



“Learning Together”

Respect, Kindness, Tolerance, Responsibility, Co-operation

Great Moor Junior School Newsletter

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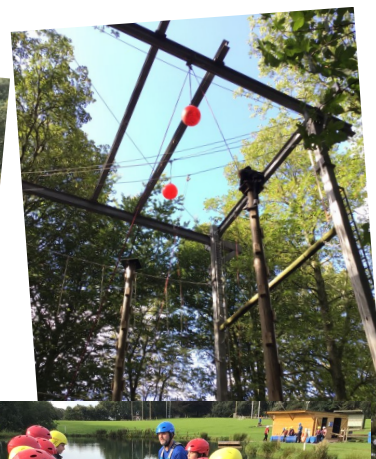
Progress Reports

Progress reports will be coming home today in the back of homework books, please find time to look at these with your child. Parent drop-ins are next Wednesday 3.30 - 5pm only for parents to drop in to see their child's class teacher if they have any particular concern about how he/she has settled in.

Y6 PGL Weekend

A fantastic but slightly rainy weekend away for the Year 6 pupils that went to PGL Winmarleigh Hall. The children took part in some amazing activities and really pushed themselves. Some of the favourites were Giant Swing, Trapeze and Raft Building. All of the rafts survived! The staff who went on the trip were over the moon with the children's behaviour over the weekend. They represented our school magnificently and we are all very proud of them. Our school values were on display for the entire weekend. PGL staff were very impressed with how polite and encouraging the children were during the activities. Of course, these trips cannot happen without dedicated staff, thank you to Mr Garnett, Miss Seeds, Miss Gregory, Miss Doogan, Mr Cannon, Mrs Campbell and Miss McCann.

A big well done Year 6!



Y5 Trip to Tatton Park

Last week, Year 5 pupils went to Tatton Park for an opportunity to immerse themselves in Anglo-Saxon life. The trip began with the children meeting the Anglo-Saxon villagers who told them about a visiting Viking warlord that was due to come to collect his 'danegeld' - a tax the Anglo-Saxons paid the Vikings. Pupils had to learn various skills, from threshing and winnowing the wheat, to training to become a warrior, in order to prove their worth to the villagers. Other activities included learning how to braid and looking at different deer skins and choosing which would be best to buy at the market. Pupils looked at the armour and weapons used in Anglo-Saxon times and had to learn how to prepare for battle and work best as a team. It was a great day which helped bring our History topic to life!



Cross Country - Event 12

Well done to the 31 children who took part in the first cross-country event at the weekend. You represented our school fantastically!

A big well done to our first timers: Trystan, Theo, Charlie, Henry, Cassie, Alex, Heidi, George, Connor, Edward, Blythe, Nellie, Harry, Esme, Finley, Florence and Jude.

After the amazing success last season, it looks like everyone is wanting even more. We had some top 10 finishes. Well done to Lucas who won the Year 3 and 4 boys race, Flo came 2nd in the Year 5 and 6 girls race and Flynn came 3rd in the Year 5 and 6 boys race. We also had quite a few children just outside the top 10.

With having so many new runners and children moving up to a different race, we had 31 PBs! How fantastic.

It always amazes us how much effort the children from our school put in during the race but more impressive is the support that the children give each other as they are racing. It really makes a big difference.

The full results have been published online. A few days after each race you will find the link to the full results on our website. Here is the link to the cross-country page:

<https://www.greatmoor-jun.stockport.sch.uk/page/cross-country/118257>

You will also find lots of general information about dates and timings for the cross-country league on this page.

After the first race, the teams are currently in:

Year 3/4 girls: 11th

Year 3/4 boys: 3rd

Year 5/6 girls: 2nd

Year 5/6 boys: 3rd

The next event is on Saturday 18th October. You did not have to race in the first event to be able to come to any of the other races.

If children are able to race in at least 5 races over the course of the season, the league will give them an endeavour medal. Top 10 overall certificates will also be given out at the end of the season for individuals and teams.



Well Done Henry!

From 1st-31st August Henry, with the help of his brother George, took on a "1 Mile a Day" challenge to raise money for the charity Young Lives Vs Cancer. He completed his daily mile in a variety of fun ways which included running, biking, hiking with friends, and even a bit of mini golf!

Throughout the challenge Henry showed commitment and determination, making sure he completed his mile every single day. In total he raised nearly £300 for the charity. Henry said about the challenge "It felt really good to raise money for the charity and to know that I'm helping people who need it. Some days the challenge was tough especially when it rained, but it helped to keep me fit over the summer. Fantastic Henry!



Macmillan Coffee Morning and Bake Off

Next Tuesday 30th September we will be hosting a coffee afternoon in support of Macmillan. We will be selling cold and hot drinks as well as delicious treats to raise lots of money for this important charity. Some of our School Councillors will be responsible for hosting the afternoon, serving the tea and cakes and keeping things running smoothly. They'd love to see you there. This event will start at 2pm and go on until 3:15pm, so parents, family and friends will be able to come and have a drink before they pick up their children from school. Leftover cakes will also be on sale after school at the front of school.



