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This Half Term's Value: Thankfulness



'Phrases of Faith'

'Always be Thankful' – 1 Thessalonians 5-16

Dear Parents/ Carers,

A warm welcome to this week's newsletter. Another busy week has flown by and preparations for our Christmas Performances are in full swing.

We are very much looking forward to all our Christmas events; there will be a pocket money elf market on Monday and of course the incredible performances at our Christmas Concert in the Village Hall on Wednesday and Thursday as well as some wonderful singing and words at our Church Service on the final day of term.

Following last week's newsletter and news of all the exciting events which are up and coming, I hope that you have been excited to hear little snippets of the events to come which have perhaps been making their way into your home over the last few days. I know my own children are incredibly excited in anticipation of their own Christmas performances. The house is awash with the sound of them rehearsing their own songs, piano pieces and speaking parts; all amidst shouts and requests for Innkeeper and sheep costumes. I am sure that yours will be too! Isn't it the most wonderful time of the year ...!

We hope all our families have a wonderful weekend and look forward to seeing everyone on Monday for what will be the last full week of term before the Christmas Break and of, astonishingly, 2023!

With all Best Wishes,

Mrs S. Henney



Attendance



This week's winners are Lawley – Well done!

<u>Class</u>	<u>This week ...</u>	<u>Previous week</u>
Lawley	100%	87.89%
Wrekin	98.26%	98.26%
Caradoc	97.50%	97.14%
Stiperstones	98.95%	97.89%
Whole School	98.54%	95.62%

This week's Star Pupils!

This week's pupils of the week are:

Ercall – Wyn for showing independence during lunch times.

Lawley – Malachi – for making great choices this week. We are really proud of you!

Wrekin – Dylan Brett - For working hard and making excellent progress in English this term.

Caradoc - Jacob - for an amazing effort with your writing this week! Well done!!

Stiperstones - Logan for always demonstrating a super attitude towards all your learning and ensuring you give 100 percent at all times! Really well done!

Class News

Ercall

Our nursery children have begun lots of Christmas craft activities this week. We made Christmas folders, 2024 calendars and cards for the children to take home.



During our literacy sessions we have been retelling the story of the three little pigs which the children have been animated with. We created a role play house for the children to use for their acting of the big bad wolf and the little pigs.

In provision we have been thinking about the true meaning of Christmas. The children built a stable for baby Jesus using wooden blocks and straw.

To help develop our fine motor skills, we all helped to decorate a big Christmas tree using pom poms and tweezers!

Well done Ercall, a super week.



Nursery parents please join us on Thursday 14th December for our Nursery Carol Concert at 9:30am in the village hall.

Best wishes, Mrs Butler and the Nursery team.

Lawley

Thank you for all of our grown ups for joining us this morning. We had a fantastic time sharing our love of reading with so many of you.

The children shared their reading books, enjoyed a range of different books and book related activities. We also received a special gift from our cheeky class elf.

We would also like to say a massive thank you to all the parents who have supported our forest school sessions over the Autumn Term. This week is our final week in the forest before the Christmas break.



Mrs Rawsthorne and Mrs Arblaster



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Wrekin

'We went to the pantomime this week. We had to go on the coach with our partners and we were sat right at the back so we could see everything. We had sweets at the break. There was a really big spider and it was brilliant. There was a dog called Binbags and he was Badges pet'

By Ferne, Edward and Autumn

This week's TT Rockstar champions were Year 1, with Ferne being the top scorer overall. We are really enjoying the competitive edge of our weekly tournaments and have also been using Hit the Button to develop our quick numeracy skills.

Miss Jones and Mrs Jones

Caradoc

In English this week Caradoc have been writing letters in character based on our story Winter's Child. The children were tasked to explain the actions of the character and come to a conclusion, whilst including lots of interesting writing features such as similes, expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials. We are really getting the hang of these. Then they designed their own season character in preparation for writing their own stories next week.

In DT this week, the children conducted some 'Market Research' with other children in school about what makes a good biscuit, and of course there was some tasting involved too!

Some children were involved in a dodge ball competition at the Maurice Chandler this week. They did spectacularly well and came 4th out of 9 teams!! Well done to all involved!!

