

Moulsham Infant School

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December newsletter – 20th December 2022

Merry Christmas to all our families from all the staff at Moulsham Infant School.



Important Dates

Jan 5th – Children return to school.

Jan 13th – World Religion Day.

Jan 15th – Deadline for Year 3 and Year R applications to ECC.

Jan 18th – Planetarium visit for YR.

Jan 19th – Y1/Y2 Mind Fullness session with parents.

Jan 24th – Y1 Open Afternoon.

Jan 27th – Cherry class assembly & open morning.

Jan 30th – International Week.

Feb 2nd – Y1 Open Afternoon.

Feb 3rd – Oak class assembly & open morning.

First of all many thanks from all the staff for all the kind gifts and wishes we have received.

The last couple of weeks have been extremely busy, with the addition of snow and freezing temperatures. Thank you to Mr Fenech for his hard work, alongside the MJS site team, to ensure the site was safe. Also, many thanks to the teachers who covered part of the lunch times last week as we were short staffed and it was not safe for the children to go outside.

The children all performed brilliantly in the Christmas productions and I am sure all of you who were able to attend felt it was a great start to the Christmas season.

The children loved their Christmas shopping experience at the SMILE Christmas Market and then their visit to Santa's Grotto. Thank you to SMILE for organising both of these events.

We still have a vacancy in our lunchtime staff team, if anyone is interested in this role details can be obtained from the school office. I would like to thank you all for your continued support over this term. We look forward to welcoming the children back into school on **Thursday, 5th January** for the Spring term.

Finally, we wish you all a wonderful Christmas break, take care and keep safe.

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SCHOOL DINNER

It will be the week 1 menu when we return after the holidays. Please ensure your child brings a packed lunch if they have not ordered a hot meal. Please inform the office if there are any changes to your child's choices.



First Day Contact

If your child is unable to come to school because of illness, please ensure that you telephone the school office on the first day of absence, preferably before 9.15 a.m. If you telephone outside school hours, there will be an answer phone switched on for you to leave a message. If no message is received, we will need to contact you.

Reminder

The end of the school day is 3.15 p.m. We are finding there are lots of children not being picked up at the correct time.

Please ensure your child is collected by 3.15 p.m.

If there is no available parking, we have an arrangement with Tesco's that parents may park there and walk down to collect their children.

Please remember to name all your children's clothes – then we can return them.

THIS SCHOOL IS NUT FREE



THANK YOU
for keeping our school safe!

Important Dates

Feb 7th & 8th –
Parents' Evenings.

Feb 10th – Non-
pupil Day.

Feb 13th-17th – Half
Term Break.

Feb 28th – Y2 Open
Afternoon.

March 2nd Y2 Open
Afternoon.

March 2nd – World
Book Day.

March 3rd – Tulip
class assembly &
open morning.

March 10th – Maple
class assembly &
open morning.

March 17th – Y1
assembly (2.00
p.m.)

March 17th Comic
Relief Day.

March 23rd – Eden
Animal Co visit for
Y2.

March 24th Y1 Litter
picking at Oaklands
Park.

March 28th – DEAR
with parents for
Y1/Y2.

March 31st – Break
up for Easter
holidays.

Year 2 transfer to MJS

To apply for a place for your child (Year 3) at MJS for September 2023 you **must** apply by **15th January 2023**. Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions
Late applications made after the closing date are considered after those made on time, which reduces a parent's chance of being offered a place at their preferred school.



Important Information

Please remember all newsletters, important dates, forms and other information are available on our website at www.moulsham-inf.essex.sch.uk. SMILE also post reminders about upcoming events on their facebook page, just search for SMILE Parent's Group.

Head Lice

There has been reported cases of head lice in the last few weeks. Please use the holidays to check your child's hair and treat if required.

End of School Day

Please could parents remember to stand back from the EYFS gate, as it is proving difficult to see where parents are waiting.

Thank you.

Essex Library – Festive Lab in the Library

Lab in the Library are coming to Essex libraries 7th January with fun and easy winter themed science experiments for children aged 5-12.

Run by Kinetic Science as part of the Essex Year of Reading, the sessions will include some 'ice experiments' and arts and crafts with ice.

Come and celebrate winter with some FREE winter science fun.

Late Arrivals/Collections

If your child arrives, at school after their entrance has closed please bring them to the office and sign your child in. Children will be recorded in the register as late and if they arrive after 9.20 a.m. they will be recorded as an unauthorised absence for the morning session. If your child is collected late from the school office, you will be asked to sign them out. It is **not acceptable** to have your children collected by older siblings from MHS unless it is an emergency and by prior arrangement.

Charity Collections

We raised £83.62 for the Poppy Appeal, £309.56 for Children in Need and £188.64 for Save the Children from our Christmas Jumper Day.

We also raised £421.61 for Kids Inspire from donations at our Christmas productions. Thank you to everyone who supported these

Reception



Admissions

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