



# NEWSLETTER

## Lent Term - Week 10

### Diary Dates - Week 11

#### Monday 24th March

- Senior production rehearsal day
- MPPA meeting, 8.30am

#### Tuesday 25th March

- Y8 HPV vaccinations
- Y8 Leavers' photo
- Senior production first dress rehearsal, 2pm

#### Wednesday 26th March

- Senior production second dress rehearsal, 10.30am
- 1st & 2nd Boys v Christ College Brecon (A)
- Colts A & B Boys v Winterfold (H)
- U11 Girls v Christ College Brecon (A)

#### Thursday 27th March

- Open the Book in Chapel & old Library, 8.50am
- Y6-8 Shrek Jr in the Henderson Hall, 6.30pm

#### Friday 28th March

- Y6-8 Shrek Jr in the Henderson Hall, 2pm
- Y6-8 Shrek Jr in the Henderson Hall, 6.30pm

#### Saturday 29th March

- MPPA Easter Egg Hunt

As I sit here to write and look out of my study window under the rich, evergreen skyline of Mortimer Forest, the newborn lambs are gallivanting around the top field in the afternoon sunshine and two nail-biting games of football take places on the front pitches. I find myself stopping to reflect on just how lucky we are. We must not underestimate the benefits of the environment in which we are lucky enough to allow our children to be raised.

The highlight of the week must surely be the Pre-Prep Spring Festival. As I said to the assembled parents, the confident and accomplished performances from all the children is a result of not only their talent but also the calm, compassionate and highly experienced staff who set achievable, yet demanding targets resulting in the very best performance and outcomes for the pupils.

At the end of last week's newsletter I suggested that some of you might be dusting off the lawn mowers. You may have seen my social media post this week as we took delivery of a shiny new ride on mower. This will help our dedicated estates team keep the grounds looking splendid. Give them a wave as they pass, it's been a long winter!

Finally, we delighted in welcoming several families to our Open Morning. The whole school community is so very proud of Moor Park and it is always a privilege to tour perspective parents around the site. Without fail they comment on the palpable human warmth they feel, the impressive facilities and of course, the beautiful setting.



Estate Manager Rob, delighted with his new lawnmower

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Value of the Week:  
Creativity

## Workers of the Week:

Year 4: Elanur B  
Year 5: George D

## Pre-Prep Awards:

Reception: Jack B  
Year 1: Zoe L  
Year 2: Thomas M  
Year 3: Freddie T



Year 3 sing Beyond the Sea at the Spring Showcase



Checking on the tadpoles

## IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK



Taking a walk to the stream

**Good Egg Award:**  
Gussie U, for always being full on fun and an all-round good egg.



Investigating capacity and volume



## Mindsetters of the Week:

- Critical Thinking:** Alex F for working brilliantly with criticism to perfect his line graph drawing.
- Creativity:** Leonora F for her planets mnemonic: Sometimes My Vegetarian Earthworm Maxims Jumps Under Neptune Problematically! Tom M for excellent ideas in his persuasive advert for Ludlow Castle.
- Independence:** Orla B for always pushing herself in her maths lessons.
- Curiosity:** Allegra S for fantastic questioning and enquiry about the fastest freefall.
- Resilience:** The Da Vinci Decathlon team for pushing beyond a very difficult first stage of the Ampleforth competition and working very hard to achieve 2nd place.
- Confidence:** Emilia Z for her confident approach to her exams feedback. Pia H for explaining clearly how you can use and apply your knowledge to help estimate capacity.



Reception wait patiently before their big moment walking down the catwalk at the Hope House fashion show.



Tick Tock pause on their sunny walk to check on Terry...



Year 2 pBuzz performance



Reception perform Marine Mammal Boogie



MATCHES & SPORT

**Netball**

- U13 A Girls won 33-15 v Lucton
- U13 B Girls won 23-3 v Lucton
- U11 A Girls won 12-1 v Christ College Brecon
- U11 A Girls lost 36-6 v Hereford Cathedral School

**Hockey**

- U9 Boys at The Downs Malvern
  - Lost 0-3 v The Elms
  - Won 6-3 v The Downs
- U8 Boys at The Downs Malvern
  - Won 1-0 v The Elms
  - Drew 0-0 v The Downs

**Football**

- 1st VII Boys v Elms Tournament
- Colts A drew 2-2 v Hereford Cathedral School
- Colts B won 4-0 v Hereford Cathedral School



# BOARDING

It has been another cracker on the wings this week. Our Italian friends have settled well and it's super having five boys on the wing with us. The sunlight has been pouring into the dorms and acts as the best sort of alarm, before the mash up of all our favourite songs blast through the school.

I had a rather lovely moment the other day, as I was sitting in the flat taking five, when two of our seniors merrily made their way to supper singing Shrek songs at the top of their lungs. Music is infectious. Before I knew it, I'd flung open the window and jolly well joined in. I hope you all have your tickets for the show. It's a hoot! This weekend promises to be a good one with matches, a bit of down time and time with friends new and old. Have a great weekend, team. Rest up, play hard and as always, have fun.

