

Moulton Primary School Newsletter

Friday 16th January 2026



Dear parents and carers,

It's been a busy and successful week in school. In our Friday family assemblies, the children have been reminded of our important school rules:

- ✓ Be ready
- ✓ Be respectful
- ✓ Be safe

We have started the new term by revisiting some of our expectations for being the best that we can be. Children in their lessons have been working hard to put this into action and I have noticed children showing wonderful manners in the corridors and on the playground.

As part of this, children have been reminded of our systems for when they need support to put things right. We have a poster in every classroom to remind them of this.

We will be continuing to revisit aspects of our behaviour curriculum over the coming weeks so that every child has the opportunity to succeed.

	Your adult will remind you of the expectations.
	Your adult will suggest a change to help you.
	You will be given some reflection time.
	You will have some time to put it right and improve.
	Your teacher will talk to your adults at home.
	Your Head of Year will come to help you.

Parent Meetings

Our next round of parent meetings will take place on **Wednesday 11th** and **Wednesday 18th March**. Further information will be sent out to you by Parentmail in the coming weeks so that you can book your appointment.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child, please make contact with your child's class teacher. You can organise a time to speak with them or send a message via our school office, by calling 01604 643061 or emailing office@moultonprimaryschool.co.uk. Teachers will aim to respond to any queries or questions within a couple of days.

If your concern persists or you wish to escalate this further, please make contact with your child's Head of Year via the school office, who will arrange a phone call or a meeting. Please see below a reminder of our Heads of Year:

Year Group	Head of Year
EYFS	Mrs Lochridge

1 & 2	Mrs Johnson
3	Mr McAvoy
4	Mr Johnson
5	Mr Chalmers
6	Miss Swan

Have a wonderful weekend,

Miss Darby

Deputy Headteacher

Classroom News

Year 2

Over the past two weeks the children have been learning about the human and physical features of London and Kenya. The children have learnt about the similarities and differences between the different countries. They have even been able to compare their own morning routine with both an urban and rural child who lives in Kenya. The children saw lots of similarities within their morning routines but were amazed at how far some rural children have to travel to get to school! The children have loved learning about this and have asked some amazing questions throughout.

Year 4

This week in Year 4 maths, we have been exploring measuring and recording data. We began by exploring types of data: discrete (gathered in one go) and continuous (gathered over time). The children discovered that this can be presented using bar charts, line graphs and pictograms. They started by exploring all the different facts that can be learned by 'reading' the graph, then progressed on to answer specific questions about the charts. Finally, we gathered our own data by rolling dice and hopping on the spot before we accurately drew our own colourful examples of a bar chart and a line graph



The School News



BOXES OF HOPE!



Dear Parents,

This week, Moulton Primary School welcomed Chris from the Hope Centre. As you may know, the Hope Centre in Northampton supports individuals facing homelessness and related hardships, including addiction, mental health issues, and overall wellbeing. In addition to providing practical assistance, their holistic approach focuses on empowering people to help themselves. They also engage with the local community, including schools, through projects aimed at raising awareness and facilitating early intervention.

The children have been designing and creating their own money boxes, which you will no doubt see when they proudly bring them home over the next couple of weeks! We hope this initiative will encourage them to fundraise and engage with the concept of homelessness, fostering conversations and interactions at home and within their communities.

We kindly ask that children bring their money boxes and any raised funds back to school during the week commencing 23rd February. We will tally the total amount raised and ensure that parents are informed of the overall collection! The funds raised will contribute to securing a larger facility, enabling the Hope Centre to support a greater number of individuals in the homeless community in Northampton.

We truly appreciate your support for this cause that is close to our hearts! You will find additional information on our Learning Hub (see QR code below), but if you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.



Kind regards
Harriet & Jodie
The Wild Tribe



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The Hope Centre

On Monday, Chris from the Hope Centre spoke to the children during assembly about the work they do and introduced the Boxes of Hope initiative. He brought in over 600 blank money boxes for the children to design themselves. Chris demonstrated how to construct the boxes and shared some creative ideas with the children.

Many of the children have already been busy creating and personalising their boxes, which look fantastic. Over the next two weeks, the children will have the opportunity to discuss the issues that the Hope Centre supports in class and finish decorating their boxes before taking them home.

It would be wonderful if the children could gather any donations for this worthwhile cause and fill their money boxes before returning them to school. Any contributions you could spare would be greatly appreciated, and all money boxes can start coming back into school during the week beginning Monday, 23rd February. Chris will return to school on 2nd March to speak to the children and collect your donations. I am sure you would agree that this is a great cause for Moulton Primary School to participate in.



If you have any questions, please contact Mr S Brazier.

