

JUNE NEWS

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Exhibition of Work and Culture Evening Dear Parents, Carers, Governors, Friends, Staff and Pupils

On Thursday 29th June the School will be hosting its annual Exhibition of Work Evening. The whole school will be open and **pupils** are encouraged to bring their parents to school between 5pm and 8 pm

The children should be your guide and show you their work and classrooms. Teachers are all here for informal discussions. In addition parents are encouraged to have a look all around the school, in other classrooms and to have a look at what everyone else has been doing. Certainly it is recommended that parents have a look at the classrooms their children are transferring to.

Staff will be available in the Conservation Area so please do go and have a look at the habitats. Not to be missed are the class garden tubs, each designed by a class this year around the theme of "Tubs of Culture". Which is your favourite?

As before there will be a rolling programme of music. We sincerely hope that Parent/Carers will facilitate their children being on time to perform. The choir always delight and their programme as always is a closely guarded secret. Year 2 will be performing again for us. This is the third year that Year 2 will attend the Big Little Sing at the Spa in Bridlington in the following week.

This year however we have added some special features as we are making the evening into **a cultural extravaganza linked to the Hull City of Culture celebrations.**

Each class has been commissioned to produce a large painting based on a feature of Hull in the style of a chosen artist.

In addition local performers are to be at stations around the school entertaining us.

The Friends Association will also be providing refreshments.

More details on the next page.



MORE ON THE EXHIBITION OF WORK EVENING

The Programme

5:30 pm	The Orchestra
6:20 pm	Y2: Big Little Sing
6:50 pm	Y3 Recorders
7:05 pm	Y4 Recorders
7:20 pm	Y5 & Y6 Recorders
7:40 pm	The Choir

Please note for everyone's safety and comfort a one way system will operate through the hall. In addition Parent/ Carers are encouraged not to bring prams/pushchairs into the school and through the corridors. Wherever possible,

please use external routes to the classrooms. Every room has an external door.

Watch out for more information regarding our Special Guests who will be performing at stations around the school.



REPORTS

These will be published before the Exhibition of Work Evening.

SAT results for Year 6 may be published later depending on when the results arrive in school

THE RED BOX ENTERPRISE CHALLENGE

Further Information from Beverley Building Society

Thank you so much for the great response to the Red Box Enterprise Challenge completed in connection with Beverley Building Society. The staff of the Building Society were thrilled with the swaps which were presented to Lesley Wegg and Zoe Fisher recently.

Lesley Wegg, Head of Operations at Beverley Building Society will be hosting the 3rd Annual Save Our Sons Charity Ball in aid of Action Duchenne. This event raises awareness of the condition that affects 53 youngsters in East Yorkshire and this year has a theme of a Masquerade Ball.

However, it is the raffle that raises the most funds as it is more financially accessible to many. As promised prizes were handed out in each year group for the most unusual / creative swaps. The donated items will now be used as raffle prizes for the charity Action Duchenne.

OVERALL WINNER: Natasha Sharpe was chosen to be the overall school winner. Natasha will now be invited to an exclusive garden party event in June. Here she will be burying the Society's Time Capsule.

Duchenne muscular dystrophy: is the most common fatal genetic disorder diagnosed in childhood, affecting approximately 1 in every 3,500 live male births (around 2500 people have DMD in the UK).

Because the Duchenne gene is found on the X-chromosome, it primarily affects boys with less than 1% of those with Duchenne being female. However, it occurs across all races and cultures.

Duchenne results in progressive loss of strength and is caused by a mutation in the gene that encodes for dystrophin. Because dystrophin is absent, the muscle cells are easily damaged. The progressive muscle weakness leads to serious medical problems, particularly issues relating to the heart and lungs. Young men with Duchenne typically live into their late twenties. Life expectancy is improving as standards of care and knowledge about Duchenne increases, and some men live into their 30's and 40's



GOVERNOR OF THE MONTH:

Kathryn Ratcliffe

Following the Parent/Carer survey last summer, it was suggested that in order to help parents to get a better knowledge of the governing body, a feature should be included in the newsletter.

Thank you to Parent Governor: Mrs. Kathryn Ratcliffe for this month's feature.

I have been a parent governor at Molescroft Primary School for just over five years, (currently serving in my second term of office) and I have been a parent at the school for twelve years. I have three children; Megan aged sixteen years and Lewis and Cerys, my eight year old twins, (currently in year four). I work as a primary school teacher and have done so for almost twenty years; I currently teach full time at Walkington Primary School, where I have taught for the past twelve years.



Originally from Standish, near Wigan in Lancashire, I moved over to East Yorkshire in 1998 when my husband changed jobs and we relocated to Beverley. It was daunting to move to an area which we knew nothing about, but we fell in love with beautiful Beverley, made a life here and have never looked back. It was by sheer chance that we bought our first house in the catchment area for Molescroft School and it was clearly a very lucky move. I feel privileged that my three children have been able to attend such a wonderful school and have received such an amazing start to their learning journey.

Having a passion for watching live musical theatre, I am completely overwhelmed each year by the school's wonderful theatre club performances. It amazes me how such complex shows can be performed by primary school aged children to such a high standard. Since my eldest daughter performed in her first theatre club show back in 2009, I have been lucky enough to have seen many of the school's outstanding shows and I am very much looking forward to watching Lewis and Cerys performing in their first Theatre Club performance of Starlight Express this summer.

NEW GOVERNORS

Three new governors are appointed

In May we were able to welcome three new governors to Molescroft Primary School. Look out in future months to their features on this page.

Between them they are representing the Local Authority or have been appointed because of their skill set.

Helen Ross is no stranger to Molescroft, as until recently Helen was the Lead Primary Advisor for the East Riding of Yorkshire School Improvement Service and was our school's improvement partner.

Ian Blanchard is a local business consultant with a background working in the Health Service, The Police and more recently for the English Football Association focussing on safeguarding.

Brian Stillings will be known to many of you as he is Joshua's Dad in Year 1. As well as a school improvement advisor for the East Riding of Yorkshire, he is also a lead Ofsted Inspector!