Miss McLaughlin, Mrs Burns and Mrs Ritchings

Stiperstones

We have enjoyed having Miss Arthur teach us lots this week and are all feeling sad that next week will be her final week with her. We have enjoyed reaching the end of the story 'The Lost Happy Endings' and through this being able to show off our acting skills through the use of freeze framing and role play. We have then been able to transfer these ideas into written work demonstrating our knowledge of the main characters in the story and how they have acted. Next week we will have a go at writing our own versions!

We are also excited to be near the end of our guided reading text of Hansel and Gretel. We made predictions at the start to see how we thought this version of the story would go. We based our predictions of illustrations from throughout the book. We can't wait to see if anyone was correct or not!

Mrs Baillie, Miss Arthur and Miss Yeomans





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other news

Young Voices Choir Club

Just to remind you all that there will be no Young Voices Choir Club on **Thursday 14th of December**. We will meet again in the new year on January 4th, 11th and 18th. Thank you to everyone who has accepted the email invitation to sign into the Young Voices Music Room. This gives access to all the song backing tracks, lyrics and dance videos. We hope you are enjoying sharing them all with your family.

Finally, a big well done to all the children at Young Voices Choir Club for their enthusiasm and hard work learning all our songs. We are looking forward to our trip to Birmingham on January 25th.

Sports News

Well done to those children who have represented our school this week at different sporting events. On Thursday a group of Year 3, 4, and 5 pupils attended the Maurice Chandler to compete in a dodgeball competition. There were many other schools competing, so the morning was split into different heats and on different pitches, resulting in quarter and semi-finals. Both our teams played amazingly well in a series of exciting matches which then led to our Year 5 pupils reaching the quarter finals and our Year 3 and 4 team finishing the morning in fourth place! These are amazing results. Both Mrs Burns and Mrs Ritchings were really proud of how well the children behaved throughout the morning and both agreed that they were super representatives of Moreton Say.



Another group travelled across to Whitchurch Junior School to take part in a High 5 netball tournament. High 5 netball means that the pupils had to rotate in the different positions in each match, so they need to show ability in a range of positions from goal-keeper, to goal shooter, to centre. The children all demonstrated this ability fantastically well. Mrs Burns attended the morning with the group and said that once again, they children showed great attitude and behaviour including great sportsmanship.



Well done to both teams!

Mrs Baillie

Lunchtimes

It was lovely to speak without lunchtime supervisor Mrs Hayward this week , who was keen to tell me juts how helpful some of our older pupils are at lunchtimes in the lunch hall. There is no expectation for children to help out during their lunchbreak but our pupils often volunteer to help out, doing little jobs such as opening wrappers for the younger ones, pouring drinks and helping the pupils take their dinner trays away. This is a huge help to Mrs Hayward and she wanted all the children to know how fantastic they all are.

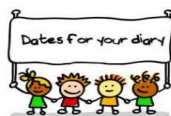
So a big thank you to Harrison, Beau, Jess, Izzy G, Owen, April, Lu, Pheobe B, Ophelia, Pheobie S, and Logan.



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Moreton Say Diary Dates 2022 – 2023



DECEMBER

Monday 11th December – PTFA Elves Pocket Money Workshop

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Performance in Clive Hall, 2.00pm

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Performance in Clive Hall, 6.00pm

Thursday 14th December – Nursery Carol Concert in Clive Hall, 9.30am

Thursday 14th December – Christmas Performance in Clive Hall, 2.00pm

Monday 18th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 18th December – Christmas Dinner Day

Tuesday 19th December – Christmas Church Service, 9.30am

Tuesday 19th December – Break up for Christmas

JANUARY

Wednesday 3rd January – PD Day

Thursday 4th January – Start of Spring Term

Tuesday 9th January – Meet the SENDCo Coffee Afternoon, 2.00pm

Wednesday 24th January – Caradoc Class Stone Age Day

Thursday 25th January – Young Voices

and finally....

Clive Hall

Please find below contact details for the hire of Clive Hall:

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Winter Wonderland Disco

What a great time was had by all at the disco this year. The DJ was wacky, fun, and energetic and the children danced the night away! There was snow to welcome the guests, a colouring room, and even therapeutic bubble wrap popping.