We will also be hosting the 'Bake Off' challenge, where for £2, children and parents can enter a cake into the competition. Do you fancy your chances of being the new Star Baker of Great Moor Juniors? Show us your skills! These cakes can be brought into the office on the morning of the Bake Off. The winning cake will be decided by the School Council and the winner will receive the prize of a Star Baker apron and wooden spoon. All of the entries will be sold for people to take home. We hope to raise lots of money for Macmillan and would love to see you there. Any donations to sell without entering the Bake Off would also be gratefully received. Thank you for your support!

Halloween Disco

We will be holding Halloween Discos on Wednesday 22nd October for children who follow our School Values. Years 3 and 4 will be 5-6pm and Years 5 and 6 6.15 -7.15pm. Tickets are available to buy on Parentpay £5 each Children are welcome to come dressed up. Drinks and sweets will be provided. No phones allowed, thank you. **Year 3 and 4 children in and out of their usual door. Year 5 children should come in Y4 door and Y6 children in Y3 door.** Please be at school promptly to collect your child at the end of the disco. Thank you to our fabulous staff team who are giving up their evening to make this possible.



Lost Property



We do get a lot of lost property in school - it's rare a day goes by without someone losing their coat, fleece, shoes or even trousers! When lost property is handed in we return named items directly to their owners. Unfortunately many items (the vast majority) do not have a name in and therefore end up in our overflowing lost property box. **Please could parents help us by ensuring children's clothing especially fleeces, sweatshirts, cardigans and coats are clearly marked with their child's name.**



Free School Meals

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

Income Support

income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

income-related Employment and Support Allowance

support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

the guaranteed element of Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)

Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

younger than the [compulsory age for starting school](#)

in full-time education

Please apply here if you think you could be eligible: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>



October Holiday Camps

Sports, Dance and Gymnastics



- Broadstone Hall Primary School, Heaton Chapel
- Norbury Hall Primary School, Hazel Grove
- Norris Bank Primary School, Heaton Moor
- St Thomas Primary School, Heaton Moor

Standard day: 9am - 3.30pm (£24)
Reception children: 9am - 12.45pm (£14)
Early drop off: 8am-9am (£4)
Stay and play: 3.30pm-5pm (£5)
Fun packed days with our sports and dance coaches.

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Holiday Course Calendar

	 St Thomas CE Primary School Heaton Moor	 Broadstone Hall Primary School Heaton Chapel	 Norris Bank Primary School Heaton Moor	 Norbury Hall Primary School Hazel Grove
Activities	Multi Sports, Dance and Gym	Multi Sports	Multi Sports	Multi Sports
Mon 27th October - Fri 31st October	✓	✓ Mon - Thurs	✓ Mon - Thurs	✓




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ARC

ARC is one of the UK's leading arts and mental health charities, based at Hat Works in Stockport town centre, they work across Greater Manchester to provide arts programmes and services to improve young people's and adult's mental wellbeing.

ARC (based inside Stockport Hat works museum) is pleased to be able to share information on on some upcoming events they are hosting.

The following are designed to give a genuine taste of what ARC do in a relaxed, welcoming, and creative environment, while also sharing information about how young people can get involved at Arc.

In The Mix Open Day

A relaxed introduction to our music and digital arts project. Young people can:

Explore the studio space

Meet the facilitators

Ask questions about the project

You're welcome to stay for as long as you feel comfortable and leave at any time. There will also be a chance to sign up for our taster session or the full project if you'd like.

Event details:

Tuesday, 23rd September, 4:30 - 6:30pm

Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/in-the-mix-open-day-tickets-1663792330649?aff=oddtcreator>

Discover Young People's Arc - as part of Arts and Health Week

An invitation for referrers, families, and partner organisations to visit Arc, meet our team, and discover how we support young people. Creative sessions will be happening on the day, so you're very welcome to bring some young people along too.

Event details:

Monday, 6th October, 5 - 7pm

Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/discover-young-peoples-arc-tickets-1693047313089?aff=oddtcreator>

Arts and Health Week across Stockport

'Discover Young People's Arc' is just one part of a vibrant week celebrating creativity, wellbeing, and community across Stockport. We'll be delivering a variety of events and activities - we'd love for you to join and share them with your networks.

Find out more about what's on [HERE](#).





HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH WORRIES AND ANXIETY

An information session run by Beth from the
Stockport Mental Health Support Team

Tuesday 14th October 2:20pm at school

Who is it for? if you have a child of primary or secondary school age who experiences worry or anxiety, or you are simply interested to learn more.



What we will cover:

- What are worries and anxiety?
- The science behind them and what keeps them going in cycles.
- Tips for talking to children about their emotions.
- Practical strategies to use at home.
- What our service offers (CBT-informed interventions) and signposting info for other services.
- Information summary booklet to take away with you.

How can I sign up?

To book a place please email Mrs Murphy
(katherine.murphy@greatmoor-jun.stockport.sch.uk) with your full name,
contact number and child's name.