Dates in the diary

DATE	YEAR GROUP	EVENT	TIME
20th January	Year 5	School Trip - National Space Centre	8.50am - 4pm
26th January	4, 5 & 6	Young Voices	Arrive to school at 8.40am – Collect from school 10-10.30pm
29th January	Year 1	Dinosaur Workshop	Normal School Hours
6th February	Year 2	Visitor Workshop	Normal School Hours
10th February		Safer Internet Day	Normal School Hours
12th February	Whole School	Last Day Of Term	Normal School Hours
13th February		Teacher Training Day	School Closed
11th March	Whole School	Parents Meeting	3.40 - 6.30pm
18th March	Whole School	Parents Meeting	
23rd April	Whole School	Class photos	Normal School Hours
27th April	Spencer Family	Maths Morning	8.30 - 9.15am
28th April	Tull Family	Maths Morning	8.30 - 9.15am

29th April	Crick Family	Maths Morning	8.30 - 9.15am
11th May - 13th May	Year 4	Residential	TBC
11th - 14th May	Year 6	SATs	Normal School Hours
1st June - 5th June	Year 6	PGL	TBC
15th June	Crick Family	Maths Morning	8.30 - 9.15am
16th June	Spencer Family	Maths Morning	8.30 - 9.15am
17th June	Tull Family	Maths Morning	8.30 - 9.15am
17th June	Year 5	Workshop - Past Productions	Normal School Hours

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about DIGITAL DEVICES & WELLBEING

Children aged 7 to 14 now spend roughly 3 to 5 hours a day on phones, tablets, consoles, and computers. That much screen time has parents and educators worried – not just about the hours logged, but about online safety and the knock-on effects on mental health. This guide brings together practical, expert-backed strategies so adults can nurture healthier digital habits and help young people thrive both on and offline.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SLEEP DISRUPTION

Excessive screen time, especially before bed, can interfere with melatonin production and delay sleep onset. Children may struggle to concentrate or regulate emotions due to poor sleep hygiene linked to late-night device use.

ONLINE PEER PRESSURE

Social media platforms expose children to unrealistic standards and peer validation loops. Likes, comments, and follower counts can influence self-worth and lead to anxiety or risky behaviour to gain approval.

CYBERBULLYING EXPOSURE

Children may encounter bullying through messaging apps, games, or social media. This can be persistent and anonymous, making it harder to detect. Victims often feel isolated and reluctant to report incidents.

REDUCED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Time spent on screens often replaces outdoor play and physical activity. This sedentary lifestyle can contribute to obesity, poor posture, and reduced cardiovascular health.

EMOTIONAL DYSREGULATION

Fast-paced digital content can overstimulate young brains. Children may become irritable, impatient, or struggle with boredom and emotional control when not engaged with screens.

PRIVACY AND SAFETY RISKS

Children may unknowingly share personal information or interact with strangers online. Without guidance, they may not understand the long-term consequences of digital footprints or unsafe online behaviour.

Advice for Parents & Educators

SET CLEAR BOUNDARIES

Establish screen-time limits and device-free zones, e.g. classrooms and dinner tables. Use parental controls and co-create a digital use agreement with children to encourage accountability. Trying a visual schedule or timer app can help children understand and stick to limits.

MODEL HEALTHY HABITS

Children mirror adult behaviour. Demonstrate balanced device use, take regular screen breaks, and prioritise face-to-face interactions to reinforce positive behaviour. Making a habit of putting your phone away during meals and conversations can show that real-life interactions come first.

ENCOURAGE OPEN DIALOGUE

Create a safe space for children to talk about their online experiences. Ask open-ended questions like, "What did you enjoy online today?" to build trust and awareness. Try setting aside 10 minutes each day for a digital check-in where children can share what they've seen or done online.

PROMOTE DIGITAL LITERACY

Teach children how to evaluate online content, recognise misinformation, and understand privacy settings. Empower them to think critically and act responsibly in digital spaces. You could use real-life examples from the news or social media to help children practise spotting fake information.

Meet Our Expert

Adam Gillett is Associate Vice Principal for Personal Development at Penistone Grammar School and works on a secondment one day a week for Minds Ahead, which works with schools on improving their mental health provision.



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OUR CAMP VENUES

BLISWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Blisworth Primary School, Courteenhall Road, NN7 3DD

Times: 9am – 4pm, Kids Club 8am – 6pm

Prices: Full Day from £25 Half day from £15

Kids Club Extended Day (8am – 6pm) £40

Dates: Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026

Multi Sports, Arts & Crafts, Kids Club

BROOKE HILL ACADEMY

Brooke Hill Academy, Brooke Road, Oakham, LE15 6HQ

Times: 9am – 4pm

Prices: Full Day £27 Half day £17

Dates: Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026

Rhino Camp

CLIPSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Clipston Primary School, Market Harborough LE16 9RU

Times: 9am – 4pm

Prices: Full Day £27 Half day £17

Dates: Monday 16th – Friday 20th and Monday 23rd February 2026

Rhino Camp

HANSLOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Hanslope Primary School, Long Street Road, MK19 7BL

Times: 9am – 4pm

Prices: Full Day £25 Half day £15 extra hour (4–5pm) £5

Dates: Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026

Football Camp

PATTISHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Pattishall Primary School, School Rd, Pattishall, NN12 8NE

Times: 9am – 4pm

Prices: Full Day £27 Half day £17 extra hour (4–5pm) £5

Dates: Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026

Rhino Camp

WOOTTON PARK SCHOOL

Wootton Park School, Wootton Hall Park, NN4 0JA

Times: 9am – 4pm

Prices: Full Day from £25 Half day from £15

Dates: Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026

Arts & Crafts, Performing Arts and Inflatible Sports*

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FEBRUARY CAMP

MONDAY 16TH FEBRUARY - FRIDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 2026

Arts & Crafts | Kidz Club | Multi Sports | Performing Arts



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