

Moulton Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21st March 2025



Dear parents and carers,



We would just like to wish a massive good luck to our Year 4 Strictly Team who are competing this weekend. They have shown excellent teamwork and dedication in the lead up to this event and we can't wait to see them in action tomorrow.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Miss Jones

The Classroom News

Reception



In Early Years, the children have been learning about colour this week. We have continued to build on the excitement of Science Week and have been investigating rainbows. We have completed some science investigations of our own. We grew our own rainbows by colouring the ends of a paper towel and placing the towel between two cups of water. We were amazed to see the colour extend and complete the rainbow.

We also used skittles to make a rainbow by placing them around a plate and adding water. It created a beautiful rainbow pattern. We discussed the different colours we observed and what we know about these. We recognised that colours are all around us and colours can represent different things such as emotions as well as objects we associate with them. We discovered how colours can reflect our feelings through the text 'The Colour Monster' in Drawing Club and produced some incredible pieces of writing. We also enjoyed creating various pieces of art work using the colours from the rainbow.



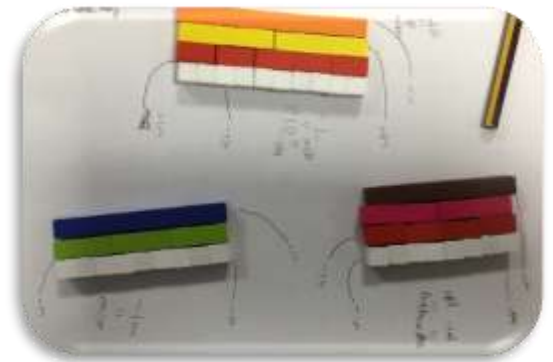
We have had a fabulous week. We wonder what next week will bring!



Year 3

Year 3 have been very resilient and resourceful in their maths learning this week! We have been tackling the tricky topic of fractions by identifying unit and non-unit fractions, comparing and ordering fractions and even finding equivalent fractions! We have been using cuisenaire rods to help us find fractions that are equal to one another and the children have thoroughly impressed us with their teamwork and resourcefulness!

We also thoroughly enjoyed creating our rainforest dioramas as part of our Science Week learning, where we represented how different plants have adapted using a variety of materials!



The School News

Get set... Moulton Primary School will be taking part again in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel 2025 the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 24th March – 4th Apr. It's free and we would love everyone to be involved.

Last year we had **58%** of all of our children choosing an active way of travelling to school, making 3227 journeys to school during the 2 weeks. Let us try and raise that number this year.



What do you need to do?

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, use a wheelchair, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event. However, we are unable to store any bikes or scooters at school so if your child wishes to use one of these methods then you will need to take it back home with you.

Including everyone (Park and Walk or Wheel)

We want to make sure that everyone can get involved in the Big Walk and Wheel. We know it may be more difficult for some pupils to take part than others as you may live too far away to walk, wheel scoot or cycle for the whole journey to school.

There are ways that you can support your child to become a little more active such as considering the 'Park and Walk' option and trying to make small changes to your daily drop-off and pick-up routines, such as parking a little further from school and walking part of the way (at least 10 minutes of active travel) or targeting specific days when you can take part.

Why we are taking part

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routines which is important for their physical health and mental well-being.

Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. [A 2021 YouGov study](#) showed nearly half of UK children worry about air pollution near their school, and thought active travel was the best way to bring down these pollution levels.

Plus, there are some great prizes to be won every day if we get enough of our pupils to participate!

Useful resources

To help you prepare, Sustrans has developed a handy free guide to walking, cycling or scooting to school. It is packed with advice to help you have a hassle-free journey to school.

Download your free family guide using this link: <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/sign-up-to-receive-your-free-school-run-guide/>

For more information about the event go to www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk. Enjoy the challenge!

FOMPS

Asda Cashpot

A big thank you to everyone who signed up for the Asda cashpot last year, together we raised a lovely £124.34 for school fundraising all at no extra cost to you!



Easyfundraising

Did you know you can raise FREE donations for FOMPS when you shop online, just by signing up and shopping via Easyfundraising. Over 8,000 retailers will donate, including all the big names like John Lewis & Partners, BT, Expedia, Argos, ASOS, Just Eat, Uswitch and many more! Please support us: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/moultonprimary/>

It is easy to sign up and if you download the donation reminder it prompts you each time you shop with one of the retailers! If you are looking at booking your family holiday, TUI have a special easyfundraising offer running until 31/3/25 where they will donate £100 to FOMPS for each holiday booked - all at no extra cost to you!

