



Friday Fortnightly Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

The John Moore
Primary School

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Over the next few weeks:

w/c Monday November
13th 2017
'Anti-Bullying Week'

Friday November 17th
Children in Need day
Wear something spotty—
collection of silver and
pound coins.

Tuesday November 21st
Viking Day in Year 5

Thursday November 23rd
8.30 am 'Open
classrooms'

Friday November 24th
Non uniform day—bring
in donations for the
Christmas Fayre
Chocolate Tombola stall

Friday 1st December
5.30—8.00pm
School Christmas Fayre



Children in Need Day

For Children in Need we are having a Pudsey Day. We would really appreciate it if you could bring some loose change. We will be collecting silver coins and £1s. Your child is allowed to wear something spotty to school, to represent Pudsey, instead of school uniform. All of the money will go to Children in Need. Whilst the money is at our school it will be placed inside a big picture of Pudsey before being counted.



Thank you!

JMPS Pupil Council



This event will take place on
Friday 17th November



'Open Classrooms'

Please join us for 'Open Classrooms' on

Thursday November 23rd 2017

from 8.30 until 9.00 am

PLEASE NOTE THE TIME OF THIS EVENT

This is an opportunity for your child / children to show you some of the work they have been doing in their classrooms or to do an activity with them. This before school session worked extremely well last year and we had some good feedback, so thought we would try it again.

PLEASE NOTE ALL CHILDREN WILL BE COMING STRAIGHT INTO SCHOOL AT 8.30 am on this day / as they arrive at school.

The bell will ring at the end of the 'Open Classrooms' session at 9.00 am.

Please do come along if you are able to.

**Non-Uniform day
for the Christmas Fayre Chocolate Tombola
Friday November 24th 2017**



Children are invited to wear clothes of their own choice on this day, instead of school uniform. In exchange we would like children to bring a donation of chocolate for the Christmas Fayre Tombola.



Thank you for your support.

Drum Tuition—Year 3, 4, 5 and 6

Thanks to all parents who would like their children to take up drum lessons with Austin Rose. Predictably, the assembly/workshop generated much interest and I will shortly be forwarding the returned slips and email addresses to Austin in order that he can make arrangements to start in the new term.



Give Love in a box this Christmas—Teams4U

T4U

real people making
a real difference

Shoe Box Appeal

You will soon receive a leaflet in your child's book bag explaining that this is a Christmas project which enables children in some of the toughest parts of the world to receive some gifts and goodies at Christmas time. The idea is that you wrap a shoe box, fill it with simple small gifts, which can then be sent to a child in another country who is in need. Please follow the information on the leaflet sent home with you child telling you what can be put in the boxes and what cannot be sent. We thought that this would be a lovely thing for the children to do and would bring another child joy and happiness this Christmas time.

It would be great if you felt your child could take part in this project. All the instructions are included in the leaflet. (additional leaflets are available from the School Office.)

We will collect all shoe boxes at the school to be sent off. If you would like to join in with this activity please ensure that your shoe box is returned to school by **Thursday November 23rd 2017**. Thank you.

Please do remember that we have an 'open door' policy at school. If you have any concerns about your child's welfare or learning, please do not hesitate to come and discuss these with us. Teachers are usually available for quick queries before and after school. If you need to have a more detailed discussion with a teacher please make an appointment with the teacher or through the School Office. If there is something that you wish to discuss with me, I am available on most days and try to see parents as soon as possible. **Your child's happiness and well being at school is extremely important if they are to make good progress in their learning.**

Yours sincerely

**Mr Jon Tibbles
Acting Head Teacher**

OUR SCHOOL VISION

‘Our vision is to provide an excellent education for all that enables each individual to achieve their very best and where everyone is valued and respected.’

Communications

As part of our on-going work to ensure that Communications between all members of the School Community are effective, the third page of newsletters is generally a page dedicated to giving you further information about particular aspects of school and local community life.

Debating Club

Fun, thought provoking, building on confidence, improving debating skills. Just a few phrases which describe the children’s experiences working with School Governor, Graham Finch and Teaching Assistant, Mrs Summers in the weekly debating club held at the school. The topic for debate this week was ‘Do aliens really exist?’ and some compelling arguments were given on both sides of the room.



Both adults really enjoy running the club and explained that the children’s debating skills and confidence are growing week by week.

We have some really credible politicians of the future here and we are proud of their contributions at the club and in their classrooms.



