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Moreland Primary School

Reaching higher than I dreamed, becoming the person that I want to be,
doing the best I can for the world and for me.

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Executive head teacher's news

This is the fifth year of the federation with St Luke's and both schools are going from strength to strength. End of year results and assessment showed that a vast majority of children made good progress last year. Our teachers continue to work closely with teachers in St Luke's. This partnership has strengthened over the years and I am really pleased to see how far Moreland has come in four years. Improvement will continue.

We had two excellent joint school training days in September and the staff are fresh and very well organised, ready for the year ahead. One of the policies we reviewed was the behaviour and discipline policy- a copy is available on the website and outside the school office. Below is the Moreland Way- this is the 'Way' we do things in Moreland, a list of expectations:

The Moreland Way:

Do be kind and helpful - remember to help other children and adults

Do be gentle - remember other people have feelings

Do look after your school- remember to show respect

Do listen to people and show respect - remember your manners

Do work hard - remember to always try your best

Do be honest - remember to always tell the truth

I am continually impressed by the behaviour of the children- they have excellent manners and are courteous and respectful to each other (on the whole) and to adults. Children being children do sometimes have their moments but we do our best to develop positive relationships with every child so they respond well to us and we are firm in our expectations. We endeavour to be as fair as we can be and treat every child the same. We are always telling children that they come to school to learn and we need calmness and order for this to happen. We always encourage children to tell their family about their school day and anything that may be worrying them, but we also need to know if there is anything troubling them so that we can sort it out straight away.

A new way of teaching Maths-'Inspire Maths' (Singapore Maths):

The Maths curriculum in Singapore has been recognised for its excellence in enabling children to become highly skilled in Mathematics. It is based on extensive research on how children learn, their fluency with numbers, visualising patterns, reasoning and problem solving. We have just started to use this programme in year 1 to year 6 and it addresses the higher expectations of the new National Curriculum very well. We basically do not move children on until they completely understand a concept. Those who do understand are not held back, they go on to 'master' deeper learning and understanding so they can apply what they know to more challenging Mathematics. The new National Curriculum does not have levels like the old one. The DFE