Mossley C.E. Controlled Primary School

"They shall have life, life in all its fullness." (John 10:10)





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Mossley School Newsletter – September 2025

Dear Families,

It has been a really positive start to the new school year, and it has been wonderful to see how quickly the children have settled into their new classes. Over the past week, we have revisited *The Mossley Way*, shared expectations, and made sure everyone feels ready to learn and take part in all aspects of school life.

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PE Tops

We understand that some children have found the embroidered badge on our PE tops uncomfortable.

- Families now have the option to request a screen-printed badge instead.
- Please contact **DP Sportswear** directly if you would prefer this for your child.

PremAware Award

We are delighted to announce that **Mossley School has received the PremAware Award** from *The Smallest Things*, a UK charity supporting children born prematurely.

₩ Why this is special:

- Mossley is the first school in Congleton, and one of just over 100 schools nationally, to receive this award.
- This achievement was made possible with the support of Mossley parent Kate Harrigan, who volunteers with the charity.

Why This Matters

- Each year, around **50,000 babies** are born prematurely in the UK.
- While most do not have special educational needs, research shows that premature birth can affect learning, attention, and memory.
- Even children born only a few weeks early may face additional challenges.
- On average, two to three children in every classroom are born preterm—making early recognition and support
 especially important.

What We've Done

To achieve this award, our staff have:

- Completed specialist training: Preterm Birth Information for Educational Professionals, created by Professor Samantha Johnson and the PRISM Study Team.
- Learned **practical strategies** for supporting children in the classroom.
- Updated our registration form to include gestational age, so we can identify and support children born
 prematurely from the very start of their school journey.

How You Can Help

- The registration update applies to children joining us this September.
- If your child already attends Mossley and was **born prematurely**, we warmly invite you to share this information with us.
- This will help teachers better understand and support your child's learning journey.

W House Captains

We are delighted to announce our newly elected House Captains for this school year:

- House of Fire Jack G & Lyla T
- House of Air Evie A & Sullivan K
- House of Earth Seb TE & Harriet B
- House of Water Findlay M & Tabitha T

Each captain delivered an **excellent speech** to their house peers, and all were **elected** by their fellow house members.

A special mention goes to *all of the candidates*—the quality of the speeches, as well as the confidence and determination shown by everyone who stood for election, was outstanding.

We look forward to an exciting year of inter-house competitions, teamwork, and leadership!

We're looking forward to another successful, fun-filled autumn term. There are many exciting opportunities in just around the corner in our learning, sports, community events, and more.

Our priority is to support every child. Class teachers are available via Dojo, and I'm always happy to hear from you directly at head@mossleyce.cheshire.sch.uk

Let's work together to make this term memorable.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Helen Harrison