Dear Parents and Carers,

**Attendance**

Currently our attendance stands at 97%, which is our school target. It would be great to get it even higher for the end of the year. As you may be aware it is one of the elements identified by Ofsted that although the school is working on needs to improve. We need your help in order to do this. If you are having any issues bringing your child to school, please contact us and let us try to help.

**Wheelchair Day 15th June**

On the 15th June, Tariq Alsadon in Y5 Cedar will be spending the day in a wheelchair. He is aiming to raise money for Group B Strep Support. This is a group dedicated to raising money to help stop the Group B Streptococcus infection in babies. As many of you will be aware Tariq’s brother had this infection as a baby. It left him wheelchair bound. If you wish to donate to this charity his family have set up a Just Giving Page (https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/heidi-alsadon)

**Messages from our Pupil Parliament**

We are so grateful for all the toothbrush donations for our appeal to support Mercy Ships; our box is overflowing! We are collecting until half term when we will send the toothbrushes off on their way to Africa. Many thanks to everyone who has kindly contributed.

There will be a bake sale after school on Friday 26th May, the last Friday before the holidays. The sale is in support of the Golden Eagle, a bird which is no longer found in England, and has been organised by Charlotte in Y5. Charlotte would welcome any donations of buns on the day, and of course please remember your money for a tasty treat on your way home!

**Mosborough Primary Group**

Our wonderful Mosborough Primary Group have asked for me to remind you that even though the sun has not been shining non-stop recently, it is not too long until the Mosborough Primary Group Summer Fayre on Saturday 1st July! In preparation for this, they are currently collecting cuddly toys, quality unwanted gifts, games, books, toiletries and bottles of wine. Nearer to the time, they would also welcome donations of cakes and buns (bought or homemade). After half term more details about the world famous “Rainbow Raffle” will be sent home.

Judie has also asked whether any parents know of businesses who would be willing to donate a raffle prize or sponsor an attraction? Finally, if anybody is prepared to help in anyway, please email MPG (MPG@mosborough.sheffield.sch.uk) or leave your details with the school office and they will contact you.

**Sporting Success**

As you all know by now, I am not one to brag about how fantastic this school is; however I am going to make an exception on this occasion! We were awarded the Family of Schools ‘Sporting Values’ award for the second successive year. We followed this up with securing first, second and third place in the Westfield Badminton Festival. Not content with that we took first and second place at the Westfield Ball Skills Festival! We have also competed at the orienteering tournament; however, I told the children to take it easy on all the other schools and allow them to win something for a change!

Congratulations to all the children who took part. It is fantastic to win competitions, however what is really important to me is that we give the children the opportunity to compete and to do so in a sporting manner. We would not be able to do this without the help of supportive parents who are willing to take children to and from events and for the adults at school who give us so much of their time preparing and organising the children. Special mention to Miss Mossman; who has taken on the role of PE Leader and performed admirably.

**Owen Bradshaw**

It is great to hear that a former pupil of ours, Owen Bradshaw (brother of Libby) has been selected to represent England in an international event in Ireland in July. Owen is a competitive race walker and began competing at school competitions for Mosborough. We are all very proud of his achievements and wish him well in his first international event.

**Online Safety Newsletter**

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of our Online Safety newsletter. Please take the time to read it carefully there are some really very important pieces of advice for parents and some great websites to help you support your child.

I would like to draw parents’ attention to the use of social media. We have had a spate of issues that have stemmed from inappropriate chatter on apps such as Whats App. Please remember to check what your children are posting on these group chats. I would also remind you that these social media platforms should not be used by children of primary age.

**End of Term**

Please remember that Friday 26th May is our last day before half term.

**Whole School Closure Day**

Please remember that we are closed to pupils on Monday 5th June. We re-open on the 6th June.

**Next Academic Year**

Please accept my apologies for a very senior moment in sending out contradictory information about the start date for pupils next year. Our first day is Tuesday 5th September.

Yours

Martin Fallon