**Miss S**

## HPA FESTIVAL MEDAL WINNERS

### Speech and Drama:

**Year 5 Share a Poem – Huwie, Henry, George – Silver**  
**Year 6 Share a Poem – Orla, Phoebe – Silver**  
**Year 4 Reading – Elanur – Gold**  
**Year 4 Share a Poem – Maude, Abyssinia, Elanur – Silver**  
**Year 6 Reading – Orla – Silver**  
**Year 7 Reading – Lewis – Silver**  
**Year 8 Share a Poem – Rab, Iolanthe, Henry – Gold**  
**Year 7 Share a Poem – Lily, Bea, Connie – Silver**  
**Year 7 Share a Poem – Lewis, Johnnie – Bronze**  
**Year 7 Reading – Lily – Silver**  
**Year 4 Poetry – Elanur – Gold**  
**Year 4 Poetry – Amy-Rae – Silver**  
**Year 2 and Under Poetry – Ren – Bronze**  
**Year 4 Poetry – Skye – Gold**  
**Year 4 Poetry – Emmeline – Silver**  
**Year 8 and 9 Reading – Rab – Gold**  
**Year 6 Poetry – Orla – Gold**  
**Year 5 Reading – Edward – Gold**  
**Year 5 Reading – Teddy – Gold**  
**Year 5 Reading – Huwie – Silver**  
**Year 5 Reading – Amelia – Bronze**  
**Year 6 Sight-Reading – Steph – Gold**  
**Under 18 Improvisation – Oscar, Lily, Iolanthe, Rab, Henry – Silver**  
**Year 7 Sight-Reading – Lewis – Bronze**  
**Year 6 Improvisation – Orla, Phoebe, Bluebell, Ellie – Silver**  
**Year 5 Poetry Class C – Edward – Gold**  
**Year 5 Poetry Class B – Kit – Gold**  
**Year 5 Poetry Class B – Teddy – Silver**  
**Year 4 Sight-Reading – Elanur, Oscar – Bronze**  
**Year 5 Sight-Reading – Alex, Teddy – Silver**

### Music:

#### Singing

**Songs from Shows Yr 4 and below – Teddy – Gold**  
**Folk Song up to Yr 13 – Teddy – Gold**  
**Vocal Solos Boys Yr 5-9 – Teddy – Gold**  
**Vocal Solos Girls Yr 4 and under – Peggy – Silver**  
**Vocal Solos Girls Yr 4 and under – Pia – Silver**  
**Vocal Solos Girls Yr 4 and under – Ren – Gold**

#### Wind and Brass

**Pre-Grade 1 Woodwind – Delphine – Silver**  
**Pre-Grade 1 Woodwind – Oscar – Gold**  
**Elementary Recorder – Charlie – Gold**  
**Pre-Grade 1 Brass – Edward – Gold**

#### Piano

**Grade 1 – Cosmo – Bronze**  
**Grade 3 – Emmeline – Silver**  
**Grade 3 – Phoebe – Gold**

#### Strings

**Grade 3 Violin – Julia – Bronze**  
**Grade 2 Violin – Emmeline – Gold**  
**Grade 1 Violin – Rawdon – Gold**  
**Grade 1 Violin – Isabelle – Bronze**



NOTICE BOARD



**WE ARE HIRING!**  
Nursery Nurse

Tick Tock is expanding - and we're looking for an experienced Nursery Nurse to join our terrific team.

30 to 40 hours per week. Monday to Friday £11.44 to 11.67 per hour plus benefits.  
[www.moorpark.org.uk](http://www.moorpark.org.uk)

MOOR PARK

JOIN OUR MPPA  
**EASTER EGG HUNT**

SATURDAY  
29TH MARCH  
10AM - 12PM

£5 PER CHILD

Easter Egg Hunt starts from Henderson Hall. Arts & crafts, prizes, coffee & cake, and more!  
All welcome.

WIN A GIANT CUDDLY BEAR IN THE EASTER RAFFLE

TICKETS £2.50 EACH OR £10/STRIP

**BOARDING SUMMER TERM**

You will have received the boarding in advance letter from Monsieur this week. Summer Term is a really special time of year in the boarding house, with late summer evenings spent with friends outside, exploring, playing and relaxing.

Please contact Mr Dunham to discuss if you are interested in your child trying boarding this summer.

**SATURDAY SMASH**

We will be continuing our Mothering Sunday preparations and our Spring theme this week. We'll be doing some crafting as well playing and exploring outside.

Please sign your little people up in the usual way [office@moorpark.org.uk](mailto:office@moorpark.org.uk) and ensure they are dressed appropriately for the weather.

LAST CHANCE

**SHREK JR THE MUSICAL Y6-8 PRODUCTION**



Spring is in the air and so is the sound of laughter and song. On March 27th and 28th our incredibly talented Year 6 to Year 8 pupils are whisking us away to the magical land of Far Far Away with their production of Shrek Junior. Get ready to be charmed by ogres, princesses, and a whole host of fantastical characters as they remind us of the importance of friendship, acceptance and the joy of embracing our true selves. It's a heartwarming tale that's perfect for the whole family. Book your tickets today [HERE](#) and join us for an unforgettable evening.

**Parents of children in Pre-Prep and Year 4-5 are very welcome to come along and watch, the matinee on Friday at 2pm will be finished in time for the end of the school**