# MOSS HALL NURSERY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## October 2019

#### Thank you for supporting the Macmillan cake sale.

We raised £180.00 at the cake sale. Many thanks to everyone who made and bought cakes.

### Rosh Hashanah

Several of our families have recently celebrated the Jewish New Year. Thank you to the parents who came into the nursery to teach us about this and share their traditions with us. Steve (Rosa's dad) came and played his guitar and clarinet and led a very special music and dance session for all the children. Theo's mum, Leia's mum and brother, Maya's dad and grandparent and Amit's mum also all came in to talk to the children, to share stories and apples and honey!

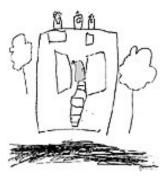
This is a wonderful opportunity for children to learn about the many religions and cultures in their community. Please do speak to your child's key person if you would like to come in and share your own experiences.

### Moss Hall Schools Association (MHSA)

MHSA is a registered charity and is run entirely by a group of parent volunteers.

They run events to raise money to buy equipment and resources for the nursery, infant and junior schools.

We now have 2 class reps. Jess (Emily and Charlotte's mum) is the class rep for Green Class and Viji (Noella's mum) is the class rep for Blue Class. They would like to establish Whatsapp groups for each class. Please add your name to the list in each room if you would like to be part of this group.



#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Walk to School Week

## Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Parent Gym taster (more details to follow)

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October

Halloween Cake Sale

Monday 21st – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Half term holiday

## Apply for your child's reception place

It is already time to start planning for next year. We are sending out information about how to apply for a reception place. Please talk to Annette if you need any help with this.

## Garden Project

We really need parental help to maintain and develop our lovely garden.

Maria (Nursery Nurse) and Jane (Governor) are setting up a garden project and are looking for volunteers to come in on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November to work in the garden. Please see notices on notice boards around the nursery for more information.

## **Special Activities Fund**

We ask all families to make a donation of £10 a term to the school to enable us to continue to provide special learning experiences and resources for the children. This is becoming increasingly important with the continued cuts to our school funding and we hope you can support us. Money should be put in an envelope with your child's name on and handed in to the office.

Thank you to those who have already handed in their donation.

## Other ways to help

Your children may already have brought home models constructed from everyday waste. Children's creativity in this area is fantastic and we need an endless supply of old boxes, tubes, bottles etc. Please bring in clean waste for us to recycle creatively.

After the half term break we will be introducing woodwork to the children. If any parents have clean (unpainted, unvarnished) wood offcuts we would be grateful for them. We would also be grateful for donations of corks, plastic and metal bottle tops etc for this.

There are likely to be many other things that you would throw away in your homes and workplaces that would be useful to us, such as envelopes, greetings cards, paper etc. Please ask your child's key person if you have something you think we might be able to use.

### Harvest – a collection for Homeless Action Barnet

Every year at this time we collect tinned and packet food as well as toiletries to donate to the local charity, Homeless Action Barnet.

Please help us by sending in donations by Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October.