Yeo Moor Primary School

Family Newsletter

Friday 19th June 2026

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Reminder: Toys in School

We have recently noticed an increase in children bringing toys into school. We kindly ask that toys are **not** brought into school. This helps to prevent items from being lost or damaged and supports a calm and focused learning environment for all pupils.

Book Fair – Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone who supported the book fair this year. All books sold enable us to buy more books for our school and class libraries. We're looking forward to choosing some brand-new books for our school!

Virtual Balloon Race

Our balloon race finishes at 9am tomorrow. We've been busy putting together our 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes. Who will be our winners? Tune in at 9am to see who makes it across the line first: Environmentally friendly charity fundraising virtual Balloon Race

Foxes and Year 3 Visit Somerset Earth Science Centre

It was Foxes' turn to visit the amazing Somerset Earth Science Centre last week. They enjoyed learning about fossils and testing the permeability and hardness of different rocks. They also visited the working quarry nearby and found igneous rocks. This trip really brought their science learning this term to life. Wagtails also enjoyed their trip and Kingfishers are very much looking forward to their upcoming visit to the centre.

Summer Fair

We are excited to invite families to our **Summer Fair on Saturday 27th June, from 11am to 2pm**.
Please take a look at the poster in the noticeboard area for further details and follow the link provided to book your tickets. We hope to see you there!

Castle WOW Day

Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed an exciting Castle Wow Day with Classroom Adventurers. Thanks to the fantastic fundraising efforts of the PTA, we were able to cover most of the cost of the experience. Throughout the day, the children explored life in a castle through hands-on activities. They learnt about battles through role play, castle defences, medieval weapons and even practised sword-fighting techniques. The children had a wonderful time and are now looking forward to learning more about castles in class.

No staff or children were harmed during the workshop!

Choir Performance

What a fantastic treat it was to hear our choir perform in assembly this week! Despite the heat in the hall and those all-too-natural pre-performance nerves, they delivered a joyful and confident performance that made us all incredibly proud. A huge thank you to Katy is does such a fantastic job leading our choir.

Lloyds Bank Money Talk

This week, pupils participated in two interactive financial education workshops designed by the Lloyds Bank Academy to build real-world money skills and confidence.

- Staying Safe with Digital Money (Years 5 and 6): Delivered on 16th June, this vital session introduced older pupils to the mechanics of a cashless society. Students explored various modern payment methods and actively discussed how to identify online risks like phishing and scams. The session also highlighted the emotional and financial impact of digital fraud, empowering pupils to take personal responsibility for their online safety.
- Decisions, Decisions! (Years 3 and 4): Hosted on 17th June, this workshop focused on the foundational concepts of spending and saving. Younger pupils explored the core differences between "needs" and "wants". They also learned how peer influence affects financial choices and how to use basic financial tracking records to budget effectively for their goals.

Both educator-led sessions successfully combined practical safety tips with healthy behavioural attitudes toward money management.

We also received the most wonderful feedback from the facilitators: *It was lovely to meet you this morning, and what absolutely gorgeous children you have attending your schools. So well behaved and so great at interacting, it was a total pleasure to run the session with the children, I do hope that they enjoyed it as much as we did.*

Help Us Win £1,000 for New Books
Please consider taking a minute to nominate our school to win £1,000 to spend on new books for our school. Everyone who sends a nomination will be entered into a prize draw to win £100 themselves.
Please use this link to nominate us: Win £1,000 / €1,000 for your school's library! | National Book Tokens

A Huge Thank You!
We would like to extend a *huge* thank you to Miss Caines, Pete, our caretaker, and parents Meg and Dotty who gave up their time over the weekend to help transform our Year 1 outdoor area into a truly wonderful space for our children to enjoy.
Miss Caines kindly supported by transporting materials in her van, Pete worked hard to install new slats on the shed and special recognition must go to Meg and Dotty whose energy and dedication in building, planting and setting everything up made an enormous difference.
Thanks to your teamwork and generosity, the space has been completely revitalised and will be enjoyed by the children for a long time to come. We are incredibly grateful for your support - what a fantastic example of our school community coming together!