Governors have a huge responsibility these days and the demands on their time are considerable. Governors are a key focus of school inspections. Mr. Britton (right) is the staff governor.

We have an amazing breadth of experience and skills across our entire governing body. We are very lucky to have such a professional body of people work with the school to ensure the BEST for our children.



IMPORTANT UNIFORM REVIEW

Full clarification on the school uniform to be effective from 1st September 2017

In November I published the results of the Parent / Carer survey.

Among the comments were various views expressed regarding the school uniform and its interpretation!

I agreed that the time had come for a review and re establishment of the expectations. The school uniform is the domain of the School Governors. The following therefore has been agreed by the Governing Body and will come into effect from the beginning of the new school year in September. There are not many changes, but there are clarifications which mean that some items being worn now will not be accepted in the school new year. **These are highlighted in red text.**

THE NEW POLICY

There is a **mandatory** school uniform. The colours are a royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan **INCLUDING THE SCHOOL BADGE** over a yellow, white or emerald green polo shirt. The polo shirt may be plain or include the school badge. No other logos or badges are allowed. **Other styles of shirts/blouses are not school uniform.** The above is to be teamed with a skirt, pinafore dress, pair of shorts or trousers and these must be black or grey. **Visible socks or tights, must be plain grey, black or white.** Blue, green, yellow gingham or striped dresses are acceptable in the summer months and are available from local suppliers. **Cycling**



shorts are not appropriate for school wear. Optional school branded caps, coats and hoodies (for outdoor wear only) are also available. Children are encouraged to have a hat/cap to wear in the summer months to protect the children during break times. Clothes and shoes, which are excessively short, long, tight or baggy, are unsuitable for school. **Skirt length may be above the knee, but not excessively short.** Please remember children have to sit cross legged on the hall floor nearly every day.

Parents are asked to think carefully about the classroom footwear they provide for their children to ensure healthy feet. Leather is breathable whereas many synthetic materials are not.

Children do not change into plimsolls for indoor activities or P.E. All children, however need a change of footwear in snowy weather, particularly if children wish to play on the field. A PE uniform consists of plain black shorts and black tee shirt (no logos or stripes etc.). Children from Y1 upwards will also need additional warm clothing to

FROM SEPTEMBER:

Children are expected to wear a polo shirt, but it doesn't necessarily have to have the school logo embroidered.

Children must however wear a school jumper or cardigan **WITH** the school logo.

add to the P.E. kit when it is cold outside. This *may* be the school hoodie. Indoor dance and gymnastics are done barefoot. All children need a dedicated pair of training shoes for all year outdoor P.E. **THESE MUST BE SEPARATE FROM CLASSROOM SHOES** and have a good grip. All branded items and black PE shorts and shirts are available from the school office.

Children are asked not to bring large bags to school, but rather to use a drawstring bag (available from school £4) or a **small** duffel bag, shoulder bag or rucksack. A school rucksack (available from school £10) is optionally available but this does not replace the school book bag, which is mandatory.

Jewellery should not be worn, as there is a danger that it may be caught on equipment. Any necklaces must be worn inside clothing and removed for P.E. Only studs are allowed for those with pierced ears. Children will have to remove their own earrings for P.E or provide from home plasters to cover them.

IMPORTANT HOMEWORK REVIEW

A new approach to homework proposed from September 2017. Tell me what you think.

As with school uniform, the 2016 Parent carer survey contained various views regarding the setting of homework.

The team and I have looked closely at the system and believe the following four points should guide what is set for homework.

1. The Reading of the Guided Reading Book is paramount in importance.
2. Maths Homework in its current format can prove to be confusing to parents.
3. Homework should focus on the things which children need to know in each year and which are straight forward for parents to engage in.
4. Well spread out projects should be fun and engaging for the family

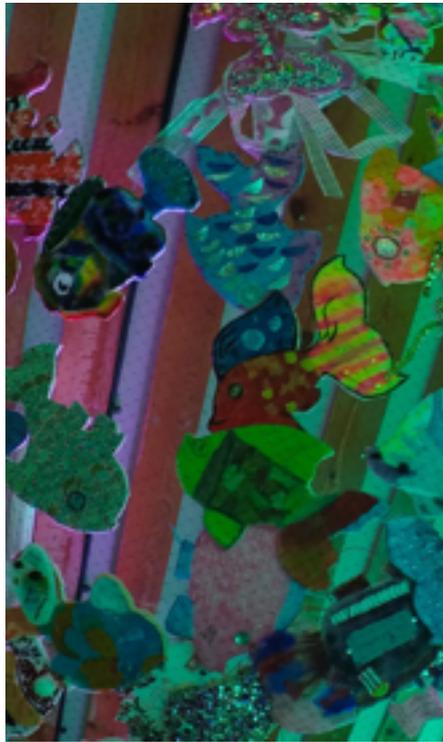
THE NEW POLICY: key points

What follows is a summary of the policy we intend to set up from September 2017. Any comments will be most welcome.

Reading and Phonics

Every child should engage with literacy every evening.

Parents are expected to purchase for their child, from the school, a reading book bag to transport a reading book or any other school related work between school and



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home. It is expected that children will be encouraged to develop good reading habits at home. This includes independent reading, or sharing a book/story with parents each evening.

Reading and comprehension are taught through 'Guided Reading' sessions, which are led, by teachers and TAs. **There is an expectation that children will read a significant number of pages before each session.** (The amount will clearly depend on the book and the age of the children.) For this reason, Literacy homework is primarily reading based, as it will be very important that children read the desired sections to enable them to participate effectively in the next Guided Reading session. Think of it as being a member of a Book Club. Pupils will not receive written exercises or literacy worksheets to complete **unless they are specifically linked to the guided reading text.**

Your child will however bring home a Reading and Writing Journal where both you and your child can record any comments. In addition to this there are sections where the children can collect quality words and phrases, which they have read. These then become a 'Treasure

Trove' of ideas, which can be used in any writing that the children have to complete at school. This **vital** homework activity carries high value and is part of a deliberate policy to use a high volume of reading to promote quality writing experiences and learning in school.

