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"Let Your
Light Shine"
Matthew 5:16



Remember to book your child's school dinners for the coming week

Newsletter **Friday 14th January 2022**

Last week's
attendance
was:
97%

Dear parents/carers,

As you are aware we have had several confirmed covid cases across both classes this week. I just wanted to reassure you that we are taking all necessary measures to ensure that we are keeping our children, staff and wider community safe. The school is well ventilated and handwashing is part of our daily routine in school, all staff are continuing to wear face coverings whilst at work. As government updates are announced, we will be updating our Risk assessments accordingly and notifying our parents. Please can we ask that parents keep us informed with any positive lateral flow tests within their households. Any child who tests positive on a lateral flow will now need to self-isolate and only when showing symptoms take a PCR test. Please see today's updated guidance from the Government.

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace.

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19 is available.

Teachers have prepared remote learning for those children who need to self-isolate. This learning is available on the Class Dojo sites and activities will cover what is being taught in class. It is important that you encourage your child to engage in these activities (if they are well enough) as it will help to ease a smoother transition back to school.

We currently have a wide range of after schools available for children in years 1-6. Many of these clubs have spaces available and are free for children to participate in.

Please look at the wide range of activities available in our timetable and use the School Gateway app to sign your child up for a club next week.

Our Woodland Champions have been busy developing the spiritual area and are spending their breaktimes and



lunchtimes to prepare the area for all the children to use. They hope to make the space a quiet area for children to relax and reflect, enjoying the views. They have also thought about creating a cosy outdoor reading area the children can enjoy when the weather is better.



Your child will come home today with a copy of our Knowledge Organiser for some of the wider curriculum subjects. Within this we have also included the Curriculum Newsletter. Please look at

these regularly with your child/ren so they become familiar with the language, facts and information presented as this will support their deeper understanding of the subject and their knowledge of the wider curriculum.

This term the children will continue to have their PE sessions with Mr Pugh, a PE specialist from Holsworthy College. Please can you ensure that your child/ren have a FULL PE kit in school each week (plain white t-shirt, navy shorts/tracksuit bottoms and trainers). We will also have a specialist music teacher who will be visiting both classes next week to support staff with the delivery of our new music program.

If you would like any further information regarding the curriculum, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with myself or your child/ren's class teacher.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Cook

School Diary

January

Monday – 17th	OCRA Unihoc after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm
Tuesday – 18th	Dance after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm
Wednesday – 19th	Tuck Shop , 3:15-3:30pm Art after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm (2 of 4)
Thursday – 20th	Martial Arts club, 3:30-4:30pm
Friday – 21st	Celebration Assembly, 9:15-9:30am PE lessons- Class 1 & 2

*Your child must be booked onto our after-school clubs through School Gateway, in order to take part.

School Dinners

Following feedback from parents, the meal options have increased slightly, and children can now choose from 3 sandwich options daily, aside from the usual main meal and veggie option. You will have noticed that the dessert no longer appears on the choices within School Gateway. Instead, the children can choose at lunchtime to have that day's main dessert, a yoghurt or a piece of fruit. All the images on the right have been taken during lunch service to give an idea of some of the delicious meals on offer to the children.



Flapjack,
Yoghurt
& Fruit

Tuna Mayo/ Ham Sandwiches & Salad

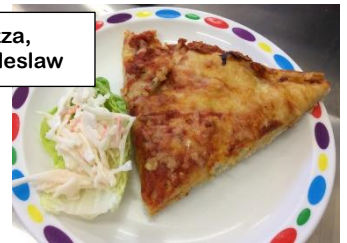


Sausage, Mash, Peas & Gravy



Fish Finger Butty,
Wedges & Veg Sticks

Margarita Pizza,
Lettuce & Coleslaw



Question of the Week

Is there someone you can rely on when feeling down?

88% Yes

Many of the children said that they were able to speak to staff particularly when they are on the playground.

