

4AC & 4AD Newsletter

Spring 2, March 2023



Year 4
Blog



Dates for your diary

International Mother Language Week - wc 6th March

International Women's Day – 8th March.


St Patrick's Day & Comic Relief – 17th March.

End of Spring 2 – 31st March.



Welcome back Year 4!

It's been a very exciting start to spring 2 - we dressed up for World Book Day, had a virtual meet with author Michael Morpurgo and Mrs Collier got each of us a new book to read and keep! We've also launched the Readathon to raise funds so children in hospital can have new books too. At Old Moat, we do love a bit of healthy competition and hope all the children in year 4 manage to read a mountain of books in March!

Here's to a great half term and brighter days. 

Please email us if you have any questions about your child's learning or to share homework:
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Maths

This term, children will learn about:

- 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. Turn it into a game and have some fun – recite the times tables as you walk up and down the stairs but you can only take a step if you get the correct answer!

Useful websites:



Times Table Rockstars



The Daily Ten



Geography

Why is the Amazon so important?

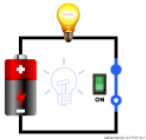


This half term the children will learning all about the amazing Amazon rainforest and its importance for all life on Earth!

Science (physics)

How could we cope without electricity?

Children will learn about the use of electricity and its importance in our daily lives. How a circuit works and even have a go at building one themselves!



Homework

Homework is set every Friday and should be completed and handed in by Wednesday.
Homework tasks include:

- spelling practice - for a test the following week
- a new a vocabulary task
- maths - based on learning in class
- a discussion task on local and global topics

We love to see all the effort that goes into home learning and will display notable effort and well presented work for everyone to see and celebrate.



Reading books

Children receive a new reading book every week.

It is important that children bring their reading book Reading Journal to school every week.

At home:

- listen to your child read daily
- discuss the book and new/interesting words to support comprehension
- Complete a reflection activity in their Reading Journal once a week.

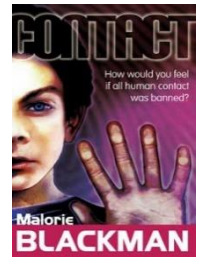


English

We will be looking forward to reading Contact by Malorie Blackman. In this story, all human contact is banned. However, a group of children have had enough of following the rules! We will be using this text to write our very own diary entries as the main character, Cal.

The writing will focus on:

- using first person
- writing in the past tense
- using a variety of sentence of openers
- organising different themes in paragraphs.



Swimming on Tuesday.
P.E. on Wednesday.

Swimming kit: one piece swimming costume / tight trunks and swimming hat for longer hair and a towel. All earrings and jewellery should be removed and left at home.

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.