

Beyond the classroom...

At Moorlands we are particularly proud of our learning opportunities beyond the classroom

These include:

- weekly outdoor learning in our beautiful 10 acres of green space including in our forest and canvas tipi
- wellbeing focus on keeping physically healthy e.g Moorlands Mile before school and Play Leaders leading play and games at break and lunchtimes
- wellbeing focus on keeping mentally healthy e.g. worry boxes and sensory boxes in every class, and all of our staff are Thrive trained with additional Thrive practitioners to support the emotional needs of all children
- cultural capital opportunities – assemblies, events, trips and visitors such as opportunities to visit the theatre, Bath Literature Festival and Longleat Safari Park
- specialist sports and PE provision over two fields and 4 playgrounds
- a wide range of extra curricula clubs after school including art, science, choir and a range of sports
- wraparound breakfast and after-school club care, run by dedicated school staff
- our Music and PE facilities and opportunities
- our Infant and Junior libraries stocked with modern, diverse and inclusive texts



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Outdoor Learning and our Natural Environment

Moorlands School Federation is fully committed to providing pupils with meaningful experiences of the outdoor environment. Developing a deep connection with nature, an understanding of the world around them and enhanced responsibility for the care of the environment is central to this extensive programme. The pupils are supported to develop skills, experiences and opportunities in a range of outdoor environments across our site including woodland, grassland and ponds.

Starting in Early Years the EYFS Outdoor Learning programme incorporates regular 'welly walk' sessions through the Reception Year. All sessions are designed to closely link to the Prime and Specific areas of learning and development of the EYFS curriculum. This forms the foundation element of our Outdoor Learning offer where pupils gain a clear understanding of the boundaries and behaviour expectations of the outdoor learning programme whilst developing their knowledge and use of a variety of tools and equipment across our 10 acre site.

In Years 1-6 pupils take part in a tailored series of Outdoor Learning which focus on key areas of the National Curriculum and enjoyment of the outdoors. With our 10 acres we are lucky enough to provide a unique offer of each year group taking part in an outdoor learning session every week. The sessions are weekly so pupils gain valuable experiences of the outdoors through the changing seasons and we believe this opportunity has a positive impact on behaviour and wellbeing of the children. We also offer 'Outdoor Adventurous Activities' through a regular after-school club making the most of our outdoor space.

Our Eco-thread ensures that our natural environment is always high profile as we work towards our Eco-Schools Green Flag award. The Eco-Schools Green Flag is an internationally recognised award for excellence in environmental action and learning. Eco-Schools empowers pupils, raises environmental awareness, improves the school environment and also creates financial savings for schools. We have a well-established Moorlands Eco group comprising of parents and children that support gardening, litter collection and maintenance of our beautiful site.

MOORLANDS ECO GROUP

JOIN OUR LITTER PICK / GARDENING HOUR



Get your gloves and your pickers ready - it's time for some tidying and outdoor fun this Friday! All ages welcome.

We celebrate and are active participants in Walk to School week and try to be as healthy and environment conscious all year round. We have a 5 minute 'walking bubble' to encourage our school community to park and walk to school to support our health and the environment.

We were proud recipients of the Modeshift STARS award. Modeshift STARS is the Centre of Excellence for the delivery of Effective Travel Plans in Education, Business and Community settings. The scheme recognises schools, businesses and other organisations that have shown excellence in supporting cycling, walking and other forms of sustainable and active travel.



PE and keeping physically healthy

Across our extensive site of two fields, four playgrounds and two halls we follow GetSet4PE as a scheme to support our PE teaching and we work alongside specialist sports coaches at In2Sport that offer outstanding curriculum delivery at the highest standard. They teach and model best practice or work alongside our teachers to provide them with a CPD plan that will leave them feeling confident and excited about delivering excellent PE lessons. In2Sport offer quality assured and accredited provision to ensure that all members of staff receive the best PE related CPD. These coaches known to the children also offer a variety of sports clubs after-school. We are proud to share that Moorlands has won the football and netball tournaments in BANES for the last few years.



