

MOSSY LEA MESSENGER

Monday, 31st March 2025 XXXI.III. MMXXV

Weekly Highlights at Mighty Mossy 🌞

What a fantastic week we've had! Here's a look at what we've been up to:

📖 🌰 **Acorn Class**

In English and Science, we combined our skills to write non-chronological reports about lions – full of fascinating facts!

We had an egg-citing time holding our fluffy chicks! 🐣
Maths has been hands-on with plenty of practical activities to understand fractions.

📖 🌰 **Oak Class**

We completed our independent write based on Arthur and the Golden Rope – we can't wait to bring these to life in our graphic novels next week! ✨

In History, we were inspired by the courageous Boudicca and her rebellion against the Romans!

We have loved watching our ducks grow! 🦆 They even enjoyed daily paddling pool sessions, and we've learned so much about life cycles. Although we are sad to see them go today, it has been an amazing experience!

🌞 The whole school has been making the most of the beautiful spring sunshine during playtimes.

🎨 We got creative in Art, making beautiful Mother's Day cards.

🚒 🔥 A big thank you to Lancashire Fire and Rescue for visiting us!

Acorn Class learned what to do in a fire and how to stay safe.

Oak Class took this further, learning about fire risks, bike safety, and road awareness.

Please check that your child knows their home address in case of an emergency, not everyone did!

🥚 🐰 Don't forget our 'Egg-cellent' competition next Friday! Check the newsletter for details.



Andy's Temporary Absence

You may have noticed that Andy hasn't been at Mossy as much recently. This is because a staff member at St. George's has taken compassionate leave following a sudden family bereavement. The teacher is in Year 6 and with them being so close to their SATs, Andy understandably wants to ensure the children's learning remains unaffected.

To support St. George's, we have arranged internal cover, with Andy teaching some lessons alongside other members of the Senior Leadership Team, including myself on Monday afternoons. To ensure Mossy continues to run smoothly, we have increased staffing here, and I remain in daily contact with Andy. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Polite Reminders

Key Stage 2...Have you selected school lunches on SCOPAY? Please remember that these need to be done and paid for 48 hours in advance. Also, keep an eye for wrap around care charges being added at the end of each week.

Where possible please send toast money in advance (20p).

Continue to return the weekly slips by Friday at the latest.

Please ensure that SCOPAY and toast payments are all cleared for the start of Summer Term. Thank you!

Summer Uniform

After Easter, we will enter the Summer term and move towards the summer uniform. If they prefer, the children can wear tailored shorts, rather than trousers. Also, if they prefer, the girls can wear the red and white summer dresses. All girls can move to white socks instead of black please.

PE kit will now move to red shorts—no need for leggings or tracksuit bottoms.

Many thanks

Summer 1 After School Clubs

	Club	Timings
Monday	Chorley SSP – Tri Golf	15:30-16:30 = Free
	Late Stay	16:30-17:00 = £2.20
Tuesday	Story Writing Club	15:30-16:30 = Free
	Late Stay	16:30-17:00 = £2.20
Wednesday	Late Stay	15:30-16:30 = £3.30
	Late Stay	15:30-17:00 = £5.50
Thursday	Gardening Club	15:30-16:30 = Free
	Late Stay	16:30-17:00 = £2.20
Friday	Friday Night Film/Book Club	15:30-16:30 = Free
	Late Stay	16:30-17:00 = £2.20

Attendance

Current academic year up to Thursday 27 March 2025

Number of pupils

22

Overall attendance %

94.8%

Overall absence %

5.2%

Unauthorised absence %

0.9%

Your overall attendance
95.6%

You are in decile 4, the top
30-40% of schools

PTFA Easter Activities

Easter Bonnet Making and Parade: Children are invited to make an Easter bonnet and take part in a parade. The parade will take place in school on Friday, 4th April. Children can make their own bonnet at home or come along to the Craft Club on Tuesday, 1st April and make one with Mrs Lord for £1.50.

Eggciting Egg Competition: Also on Friday, 4th April, we will be judging an egg designing competition. We are inviting children to decorate a hard boiled egg, Be creative, have fun—the theme is storybook characters. Each egg entry is 50p, Enter as many as you like! You can also use props, such as a shoe box to set the scene.



Star of the Week



April	
1st	Easter bonnet craft club - £1.50
4th	No swimming— Easter bonnet parade, Easter Egg Hunt, Egg Competition Break up
22nd	Back to school

Gorgeous gifts and yummy treats

Enjoy warming lunches, freshly-brewed teas and coffees, and delicious cakes overlooking **Swan Lake** in our **Mere Side Café**. In our shop, we've gorgeous gifts, books and toys for you – and every penny you spend in our shop and café goes to support our vital conservation work. Admission prices apply, with WWT members entering free.