As always, it is important that a child continues to read and discuss the texts with a parent or another adult at home. To help initiate discussion, the journal includes a list of possible questions adults may wish to use to ask the child about the books he or she is reading.

The Guided Reading Book is the same as the Home Reading Book. It is possible however for children to borrow extra reading material from school, however the Home Reading Challenge must take precedence. Forgetting to bring the Guided Reading Book to school and/or the accompanying journal will have a detrimental effect on a child's ability to engage in Literacy at school.

Competent/older readers must maintain their reading diet in order to reach high targets in Year 6. These children should still read to adults at home and parents/ carers should continue to ask their older children questions about the text.

Core Skills

Providing Homework which is most appropriate for Parents to support

The school is no longer setting homework, linked to daily lessons in Maths or English. This often leads to stressful experiences for parents and children as 'modern' systems can baffle. Rather each Year Group will focus on a programme of **KEY SKILLS** and **ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE**, which every child should master. These will be published at the beginning of every academic year. Parents and Carers are encouraged to set up their own programme for supporting children to achieve these core areas. The expectations will be related to the National Curriculum for the year group. Examples may be (depending on age) to:

- spell a defined list of words
- learn a defined list of number bonds
- learn a defined list of multiplication/division tables
- tell the time
- understand money

Teachers will set up a testing programme for all the areas. The date of each test will be entered on the homework booklet so that parents will know in advance of when tests are occurring. There will be a minimum of one week's notice. Children will have a homework booklet, which will indicate how the child achieves in each test. The booklet will stay in the pupils' book bag. Each area will be re tested as the year progresses.

It is hoped that children will achieve on the first occasion, but memories can fade and revision is important.

If children master all the core areas quickly, congratulations. The reward will be that the child will find it easier to access the full



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curriculum. Families should then encourage the child to seek every opportunity to further fulfill their experiences of reading the arts and sport.

Helping your child to spell

The English language is a rich but complex language but, despite its complexity 85% of the English spelling system is predictable. A child by learning the rules and conventions of the system and the spelling strategies, will become a confident speller.

These are examples of strategies to help:

- * sounding words out: breaking the word down into phonemes (e.g. c-a-t, sh-e-ll) - many words cannot be sounded out so other strategies are needed;
- * dividing words into syllables, say each syllable as the word is written (e.g. re-mem-ber)
- * using the Look, say, cover, write, check strategy: look at the word and say it aloud, then cover it, write it and check to see if it is correct. If not highlight or underline the incorrect part and repeat the process;

- * using mnemonics as an aid to memorising a tricky word (e.g. people: people eat orange peel like elephants; could O U lucky duck)
- * finding words within words (e.g. a rat in separate)
- * making links between the meaning of words and their spelling (e.g. sign, signal, signature) - this strategy is used at a later stage than others;
- * working out spelling rules oneself—a later strategy;
- * using a dictionary as soon as a child knows how to.

Parents/carers are asked to encourage children to have a go at spelling words they are unsure of. This will give children the opportunity to try out spelling strategies and to find those, which are most successful for each individual. Please always praise every effort.

Core Skills

Helping your child with core mathematical knowledge

From the Foundation Stage children need to learn the reality of numbers e.g. what does 10 look like? Children need to be able to recall quickly number bonds to 10, then to 20 and then to 100. A number bond is all the combinations to make the target number of 10, 20 or 100. Children should be able to describe these bonds as addition and subtraction calculations e.g. $3 + 7 = 10$ AND $10 - 7 = 3$ AND $10 - 3 = 7$ Unlike spelling, there are a finite number of times tables which we require children to know. **Not knowing multiplication tables by the end of year 4 is a severe handicap to success in maths.**

Multiplication tables have to be learnt by rote and recalled in different orders i.e. not just 1X, 2X, 3X etc. Children also need to know the inverse operations e.g. 3 multiplied by 5 = 15 AND 15 divided by 5 = 3 and 15 divided by 3 = 5. Times table grids and other programmes such as Times Table Rock Stars will be used to support and encourage rapid recall.

Golden Target / Golden Mole

In the homework booklet there will be spaces for individual one off personal targets. Not all, but some children may have **ONE** extra target at a time. It will be to become secure in a highly specific skill or piece of knowledge. It will be a target which will be essential to that child's future success in school. The child will be responsible for taking the challenge. On achieving it, the child will be able to self award a Golden Mole Certificate.

Year 6 Revision

As the year progresses children in Year 6 will also receive revision homework. This is to help prepare them for the National Tests (SATs) in May.



Parents should not have to worry about giving confusing advice because they are not familiar with current teaching methods.

Extra Projects

From time to time a piece of project or research homework will be set. Often the project will engage the child with his or her family and provide resources for further work in school. These have largely evolved over time into special holiday activities.

Safety Net

Pupils with Special Educational Needs

The curriculum expectation is the same for all children. Clearly some children will be working on objectives from a previous year group. Parents will know if this applies. For the majority of children with a special educational need however the objective remains the same. The 'special need' means that extra support or initiatives may be required to enable achievement. It does not mean the expectation is reduced. Parents/Carers have a role to play in this. Parents/Carers can act like Teachers and Teaching Assistants in school and support children to overcome certain hurdles, which then enable the child to be able to succeed at a task. Similarly, parents can encourage a child to go beyond a task if that is

seen as appropriate. **It is however vital that whereas parents are very much encouraged to be involved in homework, parents must not be tempted to do the work for pupils.**

Crises/Family Commitments

If a child has not been able to do the work because of an unexpected occurrence, a brief note or email from a parent will be accepted without question.

As homework is based largely on core skills and knowledge, children should not have a problem accessing their homework.

The time taken to learn a core skill will vary from child to child. Little and often is the best way to complete these homework tasks. There is a view that brains retain knowledge studied just before bedtime best. Families can experiment with what works best for them.

