

MOGGY MESSENGER A Little School, with Big Ideas!





Hegd of School's Blog

First things first - hello, and welcome to the new look Moggy Messenger! I hope you enjoy our new layout and the contents included. Over the coming issues I am sure this newsletter will continue to evolve and adapt and we welcome any feedback or suggestions for content from all members of our community.

In my first three weeks here, since joining the Moggerhanger Family and Greensands Federation, I have been overwhelmed by the kind and welcoming reception I have received. I want to thank all of the school team and parent community for the wonderful start to my time with the school. I am very much looking forward to meeting more parents/guardians and family members over the coming weeks, months and years. During this settling period, I have been working very closely with the fantastic school team on a number of developments, which I am excited to be sharing with you over the coming weeks.

One thing that has been very evident already in my short time here is that the team at Moggerhanger are incredibly hardworking and committed to their roles, the pupils and the families of this community. Every team member is a wonderful asset and I am so pleased to have joined such a strong team.

Our key focus as a teaching team at the moment is around the development of our curriculum on offer and how we can further enhance and enrich this for our pupils. We were fortunate enough to be visited by an OFSTED Inspector this week, who has also helped us to review and refine our focus around these developments, too. Our teachers will continue to be working hard on this over coming weeks and months and we will be sharing our development as we go.

Another key aspect of development for us at the moment is around enhancing the pupil experience, with the launch of our new 'PUPIL CHAMPION' roles being the first of many pupil experiences we will be looking at. Pupil voice and responsibility are both crucial parts of successful education and we are very much looking forward to enhancing this further here at Moggerhanger.

Thank you again for your support and wonderful welcome to your community.

Mr C Macinnes Head of School



Key Dates

Friday 12th May Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May Monday 15th May- Friday 19th May KS1 SATs exams Friday 26th May - Sunday 4th June May half-term week

Monday 3rd July - Wednesday 5th July Frontier Residential trip for Years 3-6 Thursday 20th july

Tempest Photography - Class Photographs Monday 12th June Phonics Screening Week Thursday 22nd June Transition day- Sandy Secondary School for Year 6 pupils Monday 26th June Whole School Sports Day Thursday 29th June Back-up Sports Day (Weather depending) End of term

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Executive Principal's Messages







I hope you had a good Easter break. We now head into a half term of assessments for certain year groups, but we do not want the children to get anxious about this. They should just try their best. Year 6 SATS exams start on **Tuesday 9th May** and will run for the majority of the week. Year 2 will then have their assessment the week of the **15th May**. Year 1 phonics screening and Year 4 timetables checking will happen in June and we will share those dates closer to the time.

I would like to warmly welcome our new Head of School, **Mr Macinnes**, who is now in post. Mr Macinnes is responsible for the day-to-day running of the school. I will still very much be involved in the school, as I will lead the strategic direction of the school and oversee its development. I will also be working closely with Mr Macinnes and visiting the school regularly.

Welcome

I would like to thank all parents/ guardians, friends and families who attend our Coronation event on Thursday. It was a lovely afternoon and the children were, once again, **brilliant** in their performances. I would especially like to thank **FOMPS** for their continued support that make these events happen.



We cannot thank you enough for the generous donations that you have all made through the excellent events held by FOMPS. These events have enabled us to be able to improve things across the school for the benefit of all the children, and we could not do without this additional funding. The development of the forest school site is amazing and opens so many opportunities and possibilities for us and the children. We just cannot thank you enough for allowing us to have this additional funding to do this.

We have finally been able to secure a contractor to work on our playground over the summer holidays.

Unfortunately, it cannot be done until this time due to the amount of work and disruption it would cause. The playground will be resurfaced, and the pirate ship will be moved, so that the children can use it, along with a new trim trail and fence installed. I am really looking forward to all of this work being finished for when the children return in September.

I hope you had a lovely Coronation Bank Holiday weekend.



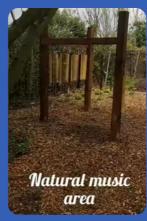
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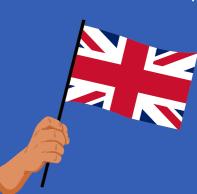
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Miss K Hayward
Executive Principal









CLASS NEWS



The Chicks have been enjoying lots of learning on colour mixing! They have been mixing up powder paints and water, then mixing the colours together to see what they can create. We have been exploring the colours in nature, especially on butterflies and have loved seeing the symmetry on their wings and creating our own!

The Robins have been learning all about plants and nature! We have explored the plants we can see in nature and what we have noticed with the season changing to spring. We learnt about the life cycle of plants and how they start as small seeds, then grow roots, then a shoot bursts through the ground and finally we have a plant! We have planted our own chives in our classroom and are experimenting with basil, to see how to make a plant grow the best!