Happy's Circus

Don't forget that the circus tickets are still for sale at the Early Bird price of £10 per ticket (under 2s are free). Early Bird price is only until 30/3/25, after this tickets will be £11.50 each. This will be a great event with a fab circus! Check out their promo video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ipGpGKTIEI>

Tickets available from : <https://teamfomps.sumupstore.com/product/happy-s-circus-tickets>



Dates in the Diary

DATE	YEAR GROUP	EVENT	TIME
22nd March	Year 4 Strictly Team	Strictly Juniors	1.30pm
24th March	Year 6 (Selected children)	Drama Workshop	8.30am arrival. Pick up normal time
2nd April	Year 4	Viking Visitor	Normal School Hours
4th April	Whole School	School Closes	Normal School Hours
22nd April	Whole School	School Re-Opens	Normal School Hours
24th April	Year 5	Moulton College trip	Normal School Hours
1st May	Year 5	School Trip - National Space Centre	Normal School Hours
2nd May		FOMPS Happy Circus	6:00 PM
7th May	Year 1	Woburn Safari Park	8.40am - 4pm
12th May	Year 2	Storytelling Session	2.45 - 3pm
12th - 14th May	Year 4	Residential	
12th May - 15th May	Year 6	SATs Week	Normal School Hours
14th May	EYFS	Storytelling Session	2.45 - 3pm
23rd May	Whole School	School Closes	Normal School Hours
2nd June	Whole School	School Closed - Teacher Training Day	
2nd June - 6th June	Year 6	PGL	TBC
3rd June	Whole School	School Re-Opens	Normal School Hours
5th June	Year 1	Storytelling Session	2.45 - 3pm
12th June	Year 5	Workshop - Past Productions	Normal School Hours
3rd July	Year 2	Irchester Country Park school trip	Normal School Hours
22nd July	Whole School	School Closes	Normal School Hours



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What parents need to know about AGE RATINGS



If you have children, it is understandable to have concerns about the films and TV shows they watch, as well as the games they play. In this guide, we take a look at the two official ways you can assess if a particular title is suitable for your child. Both the BBFC and PEGI have search facilities on their websites that can be used to look up individual titles so you can check their ratings.



RATINGS FOR FILMS, TV & MUSIC VIDEOS

Since 1912, the BBFC (British Board of Film Classification) has informed UK residents of the age suitability of films, TV and music videos - providing parents with the information needed to assess whether or not it is appropriate for their child's age. This applies to cinema releases, DVDs and streaming video services such as Netflix.

WHAT ARE THE BBFC RATINGS?

BBFC ratings are broken down into seven age categories:

Universal, suitable for all ages	Parental Guidance required	Suitable for people aged 12 and over	Suitable for people aged 12 and over, anyone younger must be accompanied by an adult
Suitable for people aged 15 and over	Suitable for people aged 18 and over	Adult content only available in specially licenced cinemas and specialist retailers	

WHAT ELSE CAN BBFC REVEAL?

Accompanied with the age suitability rating, BBFC also provide an additional warning regarding the content and what to expect, such as swearing, sexual content, violence and anything you may consider to be inappropriate for your child. In addition to this, the content is also rated in three levels: frequent, mild or strong.

LIMITATIONS OF BBFC RATINGS

It's important to note that there is no obligation on streaming video services to use or display BBFC ratings. Due to this, we advise that you check the rating online before your child streams the content. It may also be a good idea to watch the content first yourself or discuss it with other parents to help you decide whether or not it is suitable for your child.

Source: www.bbfco.uk

RATINGS FOR GAMES

PEGI (Pan European Game Information) is a content rating system that ensures all video games are labelled with a minimum age recommendation. These age recommendations are based on the types of content featured within a game. With each game, PEGI also provide a content descriptor that indicates the potential issues and concerns, including sex, violence, bad language and drugs.

WHAT ARE THE PEGI RATINGS?

PEGI ratings are split into age restriction and content descriptors. Additional 'content descriptors' help parents and children to understand the type of content featured within a particular game, including sex, fear, bad language, discrimination, gambling, drugs, violence, and in-game purchases. In combination, the two different ratings can provide a good level of information to help make informed decisions regarding the suitability for your child.

PEGI age ratings are broken down into five categories:

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PEGI content descriptors are broken down into eight categories:



LIMITATIONS OF PEGI RATINGS

It's possible for young people to buy games online without a required proof of age, opening them up to age-inappropriate content without you knowing. We advise that you regularly monitor your child's gaming activities and maintain a honest and healthy dialogue with them about the online world.

PARENTAL CONTROLS

It is a good idea to put in place parental controls for all online accounts which your child may use to purchase or download online games e.g. The App Store, Google Play Store, PlayStation Store and Microsoft Xbox Store etc.

Source: www.pegi.info