If you have any thoughts on these proposals, please do let me know.

M.A. Loncaster

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

A REMINDER FROM THE APRIL/MAY NEWSLETTER

As part of our 20 Ideas for 20% gain campaign we have turned to Times Tables. This is the one single factor, which can have the most impact on pupils' performance in Maths. Children in Year 5 and 6 are enrolled on the Times Tables Rock Stars programme where they have created an Avatar persona. Each child competes against him or herself to move from Headliner to Rock Star to Rock Legend to Rock Hero.

In addition they compete against each other in time trials to become the class champion. The top performers from Year 5 and Year 6 will be feted on Friday 23rd June. They will be treated as "Rock Royalty" for the day before featuring in a spectacular Times Tables Rock Band in



Congratulations to Lucy Coombe whose entry into the Hull City of Culture Competition "Nature of Animals competition" was awarded "highly commended". Her photo showed a a bird. Shortly it will be displayed at the Treasure House in Beverley.

assembly. They will compete to be crowned the Molescroft Times Table Rock Star of the Year 2017 and to win a trophy which will no doubt dominate the winner's home mantelpiece!

So the challenge is set and I ask Parents/Carers to support their children in rising to the times tables challenge.

I aim that this will become an annual event and

therefore part of the pattern of the Molescroft year.

Children in Year 2 to 4 should also be encouraged to develop their fast times tables recall as multiplication and division questions in preparation for when they too will be able to take the challenge in Year 5 and 6. All work done now will be an investment in their chance to become a times table superstar.

POLLING DAY GENERAL ELECTION

On Thursday 8th June 2017 the school will be used as a Polling Station for the General Election. As we are able to separate ourselves from the general public, there is no need to close the school. Please note however that dinner will be a Super Salad served from the Pupil Kitchen. We will not be able to accommodate guests.

Zumba and Tennis Clubs will however run as normal.

Parents collecting or returning children to school during the day should still report to the reception desk, children will then be delivered / received through the Foundation Year gate.



SCHOOL REMAINS OPEN ON POLLING DAY

CELEBRATING THE WOMEN'S CRICKET WORLD CUP

A chance to play for England, or Australia or ...

Children in KS2 are looking forward to the opportunity to stage their own Cricket Tournaments. These will have our usual 'International' flavour and are designed to celebrate the Women's World Cricket Cup in England and the ICC Cricket Champions Tournament in England. Both are being held in June.

On Wednesday 14th June at 9:15am the Y3/Y4 Tournament will be hosted. In the first half of the morning all the pupils will be playing full time in the group stages. At around 10:30, the Knockout Tournament will begin with the top two teams from each group playing.

On the same day from 1:15pm an identical tournament will be organised for Y5 and Y6. The draw will be made for the



CAN YOU REFEREE?



SUMMER SEMI FROZEN FRUIT KEBABS

Pupils will no doubt be pleased to know that the Fruit Kebabs are to make a welcome return after half term. Semi-frozen fruit kebabs will be available from the Friends' Garden each morning break. They cost 30p each. Once again thanks go to Mrs. Hunsley, our extremely flexible Cook, for facilitating this.

teams and will be distributed before the tournaments. Parent/ Carers are most welcome to join us and bring a deckchair or rug to watch the matches. Adult spectators MUST queue at the front entrance in order to receive the 'sticker of the day'. If there is any chance that a guest will not be recognised by the office staff, please bring a photo I.D. Entrance will not be permitted until the site is made secure. There are no meals available to adult guests on these days. Morning guests will have to leave the site immediately the tournament is over.

JAM JARS Big Bounce for the top collecting class

In preparation for the FOMS Summer Fun Night we shall be having our extremely popular Jam Jar Stalls. Once again there will be a prize for the class which brings the most jars filled with exciting things e.g sweets (in wrappers), paperclips, hair slides, bobbles, rubbers, anything you can think of.



Calling all Referees Can you help us?

As indicated above on the 14th June we are holding two cricket tournaments here

at school and as usual we are on the lookout for referees for the event. No professional qualifications are required; (though of course they would be welcome too!) Referees

will be issued with the rules the children have been playing to. If you are interested in helping out please contact Mr Wood mwood@molescroftprimary.net or Miss Fullam kfullam@molescroftprimary.net indicating the session you can help out at.

Wednesday 14th June:
(Y3/4) 9:15am to 12 noon
(Y5/6) 1:15pm to 3:30pm

Thank you **all** for your continued support of sport at molescroft.

MOLEYMPIC GAMES

Maintaining our OLYMPIC LEGACY by continuing the innovations introduced in 2012

As for the last five years our Sports Days are to be held on two consecutive mornings. In 2017 our "Molelympic Games" are to be held on Monday 26th June for KS2 and on Wednesday 28th June for FY / KS1 (note alternate days for some events) with Friday 7th July as a reserve. Not only are there to be the traditional track and field events there are going to be additional events in table tennis (club members), gymnastics (club members), Badminton (club members) and tennis (seeded through a trial event organised earlier in June). There will be refreshments including cream and jam scones provided by the Friends Association. The timing of all this is described below:

MONDAY 26th JUNE

9:15 a.m. KS2 Athletics

Procession of competing nations, 20 teams representing Olympic host nations.

9.30 a.m. FY/KS1 Gymnastics Tournament in the hall

9.30 a.m. Athletics Competition begins followed by Medals Ceremony

10 a.m. KS1 Tennis Tournament on the playground

11:45 p.m. KS2 Gymnastics Team present a closing ceremony routine on the field

WEDNESDAY 28th JUNE

9:15 a.m : FY/KS1 Athletics

Procession of competing nations, 15 teams representing Olympic host nations.

9.30 a.m. Competition begins followed by Medals Ceremony

9.30 a.m. KS2 Tennis Tournament on the playground

9.30 a.m. KS2 Table Tennis Tournament in the Atrium

9:30 a.m KS2 Badminton Tournament in the Hall

Our sports days follow the guidance of the English Schools' Athletic Association. Mr. Wood and Miss Fullam will be delighted to hear from anyone available to help on these days.