Many thanks to those parents and children who helped with set-up, food service, and clean-up on the day. Special thanks to Caroline for the wonderful food as always and to Fordhall for their donation of sausages.



Wreath Making Fundraiser

A lovely evening was had Thursday with Christmas music, mulled wine and mince pies! We had 16 wreath makers who all constructed their own unique and beautiful creations! Lucy had been very enthusiastic with the foliage so if you would like a DIY kit put together please let us know.



Upcoming Events

Next week is a busy one for us as there will be a pocket money elf market on Monday 11 December which gives the children an opportunity to shop for parents and carers and wrap their gifts. We'll also be at the Christmas Nativity Performances with refreshments and raffle tickets. There are 14 hampers/prizes to be won (thanks to your generous donations) and the drawing will take place on Thursday after the final performance.

We hope that you have a good weekend and we are looking forward to all we have planned next week.



The PTA team

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Moreton Say Primary School
Parent and Teacher Association



Monday 11th December

How it works:

The PTA will be running a pocket money pop-up shop in school for the holidays. The children will have an opportunity to buy small gifts for their parents and carers. Volunteers will be available to help with wrapping the gifts up ready to place under the tree.

Items will range in price from 50p - £1



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For families with pre-school children

1. Animal actions  <u>Animal Actions</u>	2. Yoga time  <u>Cosmic Kids</u>	3. Rag Dolly Anna  <u>Rag Dolly Anna</u>	4. Crab capers  <u>Crab Capers</u>
5. Ball barrier  <u>Ball Barrier</u>	6. Balloon play  <u>Balloon Play</u>	7. Playworld  <u>Playworld</u>	8. Delivery wow!  <u>Dazzling Deliveries</u>
9. Balancing  <u>My little friend</u>	10. Musical statues  <u>Musical statues</u>	11. Very well family  <u>Very well family stretches</u>	12. Hot potato  <u>Early Movers Hot Potato</u>
13. Jumping jacks  <u>Jumping Jacks</u>	14. Log rolling  <u>Early Movers Log Rolling</u>	15. Target games  <u>Target games</u>	16. Scarf catch  <u>Early Movers Scarf Catch</u>

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For families with primary-age children

1. Active kids  Active Kids Move Crew	2. Tree explorer  Tree explorer	3. Family fit  Couch to Family Fit	4. Cosmic kids  Cosmic Kids
5. Scavenger hunt  Scavenger Hunt	6. Let's dine  Let's dine	7. Origami fun  Origami fun	8. Disney dances  Disney Dance-along
9. Forest bathing  Forest Bathing	10. Skipping man  Dan the Skipping Man	11. Den building  Den building	12. Sugar swaps  Change 4 Life Sugar Swaps
13. Fun athletics  Funetics	14. Get kids moving  Get Kids Moving	15. Cook together  Cook Together	16. Colouring fun  Mindful colouring
17. Our landscapes  Learning & landscapes	18. Ready set ride  Ready Set Ride	19. Take a walk  Take a walk	20. Listening  The Listening Game

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Hello from the **Family Information Service** (FIS for short).
 Our job is to give you the info and resources you need to help your family life run a little smoother. We can help with:

- Childcare - finding it and advice on paying for it
- Local baby and toddler groups
- Events, activities, and fun things to do in the school holidays,
- Support for parents and families

We cover everything and anything to do with family life, so if you have a question, chances are we'll be able to help, or if we can't, we'll point you in the direction of someone who can.

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Exciting News!

Over December and Early January, we're hosting skips at Morrisons, Market Drayton to help **YOU** recycle your Cardboard Waste & Christmas Trees!

Availability & Waste:

Dec 6th	-	1 x Cardboard
Dec 13th	-	1 x Cardboard
Dec 20th	-	1 x Cardboard
Dec 27th	-	1 x Cardboard & 1 x Christmas Trees
Jan 6th	-	1 x Cardboard & 1 x Christmas Trees

There will be one skip available for cardboard and another available for the Christmas Trees.

As part of our commitment to the community, a percentage will be donated to the Market Drayton food bank this season, spreading joy to those in need.

Cardboard Skip



Tree Skip



T&Cs: These skips are for REAL Christmas trees only, so let's work together to make the holiday season eco-friendly and festive! However, we can recycle your plastic Christmas Tree. Please get in touch to arrange!