Woodpeckers Class have settled back in beautifully. We all thoroughly enjoyed the Fire Service visit this week, and in English, Year 1 have been re-telling the story of the *Snail and the Whale*. In Year 2, we explored the setting of our book (*Ocean Meets Sky*) through role-play and we are now busy planning a letter! In Science, we have used our wonderful outdoor area to explore the trees. We identified some trees using a leaf identification prompt, measured the sizes of different tree trunks using tape measures and observed trees closely, using magnifiers.

Woodpeckers

Owls have had a fantastic start to the summer term! We have started our swimming lessons, which have been a great success and the children have really impressed us with their organisation and behaviour. In English, the children have loved listening to and reading 'Sheep-Pig' by Dick King-Smith, and they continue to work hard in Maths- this week we have been learning about fractions and multiplication. The children have also really enjoyed starting our new combined History and Geography topic, based on Moggerhanger - ask them to tell you why the village used to be called 'Muggerhanger'!





Kites Class have been very busy over the last couple of weeks, too. We had a great time going to Trinity Pool in Bedford for our swimming lessons. We have had some great Art lessons, looking at famous portraits, and I can't wait to see the children draw their own self-portraits in the next couple of weeks! Year 6 have been busy preparing for their SATs which take place next week, and I'm sure with all their hard work they will do brilliantly!

General Notices

ATTENDANCE PROTOCOL

· Please report your son/daughter's attendance **every day** if they are unwell or have an appointment.

You can call the school office on **01767 640270** and leave a message or email us at **office@moggerhangerprimary.co.uk**

- · If we do not hear from you, it will be marked as an unauthorised absence.
- · If you are going on holiday during term time, a school holiday form will need to be filled out and returned to the office.
- · Please inform us of any medical appointments that are during the school day.
- · If your child(ren) has diarrhoea and/or sickness we require 48 hours from the last time they were ill, before they can return to school.

Thank you.



We are a NUT FREE school!

Please ensure all the products you send in for your son/daughter for snack or lunch, do not contain any kind of nut and, if possible, no sesame seeds either, please.



We would like to remind you that earrings are not part of our uniform policy, and we ask that children do not wear them, for safety reasons. Children are able to wear a watch, if they would like.



If your child would like to learn to sing or play a musical instrument, one place to start is with Central Bedfordshire's Inspiring Music Centres.

Please go to www.inspiringmusic.co.uk/lessons-

<u>www.inspiringmusic.co.uk/lessons-</u> <u>schools/overview</u> to see all they have to offer.

Please can we remind
Parents/Guardians that children should not be bringing digital watches, or any type of digital device that has a camera function on it, into school.

Thank you

we have updated our registration periods

Morning Registration period is now 8:50am - 9:15pm.

Afternoon Registration is now open from 12:30pm - 1:10pm.

If your child needs to be collected for any reason, we would appreciate if you could use these timings as a guide for drop off or collection from the school office. Children who are in attendance during the registration period will receive a present mark in the register.

This change will hopefully aid your child in their attendance, however, children should still always aim to be at school between 8:40am and 8.50am, until 3:15pm each day.

Values at Moggerhanger

Our core Values at Moggerhanger are at the heart of all we do. Throughout each pupil's journey in our school community we continually refer to our four core values as a method of supporting our children to become wonderful role models and representatives of our community, as well as helping to shape them for their future in the wider world.

Values are universally accepted principles that guide our behaviour and promote good citizenship. We believe they are embraced by people of all faiths and are an integral element of society. We also believe that learning about values helps our pupils develop into successful learners, and successful adults.

Each value is accompanied by a child friendly statement and symbol as shown in the images to the right, this helps us to remember the purpose of each value.

Values are introduced through assemblies and classroom-based activities. They are for everyone in our school, adults and children alike; and adults play a vital role in demonstrating the values we are teaching our children. We ask that, whilst in our school, visitors reflect our values. We work hard to live our Values every day.

Through assemblies and classroom teaching, children learn to understand each value, and have the opportunity to discuss the meaning and relevance of values in our lives. We also award special Values certificates for children who are displaying our Values during the school day.

At Moggerhanger Primary School our children strive to live our Values every day, and in all that they do. Our children display our school Values throughout all aspects of school life, including in the classroom, on the playground, during extra-curricular activities, and outside of school.

If you notice your child representing any of our school values when outside of school, we would love to hear about it and celebrate this within our Moggy Messenger. Please do send an email to the school office, and we will make sure to share your child's achievements in our school and wider community.











ATTENDANCE **TARGET: 98%**

ATTENDANCE TO DATE: 96.15%





SCHOOL COUNCIL

Meeting

Notes

Date: 26.04.2023

Members : Freddie, Leila, Briar-Rose, Ronnie,

Ailish, Elara, Evie and Emelia

Notes :

Current school council badges are breaking - will look into different badges.

