

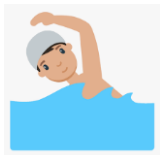
Staff:

Mrs Gittins- Class Teacher
Miss Farrington- TA
Mr McSorley- TA
Mrs Jones- TA (PM)
Miss Matthews- TA (AM)



PE/Swimming Days

The children will have PE every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. On this day, they should come to school in their PE kits which should consist of... black shorts/tracksuit bottoms and a white T shirt. Black PE hoodies can also be purchased to wear on PE days.



In February the children will begin swimming every Wednesday afternoon.

Earrings should be removed during swimming and PE days so that children can be safe in their lessons, if this is not possible then please provide them with plasters so that they can cover their earrings themselves.

Punctuality and attendance.

The doors to the classrooms will open at 8:45 (which is the official start of our school day), work will be provided by class teachers at this time and we would encourage all children to be in school and ready to work by 8:45 am.

We encourage children to attend school as often as possible and as a school we are working hard to improve attendance. This is particularly important in Year Six as the children are preparing for high school and it will be difficult for them to catch up on missed learning.



Water

Water is available in class for those children without a water bottle. I do encourage children to bring their own and refresh it every day with water or weak juice from home.

Topics

The first topic that the children will learn about is 'War and Peace'. This will include learning about WW1 and life during that time period. Other Topics that will be covered this year will be...

- Rivers
- Anglo Saxons
- Our Changing World
- Titanic



Reading and Homework

Children will be given time to read their reading books at school each day. They will also read with members of staff regularly at school but I would encourage your children to read at home (independently or with an adult) regularly as well. Children are welcome to bring their reading books home daily but must bring them back as they will need to access them every day.

Homework is optional at Moorside and can be provided on a Friday for any children that wish to practise their skills at home. Please just let us know in advance so that suitable homework can be provided. The children who do choose to take homework (and complete it satisfactorily) will be rewarded with a treat every Friday afternoon.

I am very much enjoying getting to know your children again. They have changed so much since Year Three and I am so impressed at their attitude towards learning and each other (so far). As I am sure you are aware, the children are now at the top of the school and so far they have stepped up to the raised expectations of Year Six admirably. Further information will come to you in due course regarding the exciting opportunities that this year can provide including SATs, Borwick, water fights and so much more.

As before, I am happy to speak with parents before or after school where possible so please approach me if you need to discuss anything at the start or end of the day. In addition to this my email address is rgittins@moorside-academy.co.uk

Emails sent to this address will be responded to during working hours only, Monday-Friday.

Thankyou in advanced for your continued support of the school.

Roz Gittins