12% No

Some of the children believed they didn't require any extra support and therefore didn't need the support of others. Others felt they were able to calm themselves down independently.



Art Club

This week the children made their own whiteboard using a sheet of laminate, which they decorated using gems and stickers.

GOVERNOR RECRUITMENT – MOORLAND

January 2022

Parent Governor Insertion for school newsletter

Parents – Your school needs YOU!

There is a vacancy for one Parent governor to join the Local Stakeholder Board with the Moorland schools.

Local governors are a vital part of the Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust's connection with schools and community, and Parents are an important voice within the governance structure.

To qualify as a Parent governor, you must have at least one child on the roll at any school within the Moorland hub, and must be eligible under the national governing body rules.

Nominations are now open, until close of business on **Friday 27th January 2022**.

All nominations will then be put forward to a parent vote, which will take place electronically.

The nomination form must be completed in full, and can be obtained by emailing the Clerk to Governors: j.hooper@dmatschools.org.uk

For an informal chat about the role of parent governor and the responsibilities of the local stakeholder board, please contact the Chair Bridget Down: bdown@dmatschools.org.uk or the Clerk to Governors: j.hooper@dmatschools.org.uk

Thank you for your interest, and we look forward to receiving your applications

Staff Governor Insertion for Intranet, school notices and staff noticeboard

Have you considered serving the Trust as a Staff governor?

There is a vacancy for one Staff governor to join the Local Stakeholder Board with Moorland schools.

Local governors are a vital part of the Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust's connection with schools and community, and Staff are an important voice within the governance structure.

To qualify as a Staff governor, you must be employed in any capacity within the Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust, ideally within one of the schools in the Moorland Hub, and must be eligible under the national governing body rules.

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GOLD STAR award

*Congratulations to the following children for achieving
their **gold star** certificates!*



SILVER AWARD
150 STARS

Class 1

Freddie

Class 2

Suzi



GOLD AWARD
350 STARS

Class 1

Albie



Super Learners of the Week!

Class 1

We have been very proud of **Albie** in Class 1 this week. He is always enthusiastic to learn and engage in class discussions. He has shown brilliant progress in his reading and phonics since returning after the Christmas holidays and always takes care with his letter and number formation. Well done, Albie!



Christian Ethos – 'Friendship'

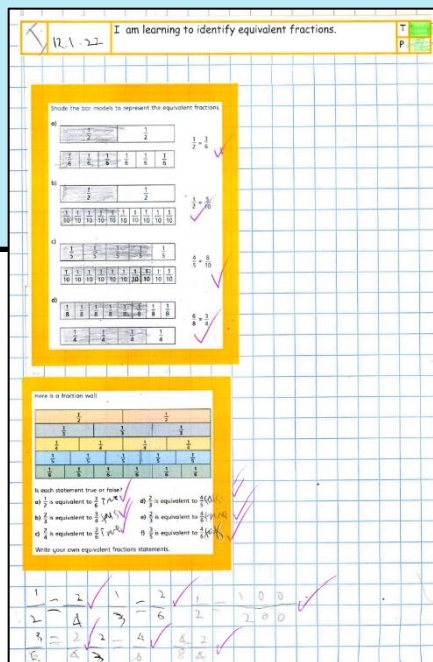
Class 1

Ellie is a member of Class 1 who is always showing our value of friendship. She has spent lots of time this week on the reading bed with other children, sharing a book with them. She is also a caring member of the Class who is always looking out for others and helping them with their learning if needed. Well done, Ellie!



Class 2

Harry has shown a fantastic attitude towards our new topic in Maths. It has been great to see his confidence develop with equivalent fractions and how he was able to explain this to others. Well done, Harry.



Class 2

Lily has shown some fantastic friendship skills at break times this term. It has been brilliant to see how she has matured and is able to problem solve independently when working as a team whilst developing the spiritual area. Well done, Lily!