Guests are welcome to all of the above. All guests must register through the main entrance and receiving the guest sticker of the day to wear. If there is any chance that a guest will not be recognised by the office staff, photo I.D. must be brought. It is not possible to accommodate adult guests for lunch on these dates.

WE KINDLY REQUEST THAT GUESTS BRING THEIR OWN GARDEN SEATS IF THEY WISH TO SIT DOWN DURING THE EVENTS.

There are no spaces for adult guests at lunch on these days

Children are practising a range of recommended Athletics Events in advance of our meetings. The children will have challenges set in each discipline and will score points for their team according to achieving a Gold, Silver, Bronze level. These challenges will be appropriate to their age and gender. Children will work in teams and points will go towards the team score. Each team member will be able to make a substantial contribution to their team's performance. As children achieve a Gold, Silver or Bronze level a sticker will be awarded. Points will then be tallied at the end. In addition real medals have been commissioned for Gold, Silver and Bronze teams and Gold, Silver and Bronze winners in the specialist extra events.



Guests are welcome to all elements of the Commonmole Games package. All guests must register through the main entrance. PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF A CHILD AND WAIT IN THE GROUNDS. Each guest will wear a sticker. If there is any chance that a guest will not be recognised by the office staff, photo I.D. must be brought.

CLUBS: Making More of Molescroft

FROM THE WEEK COMMENCING: Monday 5th June 2017

ALL INDOOR, AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS CLOSE ON 30th JUNE (except Theatre Club)

As always, I am indebted to the staff and volunteers who give up so much to offer extra curricular activities to our children.

Below is a list of Clubs which operate at school. **Clubs in bold indicate a change.** *Clubs in italics are provided through the Extended Schools Initiative, are NOT staffed by Molescroft, have a booking form AND usually incur a small fee.*

(CODE) indicates the location of/changing for club e.g Y5BN = Y5 room Mrs. Nicholls / (Y2JW) = Y2 room Mr. Williams

Day	Time	Club	Age Groups	Leader
Daily	12:30pm - 1:00pm	Lego Therapy (IC)	(by invitation)	Mrs. Charlton
	Enrichment Clubs: various days and times (watch out for separate letters from Mrs. Lazenby)			
Monday	8am - 8:40am	<i>Enhancing Spanish (FY)</i>	Y5 to Y6	<i>Mrs. Schravessande</i>
	12:00 noon - 1pm	Library is open	Y6 & Y4	Mrs. Tippet
	12:00pm - 12:30pm	Chess (Y6VT)	Intermediate	Mrs Coward
	12 noon - 12:35pm	Routines Dance (Y2SP)	Y3	Mrs. Bulless
	12:35pm - 1:10pm	Routines Dance (Y2SP)	Y2	Mrs. Bulless
	12:00pm - 12:35pm	<i>Spanish for Beginners (FY)</i>	Y1 to Y4	<i>Mrs. Schravessande</i>
	12:35pm - 1:10pm	<i>Spanish for Beginners (FY)</i>	Y1 to Y4	<i>Mrs. Schravessande</i>
	12:30pm - 1:00pm	<i>Craft Club (Y1)</i>	Y1 & Y2	<i>Miss Spencer & Mrs. Dixon</i>
	12:30pm - 1:10pm	Talented Artists (Y4SL)	By Invitation	Mrs. Ripley
	12:30pm - 1:10pm	Inspiring Writing (Y5BR)	Y5 & Y6	Mr. Rowsell
Sept 2017	3:30pm - 4:30pm	Tag Rugby (Y4SM)	Y3 to Y6	Tigers Sport Ed Trust

In light rain the club will continue outside. In heavy rain an indoor activity will be provided in Mr. Morton's classroom.

3:30pm - varies Theatre Club (see schedule) Y4 to Y6 Mr. Lancaster

ATTENDANCE ORGANISED BY REHEARSAL TIMETABLE from APRIL 24th.

Tuesday

12 noon - 12:35pm	Routines Dance (Y5BN)	Y5	Mrs. Bulless
12:00 noon - 1pm	Library is open	Y4 & Y5	Y6 Volunteers
12:35 - 1:10pm	Routines Dance (Y5BN)	Y4	Mrs. Bulless
12:30pm - 1:00pm	Christian Club (FY)	All	Miss Fullam, Mrs Norman, Mrs Hulse

Please note this is a religious/faith club; in the style of a 'Sunday School',

Parents/carers should inform the school if they wish their child not to attend

12:00pm - 12:30pm	Chess for all (Y6VT)	Beginners	Mrs Coward
12:35pm - 1:10pm	iPad Club (Y6MB)	Y6	Mr Britton
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<i>Hockey Coaching (Y3KS)</i>	Y3 TO Y6	<i>Tigers Sport Ed Trust</i>

In light rain the club will continue outside. In heavy rain an indoor activity will be provided in Miss Spencer's classroom.

3:30pm - 4:30pm *Boys Football (Y2JW)* Y3 & Y4 *Mr. Williams & Mr. Morton*

In light rain the club will continue outside. In heavy rain an indoor activity will be provided in Mr. Wood's classroom.

3:30pm - 4:30pm Table Tennis (Atrium) Y6 Mrs Coward

In light rain the club will continue outside. In heavy rain an indoor activity will be provided in Mr. Rowsell's classroom.

From JUNE 3:30pm - 4:30pm	Basketball (Y5BR)	Y4/Y5/Y6	Mr. Rowsell
3.40pm - 4.35pm	<i>Gymnastics (FYCP)</i>	Y1 - Y2	<i>Head Coach of Meridian Gym</i>
4:35pm - 5:35pm	<i>Gymnastics (FYCP)</i>	Y3-Y6 & Advanced	" " "

Wednesday

12:00 - 12:35pm	Routines Dance (Y6VT)	Y6	Mrs. Bulless
12:00 noon - 1pm	Library is open	Y5 & Y6	Y6 Volunteers
12:35 - 1:10pm	Routines Dance (Y6VT)	Y1	Mrs. Bulless
12:30pm - 1:00pm	Jigsaw Club (Y2SP)	Y1 & Y2	Miss Powers
12:30pm - 1:15pm	<i>Frenchtastic next steps (FY)</i>	KS2	<i>Mrs. McKie</i>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<i>Football Coaching (FY)</i>	FY TO Y2	<i>Tigers Sport Ed Trust</i>

Children to change in FOUNDATION Room. Parents may support in the room, but not go further into school

In light rain the club will continue outside. In heavy rain an indoor activity will be provided in the changing room.

