



"Learning Together"

Respect, Kindness, Tolerance, Responsibility, Co-operation

Great Moor Junior School Newsletter

19th December 2025

Happy Christmas

We would like to wish everyone happy holidays and we look forward to continuing to work with you in 2026. Thank you so much for your support and kind feedback.

I would also like to extend my thanks to our fabulous staff team who work so hard to do their very best for the children. We return to school on Tuesday 6th January 8.40am



Year 3 Christmas Show - The Voice of Bethlehem

We are all very proud of the Year 3 children for putting on an amazing Christmas Show. The Voice of Bethlehem was brilliant! The children put a lot of hard work into learning lines, songs and dance routines. Their dedication was exceptional. We saw Shepherds shaking their hips, Stars being glamorous and Roman Soldiers leading a march. The children not only worked hard, but they thoroughly enjoyed the rehearsals and many of them came up with dance moves for the routines. Well done to all of the cast and stage crew for a fantastic set of performances.



St Saviour's Parish Church

Year 3 were once again invited to our local church, St Saviours. Reverend Jess welcomed us and had organised a carousel of exciting nativity activities. The children learned about the different parts of the nativity story such as Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem. This linked really well to our Christmas Show and the children showed off their good knowledge of the nativity story.

The children were extremely polite and were really engaged as they moved around the various activities. They all thanked the volunteers who gave up their time.



Christmas Fair

This year's Christmas Fair was hosted by Year 4. All the children had a wonderful time, enjoying a range of festive stalls, including present stacking, Christmas face painting and the chocolate tombola. It was fantastic to see pupils showing our school values of responsibility and cooperation as they helped each other and raised lots of money. All children took part sensibly and made the event such a fun and festive experience. A huge well done to everyone involved!

We had some really amazing and very imaginative Christmas Boxes and it was very hard to choose the winners, pictured below (more photos in the gallery on the website). Thank you to all who supported school by sending in boxes, donating chocolate and providing money to spend at the fair. We couldn't have done it without you.



Choir - St Mary's Church

Our choir brought their busy festive season to a joyful close with two fantastic performances at the Christingle Service at St. Saviour's Church and The Mayor's Carol Service at St. Mary's Church.

Well done to our brilliant singers, and a big thank you to their families for their wonderful support at both events. also a massive thank you to Miss Doogan for all the hard work she puts into making the choir such a great success.



Clubs Next Half-Term

Next half-terms clubs are on Parentpay for you to sign up to. We are happy to let you know that Ben is coming back to DLTC and will be starting Tennis Club again on Thursdays after school until 4.30pm. Please see leaflet if you would like to sign up to Tennis Club. Please note that Tennis Club won't be starting until 15th January (2nd week back).

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB DATES SPRING 1 2026

| CLUB | YEAR | DAY | JAN | FEB | Sessions |
|----------------|---------|-----------|---------------|-------|----------|
| BASKETBALL | 4, 5, 6 | Monday | 12, 19, 26 | 2, 9 | 5 |
| GIRLS FOOTBALL | ALL | Monday | 12, 19, 26 | 2, 9 | 5 |
| DRAMA | ALL | Monday | 12, 19, 26 | 2, 9 | 5 |
| CRAFT | ALL | Monday | 12, 19, 26 | 2, 9 | 5 |
| SINGING | ALL | Tuesday | 6, 13, 20, 27 | 3, 10 | 6 |
| FOOTBALL | 5 & 6 | Tuesday | 6, 13, 20, 27 | 3, 10 | 6 |
| SPANISH | ALL | Wednesday | 7, 14, 21, 28 | 4, 11 | 6 |
| KARATE | ALL | Wednesday | 7, 14, 28 | 4, 11 | 5 |
| PHOTOGRAPHY | ALL | Wednesday | 7, 14, 21, 28 | 4, 11 | 6 |
| TAG RUGBY | ALL | Wednesday | 7, 14, 21, 28 | 4, 11 | 6 |
| KEYBOARD | ALL | Thursday | 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5, 12 | 6 |
| ART | ALL | Thursday | 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5, 12 | 6 |
| ICT & TTRS | ALL | Thursday | 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5, 12 | 6 |
| FOOTBALL | 3 & 4 | Thursday | 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5, 12 | 6 |
| DANCE | ALL | Thursday | 8, 15, 29 | 5, 12 | 6 |

JANUARY
2026



**THURSDAY
AFTERSCHOOL
TENNIS CLUB**

Thursday After School Tennis
All Year Groups

**STARTS
THURSDAY 15TH
JANUARY**

Cost: £30pp (5 week course)

Fun, structured group coaching for all abilities. Session will run whatever the weather (indoor provision in bad weather). Equipment will be provided.