EVERYTHING YOU NEED FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE DAY OUT

How to find us

Our address – Fish Lane, Burscough, Lancashire, L40 0TA.

By car – follow the brown duck signs from Junction 8 on the M61, Junction 3 on the M58 and Junction 27 on the M6.

By bike – use New Lane Circuit and A Grand Tour of West Lancashire routes.

By train – Burscough Bridge Interchange (2 miles), New Lane (0.8 miles) and Burscough Junction (3 miles).

WELCOME

We're open

Visit us **364 days a year** – that's every day except Christmas Day.

Summer opening times (31 Mar 2025 – 26 Oct 2025) 9:30am–6pm.


Winter opening times (27 Oct 2025 – 30 Mar 2026) 9:30am–4:30pm.

Get in touch

Call us on 01704 895181

Email us at info.martinmere@wwt.org.uk

Visit wwt.org.uk/martin-mere

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We're
buggy and
wheelchair
friendly



WWT is the leading conservation charity that protects, preserves and promotes wildlife and wetlands. Come along, explore, get close to the animals, enjoy unique experiences and learn about these amazing habitats.

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WHAT'S ON

at Martin Mere Wetland Centre **SPRING
& SUMMER**



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wwt.org.uk/martin-mere



Development coming soon

Swing, slide, and splash – we're opening a brand new wet play area near our Canoe Safari! Coming spring 2025.



Lloyd of the Flies

5 Apr – 1 Jun

Dive into the wonderful world of wetland insects with Lloyd and his new friend Dart the dragonfly. © Aardman Animations Ltd 2025



Mere Tun

26 – 30 May

Step back in time in our 'Viking Village'. Visit our longhouse for medieval crafts, see what we're cooking up by the campfire, learn how to defend the village, and more!



Canoe Safari and Boat Tours

Apr – Oct

Set sail on your own adventure with a canoe safari, or take a relaxing guided boat tour with our team. Dragonflies, kingfishers, water voles – what treasures will you discover?

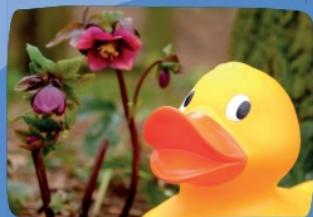
Prices and times vary

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SCAN TO FIND OUT MORE



GIANT Duck Hunt

5 – 21 Apr

Can you find all of our GIANT yellow ducks hidden around Martin Mere? This year – find our extra special golden duck for the chance to win a £100 voucher!

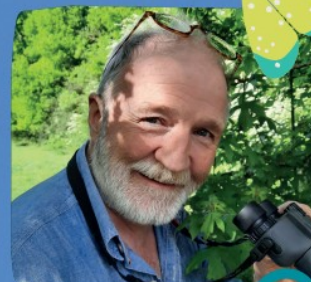
£1 per trail



Annual Duck Race

Mon 5 May | 12pm, 2pm & 4pm

The race of the year returns! Decorate your rubber duck over Easter for £3.50 and enter it into our duck race on May Bank Holiday Monday.



Big Bug Weekend

21 – 22 Jun

Join author and television presenter George McGavin for a weekend of bug hunting, moth trapping, and fascinating talks for the whole family.



Summer of Wonder

23 Jul – 1 Sept

Buzz into a summer of new experiences and a celebration of wonderful dragonflies. Enjoy pond dipping, bug hunts, interactive shows, creative workshops, and a brand new dragonfly trail.

ONE STOP SHOP

A monthly drop in where families

can access support on:

Housing
Finance
Emotional Health and Wellbeing

Access to service for:

Employment advice
Relationship advice
Home safety

Find out about:

Mental health support
Accessing Food Banks
Household living support

First
Thursday of
the month,
9am 'til
12 noon

SKELMERSDALE
**FAMILY
HUB**
AND THE ZONE

WEST LANCASHIRE

The West Lancs Family Hub and Zone
Yeadon
Skelmersdale
WN8 6NL
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The One Stop Shop is a monthly drop in where families & young people can access support from different services under one roof.

We offer a warm welcome, refreshments and an opportunity to get help with:

Housing (am)

Finance (am)

Accessing food banks (am)

Mental health support (am)

Emotional Health and Wellbeing

Citizens Advice (am)

Relationship advice (am & pm)

Targeted Youth Support (pm)

Sexual Health (pm)

We Are With You (pm)
(substance / alcohol)



Drop in on the 3rd
Tuesday of the month,
between:

9am till 12 noon

(parent / carers)

2.30pm - 5pm

(11 - 19 years)

Children and Family
Wellbeing Service
Duke Street Family Hub
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