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Dear parents/carers,

As you may know, Thursday 10th June is **Empathy Day** and Moorlands, along with many other schools and libraries across the country, will be taking part in celebrating this. You can find out more about it [here](#).

Over the last few weeks, Key Stage Two children have been reading the story of Stephen Lawrence's life and have been writing about how he has inspired them. As part of this work, some of the children have also written letters to Stephen's mum, Baroness Doreen Lawrence, and looked at the work of the Stephen Lawrence Day Foundation. Stephen Lawrence Day takes place every year on 22nd April, the date of Stephen's death, and is officially observed in the British calendar. The aims of the foundation are to "inspire a fairer and just society through Stephen's legacy engendering equality, diversity and inclusion for young people and communities globally" and it works to inspire children to dream freely, without barriers, and to realise the importance of education in achieving those dreams.

One of the things that the children said they were inspired to do was organise a "fun run" at school, as Stephen used to run mini-marathons to raise money for sick children. Our pupils decided that they would like to be sponsored to run five laps of the school field to raise money for the Stephen Lawrence Day Foundation. All classes from Reception to Year 6 will be taking part in the event, which will be on Empathy Day, Thursday 10th June.

Although the main goal of the day is about raising awareness and understanding of empathy, we would really appreciate it if people could support us by donating to the Stephen Lawrence Foundation charity. We will send details of how to do this via our Facebook page and also our app. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept cash.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

The staff team at Moorlands