Anti-Bullying Week w/c Monday November 13th 2017

We are taking part in Anti-Bullying Week this term between Monday 13th – Friday 17th November 2017. Anti-Bullying Week helps our school to shine a spotlight on bullying and encourage all children, teachers and parents to take action against bullying throughout the year.

We work hard as a school community to ensure that incidents of bullying in our school are very rare and appreciate the ways in which parents work with us to solve any issues between pupils in an effective way with positive outcomes.

The theme we will be promoting all this year is **‘kindness and well-being.’**



**Friends of the
School
Christmas Fayre
Friday December
1st
5.30—8.00 pm**

The Friends of the School are still in need of helpers for the Christmas Fayre.

If you are able to help please let a member of the committee or the School Office know as soon as possible.

School Term Dates and Holidays - Academic Year 2017/18

Autumn 2017	
Monday September 4 th 2017 – Friday October 20 th 2017	Autumn Term (Term 1)
Monday October 23 rd —Friday October 27 th 2017	Half term holiday
Monday October 30 th – Friday December 15 th 2017	Autumn Term (Term 2)[Term ends at 2.00 pm on Dec 15 th]
Monday December 18 th – Tuesday January 2 nd 2018	Christmas holidays
Spring 2018	
Wednesday January 3 rd 2018	School closed for teacher training (INSET)
Thursday January 4 th – Friday February 9 th 2018	Spring Term (Term 3)
Monday February 12 th – Friday February 16 th 2018	Half Term holiday
Monday February 19 th – Wednesday March 28 th 2018	Spring Term (Term 4) [Term ends at 2.00pm on March 28 th]
Thursday March 29 th 2018	School closed for teacher training (INSET)
Friday March 30 th 2018	Bank Holiday—Good Friday—School closed
Monday April 2 nd – Friday April 13 th 2018	Easter holidays
Summer 2018	
Monday April 16 th – Friday May 25 th 2018	Summer Term (Term 5)
Monday May 7 th 2018	Bank holiday Monday – School Closed
Monday May 28 th – Friday June 1 st 2018	Half term holiday
Monday June 4 th – Tuesday July 24 th 2018	Summer Term (Term 6)[Term ends at 2.00 pm on July 24 th]

Dates for your diary

AUTUMN TERM 2017	
Monday November 13 th 2017	Anti—bullying week
Friday November 17 th 2017	Children in need day
Tuesday November 23 rd 2017	8.30 am ‘Open Classrooms’
Friday November 24 th 2017	Non uniform day—donations for Tombola stall
Monday December 4 th 2017	2.00 pm Foundation Stage Christmas Performance
Tuesday December 5 th 2017	9.30 am Foundation Stage Christmas Performance
Wednesday December 6 th 2017	am FS / Key Stage 1 + Y6 Trip to the Pantomime – Roses Theatre
Thursday December 7 th 2017	pm Key Stage 2 Trip to the Pantomime – Roses Theatre
Wednesday December 13 th 2017	Ising POP concert—details to follow
Thursday December 14 th 2017	11.30 – 1.00 pm Christmas Lunch

SPRING TERM 2018

Wednesday January 3 rd 2018	INSET training day for staff
Wednesday / Thursday January 17 th & 18 th 2018	Life Education Van
Thursday January 23 rd 2018	3.30 – 4.30 pm ‘Open Classrooms’
Friday January 26 th 2018	Young Voices Concert
Wednesday January 31 st 2018	Year 5 Stemworks workshop
Monday February 5 th —7 th 2018	3.15—4.00 pm Book fair
Tuesday Feb 27 th and Thursday-	3.30—6.30 pm Parents’ evenings
Thursday March 29 th 2018	INSET training day for staff

SUMMER TERM 2018

Monday May 14 th – Thursday May 17 th 2018	Year 6 SATs week
Friday June 15 th 2018	9.30 am Infant Sports Day 1.15 pm Junior Sports Day
Thursday June 21 st 2018	8.30 am ‘Open Classrooms’
Monday June 25 th – Friday June 29 th 2018	Year 6 PGL Residential Torrington
Tuesday July 17 th 2018	3.30 pm—4.30 pm Optional parents’ evening
Tuesday July 24 th 2018	9.00 am Year 6 Leavers Assembly (Y6 Parents invited)
Tuesday July 24 th 2018	Term ends at 2.00 pm