



Livingstone Newsletter

16th September 2022

Reminder – Due to HM Queen Elizabeth II's state funeral on Monday 19th September, school is closed. We will see you on Tuesday 20th September.

Star of the Week:

Nursery: Robyn

Reception: Charlie P

Year 1: Keir

Year 2: Myla

Year 3: Thomas

Year 4: Mia

Year 5: Alex B

Year 6: LillieMai

Well done to all of our Stars of the Week!

Clubs:

Clubs are now up on the School Spider app for years 1-6. We have also now been able to add a singing club which will start on the 26th September for Yrs 3-6. Science club will also start next week.

Apologies for all the mix up and errors in the system when we initially uploaded them. It was the first time using it for lots of clubs and we made a few mistakes. We know what to do now though! Thank you for bearing with us.

Welcome to Year session:

These presentations will be sent out on See saw and added to classes website pages. Thank you to those who attended.

Dogs:

Please could we ask that when bringing dogs to school, you move a little away from the gate. We had a lot of dogs around the gate at one point and this makes it hard for children who are scared of dogs to come into school and there is always a risk of over-excited dogs biting. Thank you for your help.

Nut and Sesame free school:

Please can we remind parents and carers that we are a nut and sesame free school. This means that children should not bring to school items for their lunch that contain nuts or sesame. This includes peanut butter or chocolate nut spread sandwiches, cereal bars with nuts in them and the one that has been catching a few people out recently is hummus as this generally contains tahini which is sesame seed paste. If we see children with these items in their packed lunch we will substitute the item. Snacks should just be fruit or vegetables. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Free School Meals:

If your financial situation has changed, and you are now receiving some benefits, please contact the office to see whether you might be entitled to Free School Meals. Eligibility is defined through the benefits that you claim but we can check eligibility at school with just a little bit of information. Once we have entered this information on the system, it will check regularly whether you have become eligible and will notify us automatically. It is worth doing this even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and already gets a universal free school meal because it also brings additional funding in to school to support learning and can qualify you for other support.

MacMillan Coffee Morning Friday 30th September:

We will be holding our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 30th September at 9am in the hall. We would appreciate any donations of coffee / tea / biscuits and cake. No cakes that contain nuts please. Parents and carers are all welcome to come in for a brew and a piece of cake after dropping children off at school, all for a donation to MacMillan Cancer Support. Please come through the door next to the Forest School Decking straight into the hall.

If children would like to bring in 20p on this day, then we will let them buy any left overs at play time.



High school applications:

The deadline for Year 6 applications to high schools is October 31st. Please ensure these are done by then. If you want any help or advice, feel free to ask.

Mossley Hollins Open Evening: Tuesday 27th September

It is the Mossley Hollins Open evening on Tuesday 27th September from 6-8.45pm. Parents and children in Years 5 & 6 are welcome to attend.

Transport for Greater Manchester's Travel to school campaign:

A new school year is a great opportunity to start afresh and try something new and consider how you might travel to school.

From September 4, the cost of child's bus fare in Greater Manchester will be capped at £1 for a single journey and £2.50 for a 1-day AnyBus travelcard, while an adult's journey will be capped at £2 for a single journey and £5 for a 1-day AnyBus travelcard. There are a couple of things you can do to plan ahead, including ensuring your child has their igo card.

With new cycling and walking routes popping up all the time, you could also think about cycling, walking or scooting to school – it is safer and easier than ever to do so! This can be a great, healthy way to start your day – particularly for shorter trips! It also helps with the cost of petrol!

If you do need to drive, please switch off your engine when waiting outside to reduce air pollution and, if possible, try parking further away and walking the last part of the journey.

AHP Art competition:

I have also attached with this newsletter details of an art competition which children might want to enter. It is open to all children age 7-11.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 19th September: School closed for HM Queen Elizabeth II's state funeral.

Tuesday 27th September: Mossley Hollins Open Evening for Year 5 & 6

Friday 30th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning 9am in the hall

Thursday 6th October: Individual and sibling photos

Tuesday 11th October: Year 3 to Harvest experience at the Methodist Church

Monday 17th October / Tuesday 18th October: Year 3 Spanish Day @ MHHS

Thursday 20th October: Hallowe'en Disco EYFS & KS1 5.30pm – 6.30pm; KS2 6.45 -8pm

Friday 21st October: End of Half term 1

Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October: half term holiday

Monday 31st October: Start of half term 2

Wednesday 2nd November: MCSP Maths Virtual challenge for Year 6

Thursday 3rd November: MCSP Debate meeting

Tuesday 8th November: Livingstone Open afternoon / evening for new Nursery and Reception September 2023.

Wednesday 16th November: Parents' evening 3.30pm – 6pm (in person)

Thursday 17th November: Flu vaccinations; Parents' evening 4.30pm – 7pm (telephone and Zoom)

Monday 21st November: Year 6 to Mossley Hollins for Mayan cookery session

Thursday 8th December: Year 6 Safe Squad at school

Monday 12th December: EYFS nativity 10am; Year 1 & 2 nativity 2pm & 6pm

Tuesday 13th December: EYFS nativity 10am; Year 1& 2 nativity 2pm

Thursday 15th December: EYFS / KS1 party am; Y3&4 party pm

Friday 16th December: Carol concert 9.10am; Y5&6 party pm; end of term 3.15pm

Monday 19th December – Monday 2nd January 2023: Christmas holiday

Tuesday 3rd January 2023: Inset Training Day for Staff

Wednesday 4th January 2023: Children return to school

