

A message from your Headteacher: Mrs Atherton

Thank you to all Parents/Carers for attending this week's Oak class maths workshop and coming to the drop-in sessions to look at your child/ren work so far this term. A reminder that Wednesday 20th November is Sapling class' maths workshop at 2:30pm. It is great to have parent/carer engagement and there is a lot more to come as we look forward to the rest of the autumn term. This week has been action packed here at Moor First, the children have participated in anti-bullying activities with the theme 'Choose Respect' something that we already focus on as one of our 6 school values. We have also had Children in Need, thank you to all who have donated via Parent Pay and brought cash into school, you are making a difference and helping support this year's aim to 'Make Life Lighter for Children'. Once all donations have been received, the child who has raised the most, will receive a limited edition Pudsey Bear. Please see our picture gallery and our Facebook page for the photographs and videos from the Children in Need activities.

Stars of the Week

Our value of the week for this week has been **#respect**
The children who have clearly demonstrated this are:

- Little Acorns/Seedlings – Tristan
- Sapling Year 1 – Daniel J
- Sapling Year 2 – Daniel W
- Oak Year 3 – Ivy B
- Oak Year 4 – Maisie



Well done to you all!
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are invited to a
celebration
assembly
on **10.12.2024 at 9:00am**

Headteacher Awards

Sapling: Evie for her **#confidence** in joining in football club. Henry for his **#confidence** in Christmas singing and dancing.
Oak: Jack, Annie, Lucas and Lily for their **#confidence** and **#ambition** taking part in a writing day at James Bateman.
We are so proud of you all 😊
Please see photograph on the Gallery section of the Newsletter.



What Have We Learnt This Week?

Little Acorns and Seedlings – Our EYFS children learnt about Remembrance Day at the start of the week. They listened and asked relevant questions.



Sapling – In Geography, Sapling class have investigated daily weather patterns. They have also learnt how to accurately use a compass. In maths they have learnt about part whole models and fact families. In computing they compared technology/digital technology in home, school and outside.



Oak – In maths, Oak class have focused on column subtraction by separating the numbers into ones, tens, hundreds and thousands. They know that they must always start with the 'ones' column first.



Attendance

Class	04.11-8.11.2024
Seedlings	96.9%
Sapling Class	95.8%
Oak Class	100%



Oak class have done it again! Fantastic, 100% attendance. Little Acorns/Seedlings have achieved our school target of 96% and Sapling are so close! So a big well done to all this week.

Academic Recognitions

This week:
Dojo champions (behaviour for learning) – Elias and Nancy M.
TT Rockstars – Ella W and Nancy M.
Photograph in the gallery section.



Academy Photography

Will be in school on Monday 18th November to take individual, sibling and family photos. Please arrive between 8:30am-9:00am if you wish to have any sibling or family photos taken. Please inform the school office if you do not want your child to have their photo taken.



Carol Singing

We will take part in the annual Christmas Carol singing service at Biddulph Moor Christ Church on Thursday 19th December. The service will start at 9:15am, all families welcome to join us.



Honesty **Respect** **Confidence** **Responsibility** **Independence** **Ambition**

James Bateman – AIM High Writing Day

On Tuesday this week, 12th November, 4 of our Year 4 children attending a writing experience day with the author Colin Parsons at James Bateman. They showed their **#confidence** **#independence** and **#ambition** whilst representing the school, as Mr. Sutcliffe, one of our Governors described as, 'impeccably'. They had a great day and learnt different techniques on how to write their own story. When asked about their day, this is what they said:

Lily – "I had lots of fun and made new friends. My favourite part was making up character names as the other threw a ball at us to catch and said think of a first name and we had to quickly come up with one. The characters ended up being Alex Battery and Ashley Cane." **#Inspiration**

Jack – "I liked it when we were doing the middle part of the story, especially when the boar went into the bushes and didn't come back out." **#Suspense**

Lucas – "I found it good that we used one of Colin Parson's old stories that he didn't finish." **#Motivating**

Annie – "My favourite part was that I was confident enough to read my story out loud first in front of everyone even before the years 5 and 6!" **#Dramatic**



Christmas Fayre

Our Christmas Fayre is on Friday 6th December. As always, there will be a bottle tombola! We are inviting all children into school on **Friday 22nd November** wearing non-uniform in exchange for a bottle.



Safeguarding Reminder

If you are the last person to leave the school premises at any time of day, please ensure you close any gate you go through. We not only need to keep the children inside safe but we also need to monitor visitors coming in and out of school.



Parents Photograph

For one of our displays in school we are asking parents if they could send in a picture of themselves with just their eyes peering over the top of a book that they're currently reading. Our staff members have done the same. As we are encouraging our children to have a love for reading, we want them to see our love for reading too! If you would like to support us with this, please send your picture to the school office email address. *I have put an example photograph in the gallery.*



Picture Gallery



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Important Dates for your Diary

18th November – Academy photography

20th November – Sapling class parent maths workshop 03.20pm

22nd November – Non-uniform in exchange for a bottle for the tombola

6th December – Christmas Fayre 03:15pm (choir club performing)

7th December – Biddulph Moor Christmas Light Switch on (choir club performing)

10th December – **09:00am** Celebration café

12th December - EYFS arts and craft workshop 2:30pm

Christmas Plays: Little Acorns/Seedlings and Sapling class: Tue 17th Dec 09:00am (Sapling parents/carers to watch) and

18th December 09:00am (Little Acorns/Seedlings parents/carers to watch)

18th December – Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day

13th Dec 09:00am – Oak class play

19th December – **09:15am** Christmas church service for parents to attend

20th December – School closes for Christmas break

6th January – School opens for the start of spring term

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