

4AC & 4AD Newsletter

Autumn 1, September 2021



Year 4
Blog



Important dates



17th Sept - Jeans for Genes Day
(non-uniform)

w/c 20th Sept - collecting for Barnabus

24th Sept - Macmillan Coffee Morning
(non-uniform)

22nd Oct - end of Autumn 1

History



Would you have liked being a Victorian child?

Children will learn about what their life might have been like if they were born during the Victorian era, in the 1800s!

Science (biology)

What happens to the food we eat?

This topic will take children on a journey through the digestive system.



Singing lessons



This term, children will have singing lessons with a professional Opera singer.

Watch out for happy children singing their hearts out!

Welcome to a new school year in Year 4!

Your new class teachers for this year are **Mr Carruthers in 4AC** and **Miss Dhanda in 4AD**. Children will also have the support of **Mrs Hinds** and **Mrs Sangster**.

Please visit the year 4 blog throughout this term for regular updates on learning and ideas on how to support your child at home.

If you have specific questions about your child's learning or want to share homework, please email: acaruthers@oldmoat.manchester.sch.uk or adhanda@oldmoat.manchester.sch.uk

Maths

This term, children will learn about:

- number and place value of numbers up to 1000.
- solving addition and subtraction problems, including word problems.
- rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000.

Times tables

By the end of year 4 children should know **all** times tables from 1 to 12. Regular and frequent practice is the best way to learn the times tables, so please support your child to practise at home in any way you can.

Useful websites:



Times Table Rockstars



The Daily Ten



There will be more learning links on the Year 4 blog page.



Reading books

Children will receive a new reading book every week.

It is important that children bring their reading book and yellow reading record to school every day so that they can read with an adult and have their book changed.

At home:

- listen to your child read daily
- discuss the book and new/interesting words to support comprehension
- leave a comment in their yellow reading record once a week



English

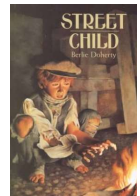
This term we are reading **Street Child**, a story set in Victorian Britain, about a young boy called Jim Jarvis.

We will use this text to write diary entries and persuasive letters.

The writing focus will be to:

- use fronted-adverbials
- organise different themes in paragraphs
- using inverted commas (speech marks)
- use interesting vocabulary that makes our writing stand out (adjectives, verbs, adverbs)

Throughout this year, we will continue to develop the skill of proofreading our own writing as well as practising our handwriting joins.

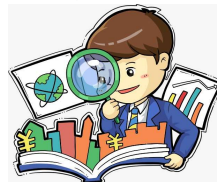


Homework

Homework will be set on the Year 4 blog every Friday and should be completed by Wednesday. Homework tasks will include:

- spelling and times tables practice
- a vocabulary task
- handwriting practice
- a task on local and global topics

We will provide paper copies of some tasks, but please do not bring these back to school as we are still social distancing at Old Moat. Instead, please share homework with us by email – we love to see and reward the effort children put into their homework!



Swimming and P.E.

Swimming on Tuesday.
P.E. on Wednesday.

Swimming kit: one piece swimming costume / tight trunks and swimming hat for longer hair and a towel. Please visit the blog to see examples of the kit.

P.E. kit: black shorts/leggings, white t-shirt and pumps/trainers.

Please remember to label all items of clothing with your child's name.

We will keep P.E. kit in school and send it home at the end of this half term.