Our aim with the Moorland Mile is to encourage children to engage in more physical activity. They should see that each time they come along, they improve in some way, whether that's going faster, completing more laps, or feeling stronger! Research has shown that exercising before school can enhance children's ability to process and retain information throughout the day, increases the ability to focus and improves attention span and memory.

Music

Our bespoke music curriculum at Moorlands embraces diversity and includes celebrating a different Musician of the Week along with singing assemblies every week, and a wide range of peripatetic instrumental lessons providing creative and wellbeing opportunities.



We love to get outdoors - we even have playground pianos!

Our musician of the week is...

Nina Simone

USA, 1933-2003



Works:

Mon: Feeling Good
Tue: Sinnersman
Wed: Work Song
Thu: I Put a Spell on You
Fri: Ain't Got No, I Got Life

Wellbeing

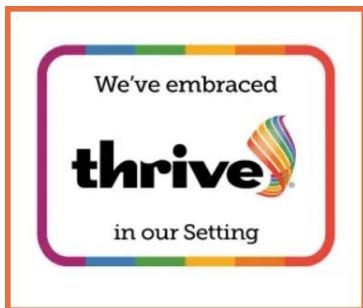
The importance of nurturing the 'whole child' is of utmost importance to us at Moorlands.

Alongside our commitment to the wellbeing of the children in our Relational Policy, we follow a clear Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) and Relationships and Sex Education programme through Jigsaw. This is a whole school PSHE scheme which aims to help children know and value who they really are and how they relate to other people in this ever-changing world.



There are six Puzzles (half-term units of work):

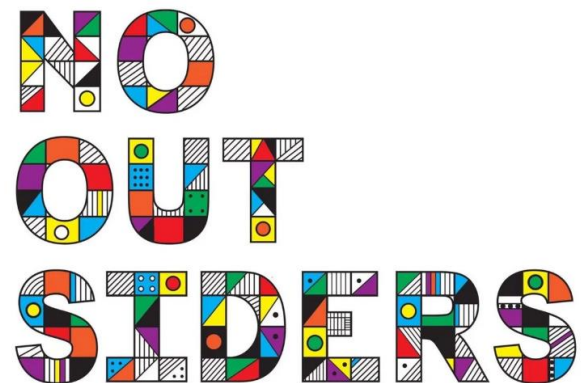
1. Being Me in my World
2. Celebrating Differences
3. Dreams and Goals
4. Healthy Me
5. Relationships
6. Changing Me



All of our staff at Moorlands are Thrive trained and we have dedicated Thrive practitioners. Thrive is a specific way of working with all children that helps to develop their social and emotional wellbeing, enabling them to engage with life and learning. It supports their emotional and social development and helps them feel happy and secure, able to enjoy friendships, relate well to others and be ready and able to learn.

Our diverse and inclusive bespoke Assembly programme, linked to British Values, complements our wellbeing focus and ensures children are aware of culturally and diverse important events and celebrations throughout the year.

We have a 'No Outsiders' culture which makes a clear commitment about the equality ethos at Moorlands and as the golden threads of our curriculum show we want to ensure all of our community and children to feel represented. We are proud that visitors, families and new starters at our school often comment on what a friendly and happy place we are.



EVERYONE IS WELCOME IN OUR SCHOOL.
No one is the same, but everyone is equal.

Beyond the Classroom Values

We recognise that achievement is in many forms.

We want our children at Moorlands to achieve in the classroom but also beyond the classroom by demonstrating a deep understanding of living our 'LEARN' values. We are proud that our diverse and inclusive curriculum is everywhere. This celebration of 'all' through a focus on relationships and wellbeing is an essential, character building, life skill along with the development of emotional literacy to break down barriers to learning, improve self-esteem and support good mental well-being. They should bloom and grow wherever they are.

The impact both in, and beyond, the classroom should be that children at Moorlands are able to show confidence and resilience in their personal learning; are motivated to succeed in the next stage of learning and the future; are able to show respect, tolerance, and equality to others; can demonstrate right from wrong; and can demonstrate how to stay physically and mentally healthy, whilst nurturing others and their environment.

Our curriculum and our website are subject to change so please come and visit our school by contacting the school office so we can show you our latest learning.