

# **Moss Road Academy Newsletter**

## A short but very successful half-term!

Over the past five weeks, the children have been engaged in a range of teaching and learning activities.

In Early Years, the children have enjoyed learning about Winter time and the artist Vincent Van Gogh.

Our Year 1 children have been learning how their grandparents' toys were different from theirs, together with learning about the seasons & observing the seasonal changes in our trees in the school grounds.

Our Year 2 children have been learning about the lives of Victorian children as well Victorian schools. Children have had great fun comparing their modern day lives to Victorian children in the past. They spent a day dressed as Victorians and engaged in a range of role-play to develop their understanding of life in a Victorian home and a Victorian classroom.

We hope that all our children, families and staff have a lovely half-term and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

Kind regards,

**Carol Ann Turner, Executive Head Teacher** 



## **KEY DATES**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February**- School reopens after the half-term holiday.

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February**- Skip2Bfit Family Day with the PE coach, Dave Gibson.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March- World Book Day.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March- British Science Week.

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day.

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March** – Eggs and incubator arrive in school from the Happy Chick Company.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March** – School closes at 3:15pm for the Easter holidays.

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April** – School reopens after the Easter holidays.

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- Parents' Evenings were held and teachers discussed the children's progress and next steps in their learning.
- Parent surveys were completed; your views are extremely important to us.
- Safer Internet Day was held in school on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February.
- The Leger Catering Team have produced a new range of menus for this term, more details of which can be found on the school website: www.askernmossroad.com
- Don't forget to follow us on X, where you will find photos of key events which are taking place at Moss Road: @MossRoadAcad
- A group of Y2 children have been chosen to represent the school at the forthcoming Campsmount Dance Show (March 21<sup>st</sup>) and rehearsals are well underway.

## **Moss Road Five Non-Negotiables:**

- **1**. Children arrive on time, wearing their school uniform.
- 2. Children bring their book bag and water bottle to school every day.
- 3. PE kit is brought to school on a Monday and remains in school until Friday.
- 4. Children read at least 3 times each week.
- **5.** The Seesaw app is accessed at least weekly.



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## **SCHOOL ATTENDANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

## Why does attendance matter?

Attending school on a regular basis is the key to your child doing well at school and will set them up with good routines for later life and in the working world, as well as giving your child the opportunity to:

- make lots of friends and feel included
- learn new things and develop many skills
- increase confidence and self esteem
- improve social skills
- achieve potential and fulfil aspirations.

At Moss Road, everyone is working hard to improve our overall attendance figure and we are working closely with families to ensure that every child is attending school as often as possible.

Remember, every day counts!

**Governing Body:** Have you ever thought of becoming a school Governor? Being a Governor can be an extremely rewarding experience and you will develop different transferrable skills which is great for your personal development. Please get in touch with the School Office for more information.

## **ASPIRE**

The children's personal development is at the heart of our curriculum. We are developing the children's understanding of sustainability and opened our Pre-Loved Uniform Shop today for parents to come along and choose free uniform for their children.

Our extra-curricular clubs over lunchtimes and after-school continue to be popular.

Physical activity is key to the children's development and mental wellbeing. Daily skipping sessions take place in school all the children have taken part in a Box2BFit session with the PE coach, Dave Gibson.

As part of our work with Leger Sport, a team of Y2 children took part in a KS1 basketball competition at Campsmount Academy.



## TEACHING AND LEARNING

On Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January, our school had its annual Teaching and Learning Review. We would like to share the things we were found to do well:

The school has high expectations for the children's behaviour and conduct. This is reflected in the positive behaviour seen around school.

Pupils' attitudes to learning are positive.

Pupils have a clear love of reading and this is a priority across the school.

The quality of teaching ensures that the children are engaged and are motivated to learn.

The curriculum and the school's effective wider work support pupils to be confident, resilient and independent, and to develop strength of character.

A wide-ranging enrichment and extra-curricular offer give pupils lots of opportunities to develop their talents and interests.

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