationery shop and library. We have seen great co-operation as pupils have worked together to ensure that the team was complete for the hockey play-offs, and to keep our bookcases tidy. We have seen tolerance for change as teams have had to be changed during the play-offs. Well done everyone, we look forward to hearing about more of our 'values in action'.











Easter Egg Raffle

We are excited to let you know that we are going to hold an Easter egg raffle this year again to help raise money for school fund. Egg donations will be very gratefully received please from Monday 31st March and these will be raffled on Friday 11th April (the last day). Tickets will cost £1 per strip and will be sold by School Councillors at playtime from Monday 31st March. Many thanks in advance for your support.

<u> Red Nose Day – 21st March</u>

We will be having a non-uniform day in return for donations on Red Nose Day (minimum donation ± 1 please).

Cross Country

Cross-country - Final Race of the 2024/25 season

The final race of the season is here! Event 6 will take place on Saturday 15th March.

We are always looking for new runners to join our teams and it doesn't matter if you have not raced before. Our teams are doing well so far but we would like as much help as possible to do the best we can. The more children we have in a race, the better our teams tend to do.

We would like to thank all of the children that have worked incredibly hard in the races they have done so far and for the support they have given each other. Let's go and enjoy this final race of the season. For Year 6 children, this is their last primary race.

The events start and finish at the Woodbank Park Athletics stadium. The best Post Code for car park access SK1 4BN.

There are 4 events.

Year 3 and 4 girls 10.30

Year 3 and 4 boys 10.50

Year 5 and 6 girls 11.10

Year 5 and 6 boys 11.40

You do not need to pre-register with the schools league as names are taken down by us at the race. Mr Garnett and Miss Seeds will be there. If you would like more information or if you are coming for the first time and want us to look out for you, please email joe.garnett@greatmoor-jun.stockport.sch.uk.

If you want to get some practice in ready for next years cross-country Junior Parkrun is a brilliant way to train for it, it is ran every Sunday at different locations and it is free to sign up. You can sign up via this link <u>www.parkrun.org.uk</u> The nearest ones are at Brabyns Park in Marple and Hyde Park in Hyde (Tameside).

School Uniform

Thanks you so much to everybody who sends their child in in the correct school uniform every day. The children all look very smart. Just a reminder please, that children need to wear black shoes or ALL black trainers and make up and nail varnish (even gel nails) are not allowed. If you are struggling to afford the correct school uniform please let the office know.













Hometime Arrangements

Children's hometime arrangements can be very complex, especially with after school clubs, Fun Club and parents' working patterns. However, hometime usually goes very smoothly.

We ask parents to continue to help us by ensuring their children know exactly what their arrangements are for each day - who's picking them up and where they are meeting. This is especially important for children whose arrangements are sometimes for them to walk home by themselves.

Teachers go out with the children every night at the end of school so if there are any issues they are on hand to sort them out. If a parent is late arriving or there are any other problems teachers will take children to the office and parents will be contacted.

School Lunch Prices

Unfortunately our school lunch providers are raising the price of school lunches so from after the Easter holidays school lunches will be £2.75. Please book and pay for these in advance on Parentpay.



Call Ben on 07966 973901 for more details







Dates 2025

Holiday	Dates
February Half Term	17, 18, 19 February
Easter 1	15, 16, 17 April
Easter 2	22, 23, 24 April
Whit Half Term	27, 28, 29, 30 May
Summer 1	28, 29, 30, 31 July, 1 August
Summer 2	11, 12, 13, 14, 15 August
Summer 3	26, 27, 28, 29 August
October Half Term	27, 28, 29 October

Please note that sessions will run in all weather. Indoor games and activities will take place in very wet weather. Players should bring snacks (lunch if staying all day), drinks and a water proof coat. Tennis rackets can be provided at no extra charge.

HOW TO BOOK Step 1: Text or email the information required: > Childs Name & Age > Contact Number > Medical conditions (if any) > Dates and sessions you'd like to book (full/half day, early drop offs & late pickups) > Permission for photos of your child for use on our website and social media? > Amount of money transferred

Step 2: Transfer correct fee via bacs:

Account number: 11357666 Sort Code: 110504 Reference: Childs Name

Please note that bookings cannot be confirmed until full payment is received For more information call Ben on 07966 973901

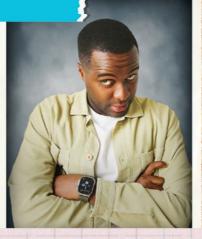
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