



Landau Forte Academy Moorhead Primary School – Autumn Term
HERE IS THE NEWS...

Dear Parents, Carers and Community of LFADM from Mrs McNeil - Interim Principal

I am writing to you to celebrate what has been a brilliant first half term here at **LFADM** and to set the scene looking forward to the next term ahead. As you all know, our children have returned to school with real resilience, riding on waves of positivity which has helped us all reconnect and return to learning in a brilliant way! Thank you for your support in ensuring our little people made a super start to a successful academic year which we know will be full of smiles, happiness and great progress.

We are now looking forward to a brilliant second half of our Autumn Term.

We have lots to tell you, some of which I'm sure you will know already if you keep up with our social media posts. Please do follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter and also, please keep checking our website where we send you regular updates and important information regarding the current situation around covid19 safety and any adaptations we make to our current systems and procedures.

I am delighted to inform you that our continued commitment to raising standards at Landau Forte Academy Moorhead have been recognised. An independent review recently carried out at the academy has confirmed the good progress being made in the journey through special measures. The independent review commissioned by the Trust was carried out by an impartial individual with more than 20 years' experience working as a school inspector. Their report highlighted the particularly good progress in Leadership and Management and in Early Years education, which has built on our previous announced significant improvement in Phonics.

I am also delighted by the support we have received from the Landau Forte Charitable Trust to ensure we are able to make this progress. The Trust will continue to offer this support as we move from strength to strength. Despite the challenges we have faced this year, I have been delighted by the attitude and commitment of our pupils at Landau Forte Academy Moorhead, and I know that we have a bright future ahead of us. Thank you to all our parents and carers all for your help – I have loved working with the Moorhead community and I am grateful for the support we have received from our families.

If you would like to find out more about this report, or you have any questions about the education we provide at Moorhead, please do contact me through the school office.

Cookies and Coffee Pit Stop - Thank you to Parents and Carers...



We were so impressed how everyone helped with our new socially distanced route in and out of school that we wanted to say *thank you!* We hope you enjoyed the sweet cookie treats and complimentary hot drinks... Your kind comments via *Studybugs* tells us you did! Hooray!

House Teams Launch - You voted for your favourite constellations

Our site manager Mr Walker told us about the House Teams that used to be in place here at school. We thought this was a great idea to reintroduce and so we asked you to vote for your favourite constellations that would become our House Teams. Over 60% of our families voted! Thank you! The big reveal was launched by Hagrid and Hermione and a team of Harry Potter enthusiasts among the staff much to the children's amusement (see our video on social media)... However our House Team theme is all about **STARS and constellations**... because we know all our children sparkle and shine! Look out for some exciting HOUSE TEAM COMPETITIONS and events coming this term.



LFADM take part in Derby Feste



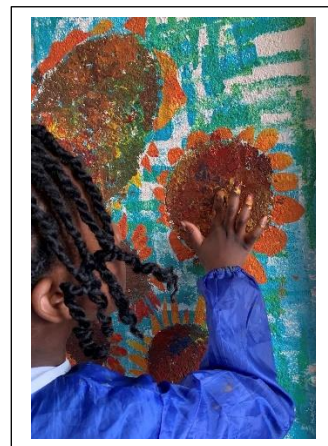
Our Artist in Residence, Theresa Kate Hempsall was invited to take part in the Annual **Derby Feste** and she chose our school to help her in creating an exciting art installation based on **reconnecting**... We were very proud to exhibit our whole school community weave project. Two of our completed weaves were displayed in the town square and some of you even travelled in to see how amazing they looked. We hope you were happy with the results! The works are now proudly displayed in our school foyer. Can you find your own ribbon?

Forest Schools at LFADM

We're sure you will have noticed the arrival of our four fantastic outdoor classrooms. Each phase has their own area and we will all be involved in our brand new Forest Schools Curriculum. This is in partnership with Rural Pride who are supporting and training our staff. Mr Sammons will become our Forest School Leader and will be working with all classes in creating some wonderful outdoor learning experiences.



Calm Classrooms and Curious Corridors



Our school is such a wonderful place to be and we are so lucky to have a large and spacious site to go about our learning business.

Last academic year we asked our children their thoughts about the learning spaces in and around school. The School Council then asked for more colourful corridors and so that is what we have done! Please look at our Facebook page to see the children starting off the project in lockdown and see our latest posts about where we are now.

We have even named our new classes after the artists we chose for the corridors. Everyone is very excited to be creating beautiful art work in the style of their artist and we are very proud of our work in this project so far... with much more to come!

