

# Moss Lane School

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Dear Families,

A big welcome back to the autumn term and a special welcome to our new children, staff and parents. I hope you all had a lovely summer with lots of adventures and fun! We are very proud of our caring community here at Moss Lane and I am sure that it will not take you long to settle in.

It is lovely to see the children and staff after their summer break and everyone looks smart in their school uniforms. The children in Year 1 and Year 2 came in beautifully and it is always amazing to see how much they have grown!

Our new Bees have also started school and have had a great start. We are all looking forward to getting to know them and I hope that you enjoy becoming a part of Moss Lane School.

We have a very busy term ahead so please ensure you check and **empty** your child's book bag **daily**. Do not forget to download the eSchools App if you have not already, to ensure you get the most up to date information. For more information about dates, clubs, Governors and the PTA, please take a look at our [website](#). The website holds most of the information that you need on school life however please call the office if you need anything else.

Families have been told about the new Innovate app for ordering school meals. I have been made aware that there are some teething issues with it. If you are having difficulty with the App, order your meals like you use to through the online portal.

Our theme for our assemblies this week was thinking about our school vision of **Safe and happy, aiming high!** We also looked at and talked about our three school golden rules of: -

- Be Ready
- Be Respectful
- Be Safe

Our school value this half term is 'Friendship'. The children had some lovely ideas about what qualities make a good friend and what they can do to be good friends to others.

I would like to wish you all the very best for the term ahead.

Mrs Abbott  
Headteacher



Our value for this term is

**Friendship**

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## What's coming up...

### Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October

- PTA Welcome coffee morning for new families 9.15am- 10.00am

Check out our online calendar of events [here](#).

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## What's going on in school...

### Bees

Mrs King and Miss Fox would like to thank all our new families for providing such a warm welcome when we completed our Home Visits last week. These visits are such an important part of the children's induction process and create a very strong start in our partnership with parents. The children have made a super start this week, exploring their new classrooms, playing and building relationships with everyone in Bees. The children were all very excited to receive their Pepperpot Passes this week, which means they now know how to use the playground equipment safely. They have also enjoyed playing games, reading stories, building with Lego and creating with playdough.

### Year 1

The children have begun exploring year 1 confidently learning the new routines and expectations of their classrooms. Foxes and Squirrels have started their Busy Bodies topic by labelling parts of the body. All children have been talking about how to be friendly and modelling these ideas in their play. They have also been working hard on matching upper case and lower case letters!

A great start to year 1 Foxes and Squirrels.



**Over the summer holiday eCollins (online book access) carried out an update. This has meant that logins for online reading (for Year 1 & 2) may have been disrupted. We are working on resolving this issue. We may be instructed to issue new log-ins or previous ones may reactivate. Thank you for your patience.**

### Year 2

Otters and Hedgehogs have made a wonderful start to the school year. The children in year two have been learning about the Great Fire of London. Mr Parker and Miss Clare are extremely proud of how all the children have transitioned to year two.

### **Safeguarding...**

The school's Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mrs Abbott.

The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads at the school are:

Miss Betterton

Mrs King

Miss Forbes Wood

A DSL is available at all times. Please contact the Office if you have any safeguarding concerns or would like advice.

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## Staffing

I would like to introduce two new office staff who have joined us for this year Miss Windus and Miss Langridge. Both are already very familiar with the school having worked here in previous role.



Miss Windus



Miss Langridge



## **WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> September**

The aim of these talks is to provide you with a brief overview of the year ahead with regards to general procedures i.e. home learning, reading and the curriculum.

These will all be held in the hall and be approx. 20mins long.

Yr1: 6.00pm

Yr2: 6.30pm

EYFS: 7.00pm

### **Mobile Parents/carers**

While we would prefer parents/carers not to use their mobile phones while at school, we recognise that this would be impossible to regulate and that many parents see their phones as essential means of communication at all times. We therefore ask that parents/carers usage of mobile phones, whilst on the school site is courteous and appropriate to the school environment. Please also remember that your child will want to greet you at the end of the day and share their news, so please try to be 'available' as they come out of their classroom.

Mobile phone use is not permitted when parents or carers are waiting in the school Office as this is a working environment. Posters are displayed in this area as a reminder.

We appreciate that parents will want to photograph or video school events such as shows or sports day using their mobile phones, but this is in the understanding that parents do not publish images (e.g. on social networking sites) that include any children other than their own. It is not permissible for parents to take photographs or videos at any other time on school premises.

We would really appreciate it if parents and carers would refrain from using FaceTime or any form of video calling whilst on site as this is a safeguarding issue potentially for other members of our school community.