3:30pm - 4:30pm *Code Club (IC)* Y4 to Y6 *Mr. Médard de Chardon*

3:30pm - 4:30pm *Badminton (Parish Centre)* Y3 to Y6 *Tigers Sport Ed Trust*

4:30pm - 5:30pm *Badminton for girls (PC)* Y3 to Y6 *Mr. I. Brice*

Enrichment Clubs: various days and times (watch out for separate letters from Mrs. Lazenby)

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CLUBS: Making More of Molescroft

FROM THE WEEK COMMENCING **Monday 5th June 2017**

ALL INDOOR, AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS CLOSE ON 30th JUNE (except Theatre Club)

As always, I am indebted to the staff and volunteers who give up so much to offer extra curricular activities to our children. Below is a list of Clubs which operate at school. **Clubs in bold indicate a change.** *Clubs in italics are provided through the Extended Schools Initiative, are NOT staffed by Molescroft, have a booking form AND usually incur a small fee.*

(CODE) indicates the location of incl. changing for the club e.g Y5BN = Y5 room Mrs. Nicholls / (Y2JW) = Y2 room Mr. Williams

Day	Time	Club	Age Groups	Leader
Thursday				
	12:00 noon - 1pm	Library is open	Y3 & Y2	Y6 Volunteers
	12:30pm - 1:15pm	<i>Frenchtastic for beginners (FY)</i>	<i>FY to Y2</i>	<i>Mrs. McKie</i>
	12:30pm - 1:00pm	Sewing & Knitting (Y6VT)	Y5/Y6	Mrs Coward
	12.30pm - 1.00pm	Choir (Y6MB)	Y3 - Y6	Mr Britton
	12:00pm - 12:35pm	Gardening Club	Y4	Mrs. Goff
	12:30pm - 1:00pm	Horrible Histories (Y2JW)	Y1 & Y2	Mr. Williams
	3:30pm - 4:30 pm	<i>Netball Club (Y6VT)</i>	<i>Y5 & Y6</i>	<i>Mrs. Mitchell-Smith</i>
	In light rain the club will continue outside. In heavy rain an indoor activity will be provided in			Mrs. Tippett's Room.
	3:30pm - 4:30pm	Ultimate Frisbee (Y3KS)	Y4 - Y6	Mr. Médard de Chardon
	In light rain the club will continue outside. In heavy rain an indoor activity will be provided in			Miss Spencer's classroom.
	3:30pm - 4:15pm	<i>Zumba with Street Dance (Y1EJ)</i>	<i>Y1 & Y2</i>	<i>Mrs. P. Rimmer</i>
	3:30pm - 4:30pm	Girls Football (Y3MW)	Y3 - Y6	Miss Johns
	In light rain the club will continue outside. In heavy rain an indoor activity will be provided in			Mr. Wood's classroom.
	4:30pm - 5:15pm	<i>Tennis (Parish Centre)</i>	<i>FY to Y2</i>	<i>Advantage Coaching</i>
	5:15pm - 6:00pm	<i>Tennis (Parish Centre)</i>	<i>Y3 - Y4</i>	<i>Advantage Coaching</i>

Friday

12:00 noon - 1pm	Library is open	Y2 & Y3	Y6 Volunteers
12:00 - 12:35pm	Urban Dance (Y4SM)	Y3 - Y4	Mrs. Bulless
12:35 - 1:10pm	Urban Dance (Y4SM)	Y5 - Y6	Mrs. Bulless
12:30pm - 13:00pm	KS1 Maths Enrichment (FY)	By invitation	Mr. Atkinson
12:30pm - 1:00pm	Guitar (Y6MB)	Y2 - Y6	Mr Britton
12:30 - 1:10pm	Sewing Machine Club (Y3MW)	Y6	Mrs. Koder
12:35pm - 1:10pm	Stamps (Y5BN)	Everyone	Mrs. Coward
12:35pm - 1:10pm	Vocalise (Singing) (Y2JW)	Y1 & Y2	Mr. Williams
2:15pm - 3:05pm	Orchestra (Hall)	By invitation	Mrs. Walker
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Boys Football (Y5BR)	Y5/Y6	Mrs. Coward
In light rain the club will continue outside. In heavy rain an indoor activity will be provided in Mr. Rowsell's classroom.			
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<i>Zumba with Street Dance (Own Classrooms) Y3 to Y6</i>		<i>Mrs. P. Rimmer</i>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Netball Club (Y3KS)	Y3/Y4	Miss Spencer
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A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING

RESIDENTIAL VISIT 2018

Meeting for Parent/ carers of YEAR 5

On Thursday 22nd June at 6 pm Parent/Carers of Year 5 are invited to school for an extremely important meeting regarding the **proposed** Residential Visit for next year's Year 6 to Derbyshire. Full details and costs will be explained.

The meeting is not designed for the children, but there is limited room in the ICT suite if Parents/Carers absolutely need to bring a child with them. The meeting will be held in Mrs. Nicholl's/Mrs. Grainger's classroom.



School Meals are Excellent Value.

Adult Guests for dinner.

I am delighted that our meal service is so popular with not only our pupils but also with adult guests. There is however a limit to capacity for visitors. If you intend to come to school to have lunch, please do not promise your child that you are coming unless you have a definite booking reserved. We can take bookings up to a week in advance until capacity is reached. I thank you for your understanding.