Shine Afterschool Club – A Huge Well Done!
We are delighted to share the results of Shine Afterschool Club's recent Ofsted inspection. A huge well done to Mrs King, Miss Webb and Maggie, who do an absolutely fantastic job going above and beyond to provide a high-quality, engaging and nurturing afterschool experience for our children. You can read the report here: Ofsted Report - Yeo Moor 2026.pdf

A Message From Miss Westwood
At the end of last term, I spent a weekend volunteering with Care4Calais. Myself and some other local teachers felt very proud to take over the items that had been so generously donated. We collected so much that we couldn't fit it all in one trip and are having to send the rest over separately!
We worked with the team there to organise the supplies in the warehouse (my main job was sorting a HUGE pile of tents!), prepare items for distribution and deliver urgent resources to the men, women and children living in the refugee camps in Calais. I met and chatted with lots of wonderful people and their communities were incredibly grateful for support offered by Care4Calais and those who donated.
Thank you so much to everyone who offered a donation - they really made a difference.
Miss Westwood 😊

Parking and Road Safety Reminder
Please take extra care when driving and parking around the school. The safety of our children, families and wider community is our top priority.
Please help us by:

- Driving slowly and remaining vigilant, especially at drop-off and pick-up times
- Parking considerately and legally
- Avoiding parking across or blocking residents' driveways
- Refraining from stopping in unsafe or restricted areas

We have also received reports about litter being left in the surrounding area. Please help us keep our community clean by taking any rubbish with you rather than discarding it from vehicles.
We value our positive relationships with our neighbours and appreciate your support in showing respect and consideration at all times.

Diary Dates

Term 6	
Week 3	
Friday 12th June	Parent/carer survey deadline
Week 4	
Tuesday 23rd June	Year 5 trip to We the Curious Year 3 rocks and fossils trip Reception Welcome Evening 6pm
Friday 26th June	School Photo Day
Saturday 27th June	Summer Fair 11am-2pm
Sunday 28th June	Year 6 Leavers' Party
Week 5	
Monday 29th June	Inset Day
Tuesday 30th June	Summer Reading Challenge Assembly
Friday 3rd July	Reports sent home

2025/2026

Term 6: Monday 1 June 2026 - Friday 17 July 2026
Inset: Monday 29 June 2026; Monday 20 and Tuesday 21 July 2026

Celebration Corner

Yeo Moor Learning Powers

We enjoyed celebrating the following children in our recent Celebration Assemblies:

Reception: Sinem, Darcey, Leo K and Eva

Year 1: Elliana, Freddie, Toby, Olsen and Aubrey

Year 2: Rowan, Lexi, Esme and Arthur

Year 3: Arya, Johnny, Hiru and Leo

Year 4: Eli, Amara, Evelyn and Atharva

Year 5: Elliot, Flynn, Jaxson and Elsie

Year 6: Freddie and Elvis and a special shoutout to all of Year 6 who had some amazing feedback following their transition session at Clevedon Secondary school. Clevedon Secondary staff shared how impressed they were with Year 6's listening, standing to speak, vocabulary and how articulate they were when they shared ideas. The English teacher was also incredibly impressed with their writing, comprehension and creativity.

A huge well done to our Mini Police who graduated and were awarded their certificates in last week's Celebration Assembly. A special well done to Ralph and Evaniya who won the design a car competition.

Gold Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have all recently received gold awards. If your child's name doesn't appear below, it will be included in the next edition.

Minnows: Max, Harrison and Adiyat

Tadpoles: Elijah

Moorhens: Griffin

Otters: Toms, Atharva, Payson, Oona and Lea

Ducks: Jesse, and Thea

Geese: Kaiden and Daisy

Homework Trophy

A big well done to **Cygnets** and **Ducks**, who were the first to win our homework trophy this term. This week's winner will be announced in our Celebration Assembly on Friday.

