

MOSSY LEA MESSENGER

Monday, 22nd September 2025 XXII.IX. MMXXV

🌿 ✨ This Week at Mighty Mossy! ✨ 🌿

It's been another busy and exciting week at Mighty Mossy! 🌿 ✨

Oak Class

Our highlights included:

- 🎵 Playing the glockenspiels in music
- 📖 Planning our own alternative endings to a chapter of Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief
- 🔬 Learning about stages of childhood development in science
- 🏛️ Discovering what life was like for an ancient Greek soldier in history
- 💻 Exploring the difference between the internet and the World Wide Web in computing

Acorn Class

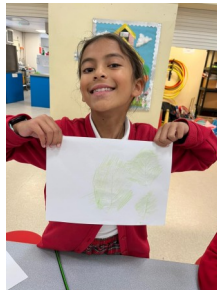
Meanwhile, Acorn Class have been:

- 📖 Continuing their learning about significant people, focusing on Rosa Parks and her impact in history
- 📖 Researching Martin Luther King Jr. in preparation for their next writing phase
- 🔬 Investigating Alexander Graham Bell and the invention of the telephone in science
- 💃 Taking a space journey through dance in PE

Forest Friday

We ended the week outdoors, making beautiful leaf rubbings and stick frames before visiting our very own "gallery" to share and celebrate each other's creations. 🌳 🍂

Well done to everyone for such enthusiastic learning this week — we're so proud of you all!



“Life throws curveballs. Schools catch them.”

Folks,

We're only a short way into the new term, but it's already been one of those starts that reminds me how deeply human schools are. Behind the polished corridors, the colourful displays, and the busy routines, real life continues — for staff, children and families alike.

Since the beginning of term, we've faced a couple of unexpected staffing curveballs — ones that have stretched us behind the scenes, even if they haven't touched the surface for the children.

Mrs Siobhan McKenzie has had to step away temporarily following a difficult personal situation.

Mrs Nic Gregson, our SENCO, began maternity leave earlier than expected over summer to spend time with her family and help them prepare for the big changes ahead!

These absences weren't planned, but they've been met with calm, clarity and teamwork — with staff stepping up, and the wider leadership team pulling together to ensure strength and consistency across the school.

It's important to say this: the children remain safe, supported, and entirely unaware of any disruption. If anything, their start to term has been marked by joy, curiosity and routine — and that's the clearest indicator that the foundations we've built are strong.

As I said to staff in our INSET: schools, like cruise ships, occasionally need to amend their course — but you never lose sight of the destination. You scan ahead, make adjustments, and keep moving forward — always with love at the helm.

To our brilliant children — thank you for your laughter, your effort, and your trust.

To our amazing parents — thank you for your partnership, your patience and your positivity.

And finally, thank you for helping us hold onto what makes our school special: honest, traditional **relationships, quietly underpinned by something that can't always be seen — but is always felt.**

As we often say: you can't beat it.

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Join Us for a Harvest Assembly at Tunley Church

We are thrilled to invite you to a special event that celebrates the spirit of giving and the bountiful harvest season - our Harvest Assembly! This heartwarming gathering will take place at Tunley Church on **Friday 26th of September at 9 am.**

This assembly is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together and share in the joy of the season. Here are some important details to note:

Children's Arrival:

Children are to meet directly at the church ready for the assembly. There is no need for them to come to school first, unless they are joining us for our breakfast club. The Church will be open from 08:45 and the assembly will begin at 09:00. Please ensure that you leave your child directly with a member of staff before you go. ****Bringing the Harvest Spirit:****

Harvest is a time for giving, and as part of our tradition, we will be making donations to 'The Brick' food bank in Wigan. If you wish to contribute, please bring your donations on the day of the assembly. Your generosity will make a significant difference in the lives of those in need in our community.



Attendance Update

Current academic year up to Friday 19 September 2025

Number of pupils

23

Overall attendance %

97.5%

Overall absence %

2.5%

Unauthorised absence %

0.0%

**Your overall attendance
94.6%**

**You are in decile 6, the
bottom 40-50% of schools**

Break the Rules Day – Friday 24th October

As Halloween falls during the October half term this year, we won't be holding our usual party. Instead, to add a little fun and raise funds for school, we'll be hosting a "Break the Rules Day" on **Friday 24th October**.

On this special day, pupils will have the chance to bend the rules – all for a good cause! Each rule broken will cost **£1**, with a maximum of **£5 per child**.

Some ideas include:

- Wearing trainers instead of school shoes – £1
- Wearing hair down instead of tied up – £1
- Bringing a treat for playtime instead of fruit – £1
- Wearing a Halloween costume – £1

It's a chance for the children to get creative, enjoy a day of mischief and help raise money at the same time. We can't wait to see their imaginative rule-breaking!

Star of the Week



Diary Dates

Septemebr	
19th—22nd	Year 6 to PGL
26th	Harvest Assembly at Tunley Church 09:00
October	
2nd	EYFS Early Reading Meeting 15:40
24th	Break the Rules Day
	Break Up