



Moorlands Church of England Primary Academy

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Dear Parents,

Welcome Back

I hope that you have all had a great summer and managed to get some quality family time. We're all really looking forward to the year ahead, continuing our journey of improvement and building a learning community of which everyone can be proud. I wanted to provide you with an update regarding some of the things we will be focusing on as a school and how we can all work together to support the children of Moorlands.

Staffing

- We're delighted to welcome Miss West to the school, who will be the teacher of Squirrels class.
- Miss Eyles got married over the summer and will now be known by her married name Mrs Surridge. Congratulations Mrs Surridge!

Behaviour Policy

We have a new behaviour and conduct policy that we are introducing this term. There is a strong focus on consistency and it places high but reasonable expectations on conduct. We will be communicating this to the children this week and we will also be writing to you with details of the part that you can play. Copies of the policy will also be available on the website.

Uniform

Please take careful note of the uniform requirements on the school website. Uniform does not have to be branded with the Moorlands logo, but the ones available from Harrisons on Southtown Road are reasonably priced and of very good quality. Please ensure that uniform is named, this is crucial and will always be the first question that you are asked if anything goes missing, as it is next to impossible to track unlabelled uniform. Please also be aware that we will be checking uniform regularly this year and we will be contacting you for your support if there are any issues.

Partnership with Parents

One of our key aims this year is to develop our partnership with parents and carers. We want to work with you to develop systems and structures that support all of the children in the school and allow for clear communication and good relationships between school and home.

Water Bottles

We'd just like to remind you that children's bottles in classrooms should only contain water. If your child needs juice for any reason, they need to keep their bottle in their bag, not in the classroom. This is because if it is spilt, juice will damage books and potentially create a sticky mess.

Times of the school day

As you know, the times of the school day have been changed. These have been communicated in a number of ways, including by letter and via the app. The key thing to remember is that school finishes for Reception and Nursery at 2.45pm and 3.00pm for the rest of the school. If you haven't already downloaded the app



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(search Google Play or The App store for **szapp**) please do so, it is a simple and effective tool, with all relevant information in one place.

School Lunches

As you know, we have a new catering contractor, Chartwells. Today, myself and our senior MSA both sampled the food and found it to be of excellent quality, it was tasty and lots of fresh fruit and veg was available. I also met the company's nutritionist and we are both very keen to work to make the change a big success.

We Want to Help

If, at any time, you do have any concerns regarding anything to do with your child, we are very keen to help and be as supportive as possible. In the first instance, you should speak to the class teacher, although please remember that they will not be able to talk to you during lesson times, unless a specific appointment has been made. If you would like to speak to Mr Lee or Mr Siddles, it is best to speak to the office via phone or email to office@moorlands.norfolk.sch.uk. Please be aware that it is always best to make an appointment, as often it is not possible to arrange a meeting on the spur of the moment and we would rather give any meeting the time and preparation that it needs.

Yours sincerely

K Lee
Head Teacher