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Dear families,

Welcome back. I hope you all had a restful half term and managed to enjoy some family time. This half term is always a very busy one with so many exciting opportunities planned for the children to celebrate the build up to Christmas.

#### Remembrance

Today we held a service of remembrance, focusing on the significance of the poppy and the work that the Royal British Legion do. Children shared work that they had been doing and the choir sang the songs that they will be performing on Sunday at the Cenotaph. Thank you to Mrs. Swift for coordinating the activities and for all of the donations from the poppy sale – I will inform you of our grand total in our next newsletter.

#### **Behaviour Pathway**

After a recent curriculum review carried out by our school improvement partner, it was highlighted how successful our new behaviour pathway in Year 6 has been. This will now be implemented across the school and has already been shared with pupils in an age appropriate way for their year group. This isn't a massive change in expectation, rather a system that is more consistent and clear for our pupils. Relationship development and positive reinforcement remains at the forefront of our approach to behaviour at Mossley. Our school rules clearly define the expected behaviours in our school – they are centered on what successful behaviour looks like:

Be kind and considerate Be honest Be resilient Be helpful Be respectful

However, this is just one piece of the puzzle. Positive reinforcement and sanctions are both necessary to support whole-school culture. It is important that there is clarity and consistency around what happens when misbehavior continues. The new pathway does use language such as 'amber' and 'red' behaviours. This does not mean that a 'traffic light system' has been reintroduced. Children's names **will not** be displayed publicly for negative behaviour. As part of the restorative process, if pupils demonstrate 'amber'









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or 'red' behaviours, then they will be expected to reflect on any misbehavior and how this could improve in the future, alongside a member of staff.

All of the elements discussed above are covered in greater detail in our behaviour policy which can be found on the school website.

As I am sure you'll all agree, maintaining a safe and positive environment for **all** of our pupils is of the upmost importance. Pupils who understand what both positive and negative behaviour looks like is an integral part to this.

## Year 3 & 4 Primary Dance Festival

Last night, our Year 3/4 dancers performed at Eaton Bank as part of the Primary Dance Festival. Their performance to 'Grease Lightning' was so impressive and they received many plaudits from the audience. Thank you to Miss Young, Mrs. Teagle and Mrs. Goodwin for taking ad preparing them.

## **Congleton in Bloom**

Our house captains, along with Mrs. Yarwood, attended the Congleton in Bloom awards evening this week. We were delighted to receive the William Dean Trust Award for the Wheelbarrow challenge. A huge thank you to Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Braisby for their input with this. We also received a certificate for our contribution to the community garden festival. Thank you to all involved – we are already planning the next entry!



# **Datastor Cup**

The year 5/6 football teams participated in the Datastor cup yesterday evening. The B team were outstanding and played fantastically well, only losing one game to the other Mossley team. They narrowly missed out the semi-finals by one point. The A team were impressive throughout the group stage and won the group and won their semi-final very convincingly. The team as a whole were incredible in the final and were very narrowly beaten. They should be very proud finishing as runners up. A huge well done to all the boys – you were all amazing and played some fantastic football.

# Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Tournament

Two teams participated in the Congleton tag rugby tournament recently. Both teams were fantastic and played some excellent rugby and demonstrated superb team work. Well done to both teams. Our A team were runners up and our B team finished were 4 <sup>th</sup>.

# Park Run

Come and join us at our next park run on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November. Not that we are competitive, but other local schools are now doing the Park Run and we would love to have a huge Mossley









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turn out! We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible there- 8.45am by the bear. Don't forget your adult and bar code.

Please remember that we are here to support you in any way that we can. I can be contacted during the school day on the school number, or by email at any time – <u>head@mossleyce.cheshire.sch.uk</u>

Thank you for your continued support.

**Helen Harrison** 





































Year 2 have been exploring what might live in our woodland habitat.





















Year three have been creating freeze frames based on dialogue between the characters in 'The Winter's Child'

























YEAR 4 HAVE ENJOYED GREATING POPPY ART WORK IN THE STYLE OF GEORGIA O'KEEFFE











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