

4AC & 4AD Newsletter

Spring 1, January 2023



Year 4
Blog



Dates for your diary

Chinese New Year – 22nd Jan.

Safer Internet Day - 7th Feb.

Year 4 trip to Chester – 10th Feb

End of Spring 1 - 17th Feb.



Happy New Year!

Brrr! It's feeling a lot like winter now, so please send your child to school with a warm jacket that has a hood or separate hat every day.

Home time - So that we can ensure a safe handover of your child: **4AC parents** - please stand back and line up near the reception gate; **4AD parents**: please line up next to the door children exit from.

Please email us if you have any questions about your child's learning or to share homework:
acarruthers@oldmoat.manchester.sch.uk or adhanda@oldmoat.manchester.sch.uk

History

Who were the Rotten Romans?



The Roman Empire in Britain
43 AD to 410 AD

This term, children will travel back over 1,500 years in time! They will learn about the effects of the Roman Empire in Britain and find out about some of the clues the Romans left behind.

Science (chemistry)

How could we survive without water?



Children will learn about the different states of matter (solid, liquid, gas) and the water cycle.

Maths

This term, children will learn about:

- addition and subtraction
- multiplication and division
- fractions

Times tables

Please support your child to practise their times tables. Just 15 minutes a day can make all the difference. You could even set a challenge to recite the times tables on a walk around the park or to the shop!

Useful websites:

Times Table Rockstars



The Daily Ten



PSHE

Dreams and Goals



In this unit the children will explore:

- Hopes and Dreams
- Broken dreams
- Overcoming disappointment
- Achieving goals

Homework

Homework will be sent home every Friday in a homework book and should be handed in by Wednesday. Homework tasks will include:



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

Reading books

Children receive a new reading book every week.

It is important that children bring their reading book and reading journal 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 support comprehension
- leave a comment in their reading journals



English

Still keeping with the theme of the Romans, children will read Roman myths about the popular Roman hero, Hercules. Then, children will write their own myths. A myth is a type of traditional tale that usually involves mythical creatures.

The writing will focus on:

- using subordinate clauses to add more information.
- organising different themes in paragraphs.
- writing effectively to build tension and interest.

In the second part of the term, children will write information texts about the Romans.

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/joggers, 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.