

05/10/2023

# MOAT FARM JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WHERE WE PREPARE FOR TOMORROW BY ACHIEVING TODAY

Dear parents and carers,

Last week was a fantastic week in school, with so much wonderful learning taking place. School leaders alongside our Executive Lead from Stour Vale, carried out a series of learning walks this week. The focus was on reading, they were extremely impressed with the learning taking place in lessons and how enthusiastic the pupils are about the books they read, their knowledge of authors really shone through. They loved hearing our children read and talk about their books, there was a real buzz around school during our Comfy Reading sessions and Read at 3.

## **Year 6 Rainforest Experience**

On Tuesday and Wednesday last week, Year 6 children had the opportunity to take part in a rainforest experience. Children listened to the presenter talk about his experiences of visiting the Amazon over sixty times, they were in awe as they heard about his encounters with tribal people and the natural habitat. Children also got to experience handling creatures of the rainforest, including tarantulas and a giant millipede—they were so brave! Following this, the children had the opportunity to explore real-life artefacts from the Amazon and use this to understand what life is like to live in the rainforest. A memorable experience that complimented the classroom learning brilliantly!

## **Pastoral Support**

If you need support the Pastoral Team can signpost you to a range of different agencies and professionals. We can offer support to individual children and families with intervention sessions and have a wide range of resources. Our Yellow Room is a quiet and calm place for our children to enjoy. Mrs Moulder, Mrs Barnett and Mrs Jones work closely to ensure we are supporting the children who need it. A member of the Pastoral Team is always on the playground each morning, so if you require any further information, please say hello.

**MRS MOULDER**



**MRS BARNETT**



**MRS JONES**



## **Secondary Applications**

Year six children will transfer from primary to secondary school in September 2024, local authorities co-ordinate secondary transfer admissions for all maintained schools. This means parent/carers apply to the local authority in which they live. Applications must be made by 31st October 2023. Applications received after the closing date of 31st October 2023 will be treated as late applications. Late applicants are less likely to be offered a place at one of their preferred schools. If you require any further support or advice regarding secondary school application, please contact Mrs Stewart.

## **Coat Sale**

Thank you for the coat donations we received towards our Winter Coat Sale. It was a success! We are so pleased that as a school, we can take part in various acts to help our environment, including our Winter Coat Sale. Oxfam analysis suggests that shopping for second-hand fashion could prevent carbon emissions equivalent to those produced by 261,000 flights to Greece.

## **Geography**

Last Friday, some of our Geography-mad year 5s and 6s took part in their first 'Global Schools Alliance Primary Student Council' after Moat Farm were selected in July. Through 'Zoom' our students got to communicate with similarly aged children in countries such as Moldova, India, Slovakia and The Philippines. The theme of the meeting was 'How you start a new academic year in your school'. They are looking forward to sharing what they found out with the other children. What a brilliant, inspiring meeting for our children to be a part of. They can't wait for the next one in November and have already suggested themes for future meetings! Well done to our brilliant, young Geographers.

Many thanks, as always, for your continued support.

Mrs Shaw and Mrs Scotney

# Teacher Training

## Dates

MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

MONDAY 17TH JUNE

MONDAY 22ND JULY

### DIARY DATES

**06.10.23**

YELLOW 6 CLASS  
ASSEMBLY

**10.10.23**

HELLO YELLOW DAY

**10.10.23**

G4 / Y4 ISLAMIC  
EXPERIENCE  
EXHIBITION TRIP

**11.10.23**

B4 / R4 ISLAMIC  
EXPERIENCE  
EXHIBITION TRIP

**11.10.23**

BLUE 6 CLASS  
ASSEMBLY

**20.10.23**

TIMES TABLES  
ROCKSTARS DAY

**25.10.23**

YEAR 3 SANDWELL  
VALLEY TRIP

**25.10.23**

**27.10.23**  
YEAR 6 FRANK  
CHAPMAN  
RESIDENTIAL

**30.10.23**

**03.11.23**

HALF TERM  
HOLIDAY

**06.11.23**

TRAINING DAY  
(SCHOOL CLOSED  
TO PUPILS)

**13.11.23**

PARENTS' EVENING

**16.11.23**

PARENTS' EVENING

**24.11.23**

G4 / Y4 BEWDLEY  
MUSEUM TRIP

**27.11.23**

YEAR 5 TRIP TO  
HARVINGTON HALL

**28.11.23**

YEAR 5 TRIP TO  
HARVINGTON HALL

**06.12.23**

B4 / R4 BEWDLEY  
MUSEUM TRIP  
(SUBJECT TO  
CHANGE)

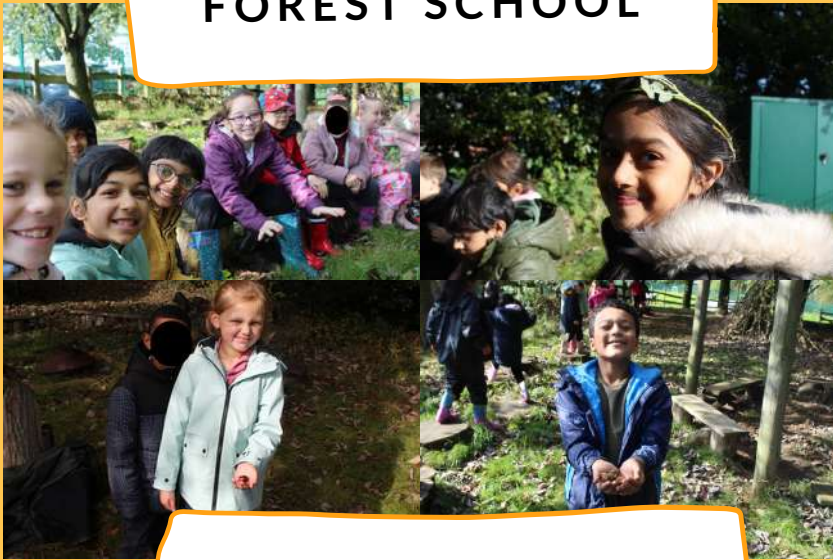


# What we've been up to

## GARDENING CLUB



## FOREST SCHOOL



## COMPUTING LESSON



## SALSA



## GLOBAL SCHOOLS MEETING





What we've been up to

# RAINFOREST EXPERIENCE



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# BATTLE OF THE READERS

POSITION	CLASS	READ 3 TIMES OR MORE	PERCENTAGE	FULL CLASS NUMBER
#1	GREEN 5	28	93%	30
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#2	RED 4	27	90%	30
#3	RED 5	26	87%	30
#4	YELLOW 6	25	86%	29

## SPECIAL MENTIONS

### LOWER SCHOOL

BLUE 3 - KAYLA O

GREEN 3 - LAMARI N

RED 3 - AVA D

YELLOW 3 - BALPREET S

BLUE 4 - LAHI A

GREEN 4 - REMI S

RED 4 - ZARA K

YELLOW 4 - MAYA D

### UPPER SCHOOL

BLUE 5 - JAMES T

GREEN 5 - HOLLIE B

RED 5 - SAAD K

YELLOW 5 - NAVJOYT K

BLUE 6 - UPKAR S

GREEN 6 - HARVEER H

RED 6 - LOGAN H

YELLOW 6 - BETTY W