PUPIL DINNERS MUST BE PREPAID, no more than £2.30 will be accepted in arrears. Money must be sent to the classroom in a labelled envelope. PLEASE DO NOT SEND LOOSE MONEY. Each room has a post box through which letters and money (providing it is in a labelled sealed envelope) can be sent to the school office.

Meals are advertised on the website and there is always the salad with two wraps option. Children can self serve salad, vegetables and fruit salad and can have second portions.

** Please note; there are occasions e.g at Christmas, during the show week, and on sporting tournament days when it is not possible to accommodate extra adult guests at lunchtime. The same applies on the first week in September when the priority is to reestablish systems for our pupils particularly our new starters.*

Croft's Restaurant Around the World on a Plate

Continuing our International Journey of culinary delights "Around the World on a Plate" we have some specials, which our children can look forward to.

Tuesday 6th June - Sweden National Day

Swedish Meatballs with crispy potatoes followed by Kladdkaka (Swedish Chocolate Cake) with Ice Cream

Monday 12th June - Russia National Day

Beef Stroganoff with rice and crusty bread followed by Iced Russian Cake



Anyone wishing to know the details of any allergens in any of our meals provided can get the information from the school kitchen. Please telephone the normal school number 01482 861762 in order to be transferred.

Don't forget that parent/carers and grandparents can come for just £3.30 a meal. Please phone before 10 a.m. to book and bring along photo ID with you.



Advance Warning Dates for your diary

Please be aware however that the further ahead into the future dates are, there is a chance that events may have to move due to unforeseen circumstances.

July	Mo 3rd to Th 6th	9am Show Set up.
		PARISH CENTRE CLOSED UNTIL FRI 14th JULY
	Tu 4th - Fr 14th	Festival of Summer Salads for dinner served in the Atrium
	Th 6th	3:30pm Theatre Club 1st Rehearsal on Stage
	Fr 7th	Sports Day Reserve
	Sa 8th	1PM TO 5PM Soloists rehearsal on stage
	Su 9th	1PM TO 5PM Dress Rehearsal for musical
	Tu 11th	1:30pm Theatre Club Performance to School Y1 to Y6
	We 12th	7pm STARLIGHT EXPRESS
	Th 13th	7pm STARLIGHT EXPRESS
	Fr 14th	7pm STARLIGHT EXPRESS
	Tu 18th	8:50am Special Assembly for sports awards
	We 19th	8:50am Special Assembly for end of year non sporting end of year presentations;
	Fr 21st	9:00 to 10:30 am LEAVERS CONCERT to KS1 & FY & Y3/Y4
	Fr 21st	10:30 am LEAVERS CONCERT to Y5 & Parents/Carers of Y6
	Fr 21st	12:00 noon LEAVERS Lunch
	Fr 21st	1:45 pm FINAL ASSEMBLY:
	Fr 21st	3:20pm Procession of Y6 pupils applauded out of the school by other pupils.

Thursday 19th October 2017: HISTORY OF HULL FESTIVAL

Dates are subject to alteration. Please check newsletters nearer the event in case of a change.



We can dream of a sunny summer, can't we?

FUN IN THE SUN **Keep safe this summer**

Just a reminder that it is recommended that pupils have a wide brimmed or foreign legion style hat which protects the neck. Pupils are also recommended to have sun cream at school but the following protocol must be observed.

The sun cream must be clearly labelled with the child's name.

The sun cream must be kept in the box provided in each class – NOT in book bags, coats or pockets.

Each child must be trained at home how to best apply his or her own sun cream. Teachers and supervisors cannot apply sun cream for your child unless there is a medical requirement, this being dealt with through the Administration of Medicines Policy.

Parents may consider applying a cream on their children which will last a full day, which clearly makes things easier at school, although last year there was some debate as to whether this was safe enough. I leave it to you to decide what you prefer.

SUN PROTECTION

UV Index

- 11+ Extreme
- 8, 9, 10 Very High
- 6, 7 High
- 3, 4, 5 Moderate
- 1, 2 Low

Protect Yourself in 5 Ways

- Slip on sun-protective clothing
- Slop on SPF30+ sunscreen. Reapply every two hours
- Slap on a broad-brimmed hat
- Seek shade
- Slide on wrap-around sunglasses

Sun protection is generally not needed unless outside for extended periods

Slip Slop Slap Seek Slide

SUN SAFETY ... SAFETY FOR CHILDREN

Encouraging children to take simple precautions will prevent both short and long term sun damage while allowing them to enjoy their time outside.

- Infants under 12 months should be kept in the shade.
- Cover up children with hats, protective clothing and sunglasses.
- Use a sunscreen with an appropriate SPF factor for each family member based on individual skin type.

- Limit the time spent in the midday sun when the



Sports Mole

Despite having reduced teams the moles worked extremely hard.

Quad Kids Event

The Annual Quad Kids event took place on Tuesday 9th May. The event is an athletics tournament where a team of 4 boys and 4 girls rotate through 4 different events (Vortex throw, standing jump, short sprint and long sprint) The children are then awarded marks against a score sheet of athletic ability. Molescroft usually do pretty well and all the children who took part worked really hard to get the best scores. However, for various reasons we were unable to field a full team and we struggled to keep up with those who had a full squad. It is all the more remarkable that the Moles still managed to come in 5th in both events. Thank you to all our squad and a big well done.

It is important that if pupils are signed up for a competitive event that pupils do turn up (illness besides of course)

“Tickton and Walkington take the top spots”

In the Y3/4 competition

8th St.Marys

7th Swinemoor

6th Leconfield

5th Molescroft

4th Minster

3rd St. Johns

2nd Walkington

1st Tickton who scored 1210 points

In the Y5/6 competition

7th St.Marys

6th Swinemoor

5th Molescroft

4th Tickton

3rd Minster

2nd Leconfield

1st Walkington who scored 1276 points



It is important that if pupils are signed up for a competitive event that pupils do turn up (illness besides of course).

Sports Mole

Beijing Olympic Coach helps out the Molescroft Team!