Creating school council logo deadline for next friday.

Discussions on spending money on the playground. New art work, pirate ship, equipment, wooden natural pieces. Possibly school trips.

Read through and discussed suggestion box. Someone has placed two suggestions in the box on red and yellow card but the pen ink meant we struggled to read the suggestion, could they please write them again or tell a councillor in person?

Suggestion Box:

Pirate ship won't be back until Buy school notice board and bench playground is resurfaced.

Need more school stationary

Lunch time music with different



Projects:

Summer raffle with prizes and donations. Also would like a a free lucky dip available for all children to try! Questions on how to fund items

Final fun week in the last week of

"I want to be a reading champion because I love reading and want to help the younger children love reading too!" Emelia (Kites)

> "My Favourite thing about Moggerhanger is the Trim Trail"

Elise (Woodpeckers)



Well Done KSI

On 28th April children from Years 1 and 2 attended a Multi-Skills Festival at Edward Peake Middle School.

Each pupil represented our school fantastically. The results are now in and we are delighted to say that our team came 6th across all of the teams that entered across Sandy and Biggleswade area. Well done to all who took part!



CHICKS Lottie ROBINS Billie WOODPECKERS Isqqc Maisie **OWLS** Johannes Areya KITES Maddie Emelia

Let's celebrate

ACHIEVEMENTS AT HOME



Grade 2 piano exam. She did it all in fancy dress, a different



Erin also achieved a



for being awarded a medal in a football

Please email the school office with any achievements and photos of your child/children you would like to appear in our Moggy Messenger!



Road Safety for Early Years



To start the term the Chicks and Robins enjoyed a visit from the road traffic officers. They came to school to tell us all about what they are doing on the motorways near us, showed us their jackets, helmets, boots and headlights and let us dress up! The Robins designed some road signs and we all had a turn in the traffic officers' car finding out about all the different signs they use and, more importantly, how to use the horn!!



Thank you to the National Highways team for visiting and sharing their time with us.













Fire Service Visit



On Wednesday, we were visited by Sandy Fire and Rescue Service. We were able to see and hear a real fire engine in action. The children had a tour around the fire engine and the fire fighters

explained what equipment they have and how they use it. The children were able to see inside where the fire fighters sit.











Find out how to keep your child and home safe from fire hazards through the Beds Fire Service Website

CLICK HERE to visit the Beas Fire website

IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 999 🤰











BLUNHAM YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB HAVE

BRAND NEW U10 & U12 GIRLS TEAMS

STARTING IN SEPTEMBER!

COME ALONG TO OUR OPEN TRAINING SESSIONS

















May Half Term 2023 Footbal By 4 Corner Coaching



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Venue:

Sandy Sports Centre (Astro) SG19 1BL





FRIENDS



FOOTBALL

Date Tuesday 30th May & Thursday 1st June

Time - 10.00am till 3.00pm

Costs £18 per person per session. Ages 5 - 14

UEFA B coaches – Youth Award Level 3 - Enhanced DBS Safeguarding – BFAS (Basic First Aid for Sport)

Contact: Mark - 07419764033 - mark@4cornercoaching.co.uk Natasha — 07957980492 - natasha@4cornercoaching.co.uk www.4cornercoaching.co.uk



PENDLETON SPORTS CENTRE STOTFOLD

- 4 Days £80
- 3 Days £60
- 2 Days £50
- 1 Day £25



NHS-MILITARY-POLICE-FIRE-BLUE LIGHT -MOD-SIBLINGS



- Skills & ball techniques
- Footwork exercises
- Strategy & teamwork exercises

INFORMATION

5-16 years old 10AM - 3 PM

EARLY DROP OFF AND LATE PICK UP

Extra £5 per day per child 9am Drop Off - 3.30pm Pick Up







CHUMS Psychoeducation Workshop Registration Form

Please answer all the questions below and clearly state which workshop you would like to attend. After you have completed the form, please return it to fwteam@chums.uk.com. Before completing the form, please read the following information:

- To be accepted onto a workshop, your child must be registered to a GP surgery in Central Bedfordshire, Bedford Borough or Luton.
- The workshops are designed as a starting point for families who have not previously
 accessed support from mental health services and are suited for children with low level
 difficulties.
- If you are concerned that your child's problem is causing a moderate/severe impact on their life, then these series of workshops are unlikely to address your concerns and we would recommend making a CHUMS/CAMHS referral on our website; http://chums.uk.com/bedfordshire-and-luton-referral-forms/.
- Equally these workshops will not address queries or difficulties in relation to risky behaviour (e.g., self-harm, suicide ideation).
- All workshops are one off and your child will be discharged afterwards, with no further contact scheduled.
- If you are unable to attend a workshop, please email us and let us know at least 24 hours beforehand. If you give us less than 24 hours' notice or fail to attend, you will be discharged from our service.
- If you sign up to multiple workshops and you are unable to attend the first workshop, you
 must let us know 24 hours beforehand. If you do not inform us of this, we will assume that
 you do not want to access any further workshops and you will be discharged from our
 service.
- Please be mindful that these workshops may be subject to cancellation, we will aim to
 inform you of any cancellations as timely as possible. In the event that we are unable to
 do this prior to the workshop start time we will instead provide you with a Q&A session
 around the workshop topic.