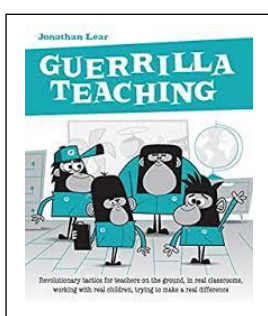
Enrichment Clubs



Thank you for signing up to our many enrichment opportunities after school. We are thrilled with the response and have enjoyed welcoming many children to take part in these exciting learning opportunities after school.

We will continue to run these sessions throughout the year. Please note – there may be a small waiting list for some of the activities. Please continue to sign up on Studybugs or contact Mrs Cooper in the office regarding any further enquiries. A full list of our enrichment opportunities is on our website and social media pages.

Our Curriculum and Learning



Our curriculum at Moorhead is based around the concepts of **Explore, Discover, Create**.

We follow the Guerrilla Teaching Curriculum devised by Jonathan Lear of St Catherine's RC School in Sheffield and have devised our own BIG questions and topics around these concepts. Please see our web site and social media pages where we have published our curriculum maps for each year group/phase. We look forward to creating our learning exhibitions at the end of this term to celebrate our knowledge and skills and sharing these with you!






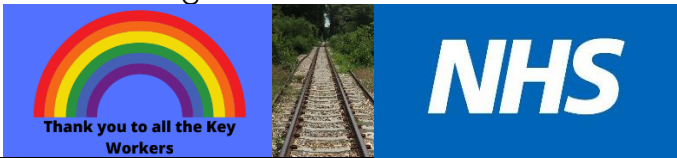


NEW STAFF! - Welcome to Mrs Emma Dibden

Inclusion and Attendance Manager

We are thrilled to welcome Mrs Emma Dibden to our Moorhead team as Inclusion and Attendance Manager. Mrs Dibden has a wealth of experience in SEND and Inclusion and will work as part of our Executive Leadership team. We look forward to her meeting you all and us working together to continue to form brilliant home school partnerships.

Dates for you Diary this half term

5.11.20	Special Dinner in school Day - BONFIRE NIGHT - Hot Dogs! Performance Poem day – House Team Competition	
9.11.20 + 10.11.20	Poppy Making Workshops in school for our Remembrance Service and display in the courtyard	
11.11.20	10.50am - Remembrance Service in School  Parent Consultations Telephone Appointments 3.30 – 6.00 * Parents will receive further information via School Office	*Due to the current Covid19 situation we will be conducting telephone only parent consultation appointments – thank you
13.11.20	CHILDREN IN NEED DAY - Dress up for Pudsey day  Parents will receive further information via School Office	Please wear something spotty, dotty or Pudsey-style!
16.11.20	ANTI BULLYING WEEK Monday 16 th is National Odd Socks Day 	Please come to school wearing odd socks!

16.11.20	Y5/6 Charles Dickens Day	
20.11.20	Job Swap Shop For A Day ... Children will be given the opportunity to apply for a job within school for a day... Job Advertisements to follow... The positions available for the day will be : HEAD TEACHER, OFFICE MANAGER, SITE MANAGER Have you got what it takes?	
23.11.20	CAREERS WEEK This week we will be investigating the world of work. EYFS and KS1 will be learning about Key Workers and their job roles and responsibilities. Y3/4 will be looking at the Rail Industry Y5/6 will be looking the NHS	If any parents or carer would like to volunteer to be interviewed by the children about their job in any of these areas we would be very grateful – please let your class teacher know – Thank you
		
30.11.20	FOREST SCHOOLS LAUNCH - Bring your wellies and warm clothes into school this week - more information to follow from the School Office	
		
1.12.20	Christmas Craft Day - Advent - TREE DECORATIONS	
		
7.12.20 ALL WEEK	HOUSE TEAM EVENT - CAROLS IN THE COURTYARD 8.11 – ORION 9.11 – PEGASUS 10.11 – PHOENIX 11.11- DELPHINUS More details to follow from the School Office	Learning Exhibitions will be on display all this week in and around school - more details to follow
14.12.20	Reception Christmas Party Day	Children can come to school dressed in suitable party clothes on their party day ...
15.12.20	Key Stage 1 Christmas Party Day	
16.12.20	CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY AND CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY Come to school in your special Christmas Jumper and enjoy a festive lunch ...	
17.12.20	Key Stage 2 Christmas Party Day	
18.12.20	Break up for Christmas holidays	