



Mowbray Primary School
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Headteacher: Mr Andrew Miller

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Dear Parents/Carers

Forest School Event

Thank you to everyone who supported the Forest School Spring Event – special thanks to Mrs Ogglesby, Mrs Baines, and Miss Kirkup for their hard work organising the afternoon. We are pleased to say that, in total, we raised £780 which will go towards further supporting Forest School activities.

Warm Weather

As the weather improves, we would like to ensure that all children enjoy the sun safely. As we anticipate more sunny days we are advising the following:

- Children bring a sunhat or cap to school
- Children should be provided with UV protection sunglasses
- Suncream (at least SPF15 with UVA and UVB protection) is applied before children come to school

Children, particularly on *Forest School* or *Outdoor PE* days, should bring a named bottle of sun cream into school for re-application. Children should be able to apply this themselves, however, if they are unable to apply this themselves, staff can apply the suncream to face, neck, arms and hands only.

If your child requires a staff member to apply sun cream, please complete a form which you can collect from the school office indicating whether you give permission for this to happen.

We also have cool water drinking fountains throughout school. Your child will need to bring a named re-sealable bottle into school to access these.

On very sunny or high UV days, we may limit the amount of time that children spend exposed to the sun.

Collection Arrangements

The collection procedures have now been operating for some time. Please ensure though that there are enough people named to ensure that unforeseen circumstances are covered. Also ensure that named adults are aware of the password you chose.

School Office

The school office is becoming very stretched at times delivering forgotten items (eg. PE Kit, packed lunches, forest school kit etc) to children or taking messages about collection arrangement changes for after school clubs. Please ensure that if your child is at an after school club they are aware of collection arrangements. We would also request your support in helping children remember all of the equipment that they need for the day.

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Book Fair

We have a book fair coming into school Monday 4 June 2018 until Friday 8 June 2018 starting at 3.20pm in the school hall. A letter will follow next week.

Debt to School

The new debt collection policy has seen debt to school reduce significantly for costs such as school dinners and music tuition. Please be aware though that, as per the policy, if debt remains or if no payment plan is agreed, debt may be referred to small claims court. School debt can total thousands of pounds when put all together – I am sure you will agree that this is money that would be better spent funding lessons and activities.

Lost Property

We still have hundreds of items of un-named property from the past few months. This ranges from individual socks, to pairs of glasses and expensive coats. If your child has misplaced any property and you would like to view the handed in items, they will be on view at the main office from now to Friday next week.

Holidays in Term Time

Please be reminded that I am unable by law to authorise term time holidays unless exceptional circumstances can be proven by a parent. In all cases, requests must be filled out on the official form and submitted at least 2 weeks before the requested dates along with the evidence of exceptional circumstances.

Nursery Places

We still have places available for 15 hour and eligible 30 hour places in Nursery for September. If you would like a place or know someone who would, please contact the school office.

Parking

Please be aware that parking enforcement have issued tickets over the past few weeks to parents/carers parking on yellow lines or on the path near the school gates. Please be considerate as to where you park as both enforcement officers and the mobile camera van are in operation by the County Council.

Attendance and Punctuality

Please ensure that your child is on time for school. Attendance and punctuality are regularly monitored by the Education Welfare Service. Frequent lates and poor attendance may result in a referral to the Education Welfare Officer.

Yours sincerely

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Monday 21 – Friday 25 May		Year 2 SATs
Friday 25 May		School Closes for Half Term
Monday 28 May – Friday 1 June		Spring Half Term Week
Monday 4 June		Pupils return to school
Monday 4 – Friday 8 June		Writing Week Book Fair
Monday 11 – Friday 15 June		Year 1 Phonics Tests
Tuesday 12 June	9.00am	Reception Class Assembly
Thursday 14 and Friday 15 June	11.30am	Fathers' Day Lunches
Monday 18 – Friday 22 June		Den Week
Tuesday 19 June	9.00am	Larch Class Assembly
Wednesday 20 June	9.00am	Elder Class Assembly
Thursday 21 June	9.00am	Beech Class Assembly
Tuesday 26 June	9.00am	Oak Class Assembly
Wednesday 27 June	9.00am	Chestnut Class Assembly
Thursday 28 and Friday 29 June		Year 4 Camping Trip
Thursday 28 June	9.00am	Mulberry Class Assembly
Monday 2 July		Canada Day
Tuesday 3 July	9.00am	Maple Class Assembly
Wednesday 4 July	9.00am	Holly Class Assembly
Monday 9 – Friday 13 July		Sports Week
Tuesday 10 July		Transition Day
Wednesday 11 July	9.30am 1.30pm	Sports Day Summer Fair
Friday 20 July	9.00am 2.00pm	Leavers' Assembly School Closes for Summer Holidays