Child's First Name	
Child's Surname	
Child's DOB (DD/MM/YYYY)	
Gender	
Parent/ Carer Name and Relationship	
Email Address	
Telephone NO.	

Home Address	
GP Surgery	
Ethnic Origin	
Nationality	
Main Language (If English is not your first language and you require additional support, please discuss this with us.)	
Current School	
Does your child have any disabilities or physical restrictions?	YES/NO If yes, list here:
Does your child have any long-term conditions? (E.g., asthma, eczema)	YES/NO If yes, list here:
Does your child have an Educational Health & Care Plan?	YES / NO
Is your child known to Early Help / Social Services?	YES / NO
If known to Social Services, is your child considered a "Looked After Child"?	YES / NO
Are you currently in the process of completing an Early Help Assessment?	YES / NO
Does your child have any diagnosed learning disabilities (<u>e.q.</u> dyslexia)?	YES / NO
Does your child have a formal diagnosis of ADHD?	YES / NO
Does your child have a formal diagnosis of ASD?	YES / NO
worksnop you wish to attend and date of workshop (Please state parent sleep workshop, 0-5 resiliency etc.)	

Academic Calendar Dates

Moggerhanger Primary School Academic Calendar - 2022/2023 - Set Final Bank Holiday King's Coronation Additional Bank Holiday Training Day September 2022 October 2022 November 2022 December 2022 Mon Mon Mon Mon 5 12 19 26 3 10 17 24 31 5 12 19 26 13 20 27 13 20 Tue 11 18 25 Tue Tue Tue 1 8 15 22 27 Wed 21 28 14 21 Wed 12 19 Wed 2 9 16 23 14 15 22 13 20 27 22 29 Thu 3 10 17 24 Thu 15 2 9 16 23 30 7 14 21 28 Fri Fri 4 11 18 25 2 9 16 23 30 Sat 3 10 17 24 Sat 1 8 15 22 29 Sat 5 12 19 26 Sat 3 10 17 24 31 Sun 4 11 18 25 Sun 2 9 16 23 30 Sun 6 13 20 27 Sun 4 11 18 25 January 2023 February 2023 March 2023 April 2023 Mon 2 9 16 23 30 Mon 6 13 20 27 Mon 6 13 20 27 Mon 3 10 17 24 14 21 28 Tue 7 Tue 3 10 17 24 31 Tue 7 14 21 28 Tue 4 11 18 25 12 4 11 18 25 8 15 22 Wed Wed Wed Wed 1 8 15 22 29 5 19 26 2 9 16 23 12 19 26 9 16 Thu 13 3 10 17 24 13 20 27 3 10 17 24 Fri 14 21 28 Sat 4 11 18 25 Sat 7 14 21 28 Sat 4 11 18 25 Sat 1 8 15 22 29 Sun 5 12 19 26 Sun 1 8 15 22 29 Sun 5 12 19 26 Sun 2 9 16 23 30 May 2023 July 2023 August 2023 1 8 15 22 29 5 12 19 7 14 21 3 10 24 Mon Mon 17 Mon 2 9 16 23 30 6 13 20 27 Tue Tue 4 11 18 25 Tue 15 22 29 Tue Wed 3 10 17 24 31 Wed 7 14 21 28 Wed 5 12 19 26 Wed 2 9 16 23 30 Thu Thu 4 11 18 25 Thu 8 15 22 29 6 13 20 Thu 3 10 17 24 31 1 27

Term 1 - 72 days

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Term 2 - 59 days

Term 3 - 64 days = 195 days

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Pupil contact will amount to 190 of the 195 days. Schools will be closed on five of the 195 days. These five days will enable teacher training to take place in accordance with Teachers' Conditions of Service.

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Training days set as follows: Thursday 1st September and Friday 2st September 2023 (2 days), Friday 2st December (1 day), Tuesday 3st January 2023 (1 day) and Friday 2st July 2023 (1 day).

The law requires that a parent ensures that their child receives a full and efficient education. If you encity your child at a school, then you must ensure that they stend regularly. Regular school and tendance is defined as being 'in accordance with the rules prescribed by the school and mans that if the school is open not for 190 days, then this is what your child is expected to attend.

Moggerhanger Primary School Academic Calendar - 2023/2024 - SET FINAL

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Term 1 - 70 days Term 2 - 57 days

Term 3 - 63 days = 190 days

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