

La Moye Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term has already started at 100 miles and hour! This half of term is always the busiest part of the year, with a whole host of exciting learning and events planned. Please see the updated Diary Dates grid that we have sent out with this newsletter.

This week we have our Year 6 production of Peter Pan, which the rest of the school thoroughly enjoyed watching this afternoon...the parents are in for a real treat! Next week, our Year 6 are also off on their residential trip...so a really exciting last half term for our oldest children.

Next week we also have our welcome evening for new Reception and Nursery parents- letters have already been shared with the information on this evening.

Woodland Design Competition

We had a successful time judging the entries for this competition just before half term. Chris and Siobhann (the designers) really enjoyed looking through the entries with our Eco Team. After a competitive and hard-fought judging process, we selected several winners and runners up...these will be announced in an assembly very soon. Chris and Siobhann have taken away the entries to study so that the final woodland design represents the best ideas from our entries.

End of Day Arrangements and Safeguarding

We have recently reviewed our start and end of day procedures.

Start of the Day:

- Please ensure children (especially Reception to Y4) are not in the playground unaccompanied before 8:25am as there are no staff members on duty. If we notice this, these children will be taken into Breakfast Club and parents contacted.
- Children must be dropped off in person at Breakfast Club, not dropped in the carpark.

End of the Day:

The end of day arrangements are more challenging., with 360 children safely departing within 15 minutes, and with a range of other complexities: clubs, childcare providers (Pathways and MiniMes), walking bus etc. It is essential that we keep communication clear and precise so teachers can fulfil their safeguarding responsibilities. Teachers will not release a child unless they are sure of this- as you will understand this is their more important task at the end of the school day.

- This means teachers will not be available for a catch up with parents during this time for more than a quick greeting or 'thumbs up'. Parents wanting a quick catch up will be asked to wait until all of the children have been dismissed, or to arrange an appointment for this.
- It is essential parents notify us (or indeed Pathways or MiniMes) of any changes to collection arrangements. We need to know if a different person is collecting or the planned arrangement has changed. This must happen before 2:45pm to allow time for the message to be relayed.

- The gate towards the Morrisons end of the playground will not be opened until 3pm, if at all. This is because on days we are short staffed it is safer for us to leave that gate locked than to risk it being unattended. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.
- Parents using Walking Bus must also notify us of changes to this. The 'bus' has been leaving later and later recently because not all parents have been notifying us of changes to plans, so the Walking Bus staff are spending time searching for children that have already been collected from class. This results in the children waiting for longer than needed in the library, and also delays staff attending after school meetings. If this continues to happen regularly, those children will no longer be eligible to use Walking Bus. The bus arrives at Les Creux at about 3:15, and it is expected that parents will be there to collect on time.

Staffing Update

We are sad to announce that Mr. Murphy will be leaving La Moye this term and moving on to a new role at Highlands College. Mr. Murphy has been a great asset to our school over the past seven years, as a brilliant teacher and of course our PE lead. He has ensured that our PE provision and extra-curricular sport have been impressive and successful, and we are so grateful to him for his dedication, care, and hard work. We wish him well in his new role. You will shortly see us advertise for a new teacher to replace Mr. Murphy. This person will hopefully start with us in January 2025.

We are also sad to announce that Miss Le Miere will also be leaving this term, and heading off to a new role teaching in Abu Dhabi. We will hugely miss Miss Le Miere's expertise in Early Years, and also as a Numbers Count teacher. What a huge difference she has made...and after a few years abroad, we hope she will be back!

Miss Wellman is on a Career Break at the moment in New Zealand...however, she has loved it so much that she has decided to remain there for a little longer, and so will not be returning to Jersey for a while.

As a result of these changes to staffing, we have now been able to retain both Miss Trigg and Miss Voyce, who will both join our permanent staff team, which we are delighted about.

We will be announcing class teachers for next year over the coming weeks in a separate letter.

Playground Equipment

You will have been sure to notice the main play equipment has been roped off. We are hoping that this will be replaced over the Summer or early next term as the current equipment is no longer safe to use. During this work, the matting will also be being replaced. Please ensure children stay away from this area whilst it is cordoned off.

Coming up!

PTA Summer Disco 27th June- Information on tickets to follow soon- helpers desperately needed!
Contact the PTA team for more information via Facebook or on email:

Sports Day 9th July- Information from Mr. Murphy to follow soon!

Celebrating Learning 12th July- Information to follow soon!

PTA Summer Fair 12th July- Information from the PTA soon- helpers needed!

Yours sincerely,



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Headteacher