House Points

Congratulations to **Sycamore House**, who had the most house last week.

Zero Heroes

Well done to **Ash House** who have had the lowest food waste for two weeks in a row!

Rainbow Superstars Ruby and Alice

A big well done to Ruby and Alice in Dragonflies, who have earned the Rainbow Gold Award, the highest award a Rainbow can achieve.

To gain this, they have worked incredibly hard over the past few years, taking part in activities, earning badges, learning new skills, helping others and completing a wide range of Rainbow challenges.

They were thrilled to receive their awards and were presented with special badges, certificates and even gold balloons to celebrate their achievement.

Virtual Balloon Race – The results are in! Thank you for helping raise funds for our Outdoor reading project, The balloon raise raised £336. Congratulations to the top 3 balloons:

1	Minnows	33433 km
2	Jones 67	33431 km
3	Yuji Itadori	33429 km

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to ask for your urgent partnership in keeping our children safe online by actively monitoring their mobile phones and digital devices.

As our oldest pupils prepare for the transition to secondary school, many are gaining more independence, which often includes having their own smartphone. While these devices are excellent tools for personal safety during journeys to and from school, they also expose children to complex digital environments that they are not yet mature enough to navigate alone.

The Context of Our Concerns
Recently, we have noticed an increase in digital friction among pupils outside of school hours. This is spilling over into the classroom, causing unnecessary distress and distraction.

- **Group Chats**: Pupils are frequently using group messaging apps like WhatsApp, Snapchat, and Discord. The rapid, unfiltered nature of these platforms often leads to misunderstandings, exclusionary behaviour, and unkind language.
- **Age Restrictions**: Many popular apps have a strict legal minimum age limit of 13+ (or 16+ for WhatsApp in some regions). This means our Year 6 pupils (aged 10 and 11) are fundamentally exposed to content and peer pressures beyond their emotional capacity.
- **Mental Health Impact**: Studies and guidance from organisations like Internet Matters highlight how unmonitored screen time and late-night notifications significantly increase childhood anxiety, cause sleep deprivation, and disrupt learning focus.

How You Can Help at Home
The responsibility for supervising social media and internet activity ultimately lies at home, but we want to equip you with practical steps to safeguard your child:

- **Check Devices Together**: Regularly look at your child's phone with them. Know their passwords and review their recent group chat messages, friend lists, and search histories.
- **Apply Parental Controls**: Use built-in privacy and restriction tools (such as Apple Screen Time or Google Family Link) to limit app downloads, filter adult content, and restrict access times.
- **Establish a Shared Space Policy**: Ensure that phones, tablets, and gaming consoles are only used in shared family areas.
- **Enforce a Bedroom Ban**: Ban all electronic devices from bedrooms overnight. Collect your child's phone before bedtime to ensure they get uninterrupted sleep.
- **Maintain Open Communication**: Talk to your child daily about their digital lives. Reassure them that they can tell you if they see something upsetting without fearing that their phone will be taken away.

We want our pupils to finish their primary school journey feeling confident, happy, and safe. By working together to establish healthy boundaries now, we can protect their wellbeing and set them up for a successful transition to secondary school.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

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> – Mrs Tanner, Year 2

> "Super fun and engaging for all the children. They all commented on how much they enjoyed it and were excited to talk about the activities afterwards."
> – Miss Tayler, Year 4

> "The children really enjoyed their session. The coaching was positive, inclusive and kept all children actively involved."
> – Mrs Ellmore, Reception

DATES
THURSDAY 23 JULY – FRIDAY 28 AUGUST (WEEKDAYS)

AGES
5 – 11 YEARS
R-Y6
(2025/26)

TIME
8:30AM – 5:00PM
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