

Whole School Coronavirus Seesaw messages

9th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers, As an extra precaution against Coronavirus, all pupils are currently using hand sanitiser throughout the course of the day. If for any reason you would prefer for your child not to use this product, please let us know. Please note all children are supervised when using hand sanitiser. Kindest regards Moorside

13th March 2020

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Stay and Play - Cancelled Dear Parents and Carers, Due to current events surrounding the Coronavirus, the decision has been made to cancel this afternoons Stay and Play session for Early Years. An alternative date will be arranged once the pandemic has settled. Thank you for your support and understanding. Kindest regards The Early Years Team Moorside

13th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers. Your children will be coming home tonight with a QR code relating to Seesaw. Seesaw have made some exciting updates which will allow your children to share things that they have done at home more easily e.g. this week's science project. To enable children to use this independently, a second app will need to be downloaded – 'Seesaw Class' Once this has been downloaded, follow the instructions on the QR code letter that your child has received today. Please be aware that the current app you are using needs to remain active. This will be used for all whole school communication and any parent/ carer to teacher contact. This new app is designed for children's use. This is the app that the children use in school and therefore they should be confident in how to use it. If you have any difficulties, please let us know on Monday and we will endeavour to help. Have a lovely weekend. Moorside.

16th March 2020

Good morning, Due to recent events we are trying to reduce the number of people entering the school premises. Therefore for the time being we are asking for you to let your child come in to nursery by themselves, saying goodbye on the playground. At home time we will be sending the children out from the classroom doors. Therefore when we open the gate please could Panda class parents line up near the Panda classroom door (closest to the gate) and Meerkat parents line up at the cloakroom door. Mothers' Day stay and play is cancelled this Friday afternoon as is the Easter bonnet parade on the last Friday of term. Thank you for your support, we will keep you updated with any changes to this plan. The nursery team

16th March 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians This afternoon the Prime Minister updated us all on our duty to reduce the spread of COVID-19. This is a reminder that isolation

measures has now been extended to the whole household should you have one suspected case. Therefore, if you currently have a child off school with a temperature and/or new dry cough, the entire household will need to self-isolate and refrain from coming into school. I shall update all parents tomorrow on further developments. In the meantime, look after each other, stay safe and please continue to monitor both See-Saw and our website. Kind Regards Mr. S. Lawler-Smith Head Teacher.

17th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers. As you are aware, on Friday we sent pupils home with QR codes to log in to the 'class' version of Seesaw. This is to be used by the pupils to send in work from home and complete activities. You still need to keep your family version of the app for access to announcements and letters. We are aware that those pupils with siblings are struggling to have both children logged into the app at the same time. We are waiting for Seesaw to get back to us with a solution to this issue. Until this is resolved, it may be that each child will need to log in and out each time using their QR code so please keep them safe. A further update about work being set for children who are currently off, will be sent out in due course. Kindest regards Moorside

18th March 2020

RE: SEESAW – Work from Home Dear Parents and Carers, Following on from yesterday's Seesaw message regarding the NEW QR code, we are delighted to see some children are already sending photos of work they have done at home. Thank you for this. Please can we ask, that rather than submit work on the 'Admin Groups', please ensure that you are posting work to your individual Class. I.e. 'Nursery 1' rather than 'Nursery – Admin Team' etc. The Admin groups are used to communicate with parents and at such a busy time, we do not want to miss any messages coming through. Thank you for your support. Kindest regards. Moorside.

18th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers, Re: Alternative collection arrangements. We are aware that given the current climate, many of you will be pooling resources with family members and other parents to ensure that your children are safely dropped off and collected from school. We ask that you please, keep school informed should anyone new or different to your usual, be collecting your child from school. This will ensure we can continue to keep your child/ren safe. Thank you for your support. Kindest Regards Moorside

18th March 2020

Good afternoon everyone, Please see the attachment for further information on how to use Seesaw to support your child's learning at home. Thank you for all the photos and videos that have already been sent, it's lovely to see your children showing off what they can do! Thank you for your continued support, The Nursery Team

19th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers, Thank you all for your continued support during this time of uncertainty. Please be rest assured that we have already begun to take steps to fulfil government requirements following the recent developments shared on the news last night. It has yet to be confirmed which sectors will be class as key workers. As soon as we know this we can finalise plans. Should you think that you are likely to be classed as a key worker, please contact the school office via telephone or seesaw. Thank you to those who already have. Kindest regards, Mrs Kearsley.
Deputy Head Teacher

19th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers, Re: FREE SCHOOL MEALS Please rest assured that we are actively working alongside the Department of Education with regards to our 'Free School Meals' children. As soon as we have further clarification and a plan in place, we will inform parents accordingly. Kindest regards Moorside

25th March 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians and Carers I sincerely hope that you are well, that you and your family are in good spirits and you are all safe! This is the end of day four of our school being closed. Your teachers have posted learning tasks for your children daily and I hope that you are finding them beneficial. The singing, Maths, paintings and English tasks your children have completed is very impressive! I have also seen a Dad singing the Poppy song with his son which was pure magic! Keep it up all of you. As Head Teacher, I am exceedingly proud of how well our staff have responded to the challenge of providing you all with on-line learning materials, I am also exceedingly proud of how you have supported us. Thank you! Tonight I have been asked, by the Government, to send you a link providing you guidance on staying at home. This is going out to all parents. Please spend a couple of minutes reading and taking in the advice provided. Please stay safe, look out for each other and if there is anything our school community can do to further assist you please let me know. Kindest regards Mr. S. Lawler-Smith Head Teacher

1st April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers. Please see the below message relating to a recent SCAM that has been brought to our attention. IMPORTANT ALERT During the weekend, an article published which highlighted a recent scam that is targeting parents with school aged children advising them that a change in circumstances may make them eligible for free school meals. The scam emails sent to parents and carers claim to help support the funding of free meals while schools are closed but the DfE has said the emails are part of a scam. A spokesperson for the DfE said: "We have been informed some parents have received an email stating: 'As schools will be closing, if you're entitled to free school meals, please send your bank details and we'll make sure you're supported'. "This is a scam email - do not respond and delete immediately." Please do not respond to this email and if you have any questions

around eligibility for free school meals, please contact the school and we will do any further investigations needed. Kindest regards Moorside

20th April 2020

Please see the attached links for the government guidance for parents during this time:

Primary aged Children: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/help-primary-school-children-continue-their-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19>

Children with SEND: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/help-children-with-send-continue-their-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19> Kind Regards Moorside

23rd May 2020

Good morning, Further to last nights Headteacher Update... Those of you required to complete a survey, please note that the deadline is Monday 25th May 2020 at 5pm. Many thanks, Mrs Kearsley.

27th May 2020

Good afternoon all, I thought that I would share this lovely video to help explain to your children the need for social distancing. This will be especially helpful to facilitate a conversation for those children who may be returning to school soon.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PnnFrPaRqY>

Take care, Mrs Kearsley.