



Learn, Respect, Achieve

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Well, we are now a third of the way through the school year! Thanks to all parents who came to the autumn parents' evening. We had 82% of all our pupils represented and the 'Parent Champions', with an amazing attendance of 94%, were those in 6I – no certificates, unfortunately! We hope you found the assessment reports useful and look forward to welcoming you to our spring Open Week, where you will be able to see your children 'in action' and work alongside them in English.

Magic Moments at Moss Park Junior School

- ✓ Cross Country Running – Saturday, 9th December 2017. Very well done to all the pupils who took part and to Mr Boyer, staff and parents who give up their Saturday mornings to support our children at these events. Winners were: Year 6 girls – Team Bronze (Olivia, Tiaan and Sylvie); Year 5 boys – Team Silver (Kwame, Noah and James). Olivia Holbrook also got the individual Bronze – fantastic performance!
- ✓ The Y3 Christmas Performance was a triumph and the hall was packed on both days. Year 3 are a talented bunch!
- ✓ The Y4/5 and Y6 concerts have showcased the musical talents across school. It's such an amazing opportunity to play and take home instruments and we are proud of our strong links with Trafford Music Service. These events are always well organised by Ms Butler and we hope you enjoyed them.

Coming Soon

You've had our key dates in previous newsletters and you will receive individual letters from your children giving details of arrangements for the Christmas parties. We've got our brand new PTFA Discos in the last week of school and the response has been fantastic for these!

Homework Re-launch



Your child will be getting new homework books on their return to school in January – these will have an overview sheet that communicates our systems for Homework – including spelling, reading, and times tables. Pupils told us they'd like to do some topic related projects so we will be starting those too. We'll also be launching the *MyMaths* program which pupils can access from home and is tailored to your child's needs. It's a great homework tool. We'll be trialling it with the pupils in class first so they can find their way around the site.

School Bulletin

Road Safety on Moss Park Road



I am aware that there have been public concerns expressed about the road outside our school – a child narrowly missed getting knocked down last week. We continue to try to push the Council for more waiting and parking restrictions outside school, but we aren't getting anywhere. We've also asked for help from local wardens and traffic enforcement officers. At the end of the day, the only people who can change this is our families – please just make time in your day to park or wait just a little further away from school at the beginning and end of the day. Nothing is more valuable than the safety of our children.

Severe Weather Protocol



Whilst it is unlikely that we will have to close the school, we do have an Incident Team in school to decide any school closures and communicate this to you in a timely fashion. Any communication will be through our **teachers2parents** text system and on the front page of our school website. We are part of the Key 103 School Closure scheme, and we also report any closure to Trafford Council – on their website. If the weather deteriorates rapidly during the day, we may ask you to voluntarily pick up children wherever possible in the interest of safety, but would keep the school open for those pupils who couldn't be picked up earlier.

New Year, New Start!



Gates are open from 8.40 am at Moss Park Junior School (supervised so you can drop and go) and lessons begin at 8.50 am. If your child is running through the gate after the whistle is blown – they are late. Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time. Thank you for your cooperation.

We hope you enjoy a peaceful holiday and look forward to working alongside you all in 2018.

All good wishes,

Mrs Nunwick and all the staff at Moss Park Junior School

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| Friday 15th December | Save the Children Christmas/Winter Jumper charity day £1 donation |
| Friday 15th December | Y3 Party Afternoon |
| Monday 18th December | Y5/6 Party Afternoon |
| <i>Monday 18th December</i> | <i>Y5/6 PTFA Disco (straight after school)</i> |
| Tuesday 19th December | Y4 Party Afternoon |
| <i>Tuesday 19th December</i> | <i>Y3/4 PTFA Disco (straight after school)</i> |
| Wednesday 20th December | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Autumn Achievement Assembly (parents will be notified if their child is getting a certificate and may attend)▪ <i>Snow White Pantomime (Bitesize Theatre) @ 2pm</i>▪ School breaks up for the holidays |
| School re-opens on Wednesday 3rd January 2018 at 8.50 am | |

N.B. Clubs start on Monday 15th January (except Mr Myer's clubs will start on Monday 8th). Letters will go out this Friday detailing club offers – please return before we break up to avoid disappointment – initial 'you've got a place' texts will go out at the end of the day on Wednesday 20th December.