Swim Training- Olympic Style



In true Olympic style, it was an early start for our Swim Squad. Getting ready for the next round of the tournament on the 23rd of May; The Molescroft 12 gathered at the Leisure Centre at 7am to take part in an hour of extra training. The training was led by former Beijing Olympic coach Steve Wray and our PE governor Karen Towse.

Despite the early start we had a full turn out and the children were all very keen and energetic. Practising their swim strokes and gaining advice on how to improve their performance, the children had a lane to themselves (thanks to BLC). The practise will help to decide on the final team layout and who takes part in which race to maximise our chances.

Molescroft says a big thanks to Steve, Karen and all the parents who gave up their time to support the squad. Good luck for the 23rd!



Sports Mole

Moles find another sport in which to excel!



Golf Gold!

The sun shone on the golf skills tournament at Longcroft on the 11th May. Twenty of our Y3/4 children made the journey up to the 3G pitches. The children were split into an A & B squad with 5 boys and 5 girls on each team. The teams then rotated around 8 different skills activities which were scored by Longcroft sports leaders.

The events were:

Bullseye, Dominoes, Drive for show, Finders/keepers, Grand National, Tunnel, Zone ball and Down the middle.

The children were all really enthusiastic and took part with lots of energy.

Despite the fact that many had not played before our A team came out on top! Well done to everyone and thanks to Longcroft for organising the event.

The results in full:

Year 3/4 event - 6th Molescroft B, 5th St.Marys blue, 4th St.Marys red, 3rd Walkington, 2nd Swinemoor and the winners were **Molescroft A**.

Year 5/6 event - 2nd Walkington and the winners were Swinemoor.

Well done to Swinemoor and Molescroft who are now invited to the SSP final in Bridlington later in June.



Sports Mole

Updates from the pool and pitch

On Saturday 9th April, Evie and William Ostler; Abigail Moon and Keira and Liam Roberts teamed up as "The Moles" to take part in the Swimathon 5k team event at Beverley Leisure Centre. Each member of the team swimming 1k each. They raised £150 for Marie Curie.

“So many of our pupils are finding success in their out of school activities, and extending the values of our school community into the wider world”



early age, has been selected for this superb opportunity to be taught by professional coaches and wear the Leeds United strip.

UPDATE ON DYLAN JACOBSEN

Readers may recall the news of Dylan regarding success at trials for Leeds United. This was followed by an injury which put everything on hold. It is great therefore to learn that after his trials and an injury set back a few months ago, Dylan has been offered a contract for the Leeds United shadow squad football team.

He will now train every week at Thorp Arch in Wetherby. We share his family's excitement that Dylan, at an

Dylan is one of only two boys in East Yorkshire to represent Leeds at under 9 level.

Friends of Molescroft School
(a registered charity no 510461)

SUMMER FAIR 2017

FRIDAY 23RD JUNE
★ 3.30PM 6PM ★

INCLUDING
BUNGEE FUN RUN

Ice Creams

Teachers in the Stocks

Bouncy Castle

Plus much more

Bouncy Slide

Tombola

Games

★ FUN FOR EVERYONE!! ★

Green Mole

During our really wild club afternoon, some of the children in year one planted a sunflower seed to take home, care for it and watch it grow!

Lily - "We needed soil and a seed to plant our sunflowers."
Isobel - "We need sun for our seed to grow."
Charlie - "It will grow a little bit in a few days, my grandma gave me a Buddleia to care for."



**PLEASE PIN THIS PAGE TO YOUR HOUSEHOLD NOTICEBOARD****JUNE**

-  Mo 5th 8:50am School Reopens after the half term holiday
Tubs of Culture Planting Week
- Tu 6th 12 noon Swedish National Day Lunch at Crofty's Restaurant
6pm Friends Association meeting
-  We 7th Y5 Visiting Yorkshire Sculpture Park
7pm Meeting for Parents/carers of children starting school in September 2017
- Th 8th General Election: Special Salad Bar for lunch at Crofty's Restaurant
8am - 9am FOMS Bags to School Collection of unwanted clothing
Y2 visiting Flamborough
- Fr 9th Y1 Visiting Hull Museums
-  Mo 12th Phonics Screening week in Y1
12 noon Russian National Day lunch at Crofty's Restaurant
- Tu 13th Am Tru Golf Tournament Round 2 at Bridlington
- Tu 13th - Th 15th Theo Wickenden (Artist) working with Y2
-  We 14th AM Y6 CAT Tests at Longcroft
9:10am Y3/Y4 International Cricket Tournament
1:15pm Y5/Y6 International Cricket Tournament
4pm - 6pm New Starters Party group a
PM Archery coaching for Y6
- Th 15th 4pm - 6pm New Starters Party group b
- Tu 20th 4pm Michael Hardcastle Football Tournament at Longcroft
- We 21st 1:15pm Big Weed Afternoon
3:15pm FOMS Second Hand Uniform Sale
6pm Full Governing Body Meeting
-  Th 22nd 8:30am Governors' Safeguarding Morning
9:15am Y2 Handball Tournament
6pm Meeting for Y5 Parents/Carers re the 2018 Residential Visit
-  Fr 23rd 10am Rock Stars Times Tables: The Final
1:15pm Green Team Meeting
3:30pm to 6pm FOMS Summer Fun Evening
- Mo 26th Pupil Reports will be published this week
-  Tu 27th 9am KS2 Sports Day including FY & KS1 Tennis & Gymnastics Finals
Last Toddlers Group of the term
-  We 28th FY & KS1 Sports Day including KS2 Tennis, Table Tennis & Badminton Finals
- Th 29th Rehearsals for Exhibition of Work Evening: Recorders, Choir, Y2 & ORCHESTRA
-  Fr 30th 5pm to 8:00pm Exhibition of Work & Cultural Evening
6pm All Indoor after school clubs close tonight (except Theatre Club)

PLEASE ALSO REFER TO THE ADVANCED DIARY DATES PUBLISHED WITHIN THE NEWSLETTER

Yours sincerely



Michael Loncaster
Head Teacher