All sessions are lead by LTA Professional Ben Bush. Ben is the Head Coach at Davenport Tennis Club. Ben is First aid trained and has up to date DBS and safeguarding documentation.

Ben will collect the children from the yr3 corridor and walk them to Davenport Tennis Club. (Flowery Field, Woodsmoor, SK2 7ED). Parents can collect children from the tennis club at 4.30pm.

Places are limited and allocated on a first come first served basis.

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE

Contact Ben on 07966 973901 or
bbushstennis@yahoo.co.uk

Payment can be made via bacs once your place has been confirmed.
Sort code: 11-05-04 Account: 11357888 Ref: GMJ (followed by child's name)

Carol Service

We held a lovely carol service in school yesterday. The choir sang beautifully, children read the Christmas story very well and all the children joined in superbly with the carols. We were also lucky enough to have 3 students from Stockport School sing for us, one was an ex student and they sang absolutely wonderfully. What a treat! The Year 4 nightlights also added to a real festive atmosphere in the hall. Well done everyone!



Plastic Shed Visit Year 5

Year 5 were very lucky to receive a visit from Plastic Shed this week to take part in an art workshop focused on the use of recycled materials. Plastic Shed are the social enterprise behind the plastic bottle top mural in Stockport bus station and the UK's largest 100% recycled bottle top mural in Merseyway Shopping Centre. (If you haven't seen this yet, they are definitely worth a visit!) Jamie from Plastic Shed presented an assembly to the whole school to show pupils what they do and how the bottle tops that we are collecting will be used for further murals in Stockport. Year 5 had a fantastic time creating different designs for these new murals. Thank you to Plastic Shed for coming in to work with us.



Community Safety Message From The Fire And Rescue Service

Some families may be considering purchasing, or may already have purchased, e-scooters or e-bikes for Christmas. Please see the following safety advice from Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service with parents and carers - [E-scooters, e-bikes and batteries - Greater Manchester Fire Rescue Service](#)

Key messages from the campaign are:

- Don't leave your device charging unattended or when you're asleep.
 - Don't charge or store your battery in the hallway, communal area or where it could block your escape.
 - Only use the correct charger for your battery.
 - Only buy e-bikes, e-scooters, mobility scooters and batteries from trusted retailers and manufacturers.
 - Always follow the manufacturer's instructions. Don't attempt to modify or tamper with the battery.
 - Check for the CE or UKCA safety marking to make sure your battery and charger meet safety standards.
 - It is recommended that a professional carries out an e-bike conversion.
- Never put batteries in household bins. Recycle them safely at your local tip

Festive Online Safety Hub Advice

Please follow the links below to access some popular resources:

Tips and Tricks for Holidays:

• [Digital Downtime: Managing Healthy Holiday Habits](#)

• [Tech-Tastic Tips for the Festive Season](#)

Social Media Safety:

• [What is Italian Brainrot?](#)

• [Talking to your child about violence on social media](#)

Generative AI:

• [How are children really using AI tools?](#)

App Review:

• [Whatsapp](#)

How-To:

• [Block inappropriate sites with Qustodio](#)



Panto

Year 3 and 4 children enjoyed a brilliant pantomime in school this morning. We were able to fund this from the money we have been raising for school fund.



Festive Funded* Holiday Activity

22nd, 23rd, 29th, 30th December

- 📍 Life Leisure Avondale
- 📍 Life Leisure Houldsworth Village
- 📍 St Philips Catholic Primary School
- 📍 Brinnington Park Leisure Complex

Book here from 24th November:



*We are proud to participate in the Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) that enables us to offer free holiday camp places for children aged 5 – 12 on **income based** free school meals (FSM) and **vulnerable families**.

