

MOAT FARM JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



FRIDAY
18TH OCT

Message from Mrs Shaw & Mrs Scotney

Dear parents and carers,

As always, it's been a really busy week, and it has been wonderful to see so much learning taking place across the school. We are so proud of our enriched curriculum and all of the opportunities and experiences we provide for all of our children, and it's great to see how much progress has been made in just half a term. We love dropping into lessons and after school clubs to see what the pupils are up to!

Asda Cash Pot for Schools

A huge thank you to all the parents that have signed up to Cash Pot for Schools and nominated us as their preferred school to donate to. We are so very grateful. There is still time to donate over the next month, so please sign up if you are able to support our school (page below with instructions on how to download the app).

Parents Evenings

On Monday 4th and Thursday 7th November, we will be holding our first parent consultations of the academic year. If you haven't booked your slot either for a face-to-face meeting or with a phone call from your child's teacher, please do so. These initial meetings are very important as it's an opportunity to discuss how the children have settled in during the first half term.

National Poetry Day

On Thursday 3rd October, Moat Farm participated in National Poetry Day. This year, we had the opportunity to take part in an attempt to break the world record for the highest number of children engaging in an online poetry lesson. This was a first for our school, and we are proud to have been part of such a significant occasion.

The online lesson was not only a celebration of poetry, but also an enriching experience for our pupils. They enthusiastically took part in voting for their favourite sections of the poem and suggested creative changes.

Should we be successful in our attempt, our pupils will become a part of history, and Moat Farm will feature in the Guinness Book of World Records. We will keep you updated on the outcome; we are keeping everything crossed!

Children from each class were also able to take part in an online Zoom session with pupils from Tunisia and China, sharing poems they had written as a class, what an opportunity!

Dogs Trust

Friday 4th October was a special day at Moat Farm. We had a visitor from The Dogs Trust who delivered a wonderful assembly for both lower school and upper school. The children learnt about the importance of keeping safe around dogs and how to look after them. Some classes across the school had a workshop, where they had a more hands on approach to keeping themselves safe around dogs. This involved lots of speaking and listening activities as well as drama. The children thoroughly enjoyed their time with The Dogs Trust and can't wait for them to come back again next year.

Hello Yellow

Last Friday, we celebrated World Mental Health Day by supporting Young Minds with Hello Yellow. The children and staff came to school wearing yellow to mark the occasion. We saw some children dressed as minions, giant bananas, a pineapple and a pikachu but to name a few. To help our children understand that their mental health matters, they took part in a yoga session as well as having a 'doodle' on the playground with chalk. The children beforehand learnt about the impact drawing/doodling has on your mental health.

Football Update: Exciting Season ahead.

This year, Moat Farm Junior has proudly joined two football leagues, with both our boys' and girls' teams participating. The league follows a group stage format, with the boys scheduled to play five matches against local schools, and the girls set for four. If our teams finish in the top two positions, they'll progress to a knockout stage.

Match Updates:

Friday 4th October - Moat Farm Junior 1 - 3 Uplands Manor. The boys kicked off their season with a home match against Uplands Manor. Both teams created fantastic chances throughout the first half, but neither could find the back of the net. In the second half, Uplands Manor managed to score two quick goals, followed by a third midway through. Despite the scoreline, the boys showed incredible resilience. A great passage of play saw Zak dribble past two defenders before crossing for Ralphy, who slotted the ball into the bottom left corner. Although it wasn't the winning start we had hoped for, it was an important learning opportunity for the team.

Wednesday 9th October - Causeway Green 0 - 10 Moat Farm Junior. Our second match, an away game at Causeway Green, saw a strong response from the boys after the previous loss. The team was hungry for a win, and it showed early, with Zak scoring the first goal. Moat Farm dominated possession throughout the match, with Alfie scoring four goals in the first half and Zak adding another. Substitutions were made in the second half, but the team's momentum continued, with Zak scoring two more goals and Diego adding two late goals, including a powerful shot into the top left corner. A fantastic 10-0 victory for Moat Farm!

We're excited to see the girls' football team in action soon, with their first match expected in the next couple of weeks. As always, parents and carers are warmly invited to come and support the teams!

Out of school success

On Sunday 6th October 2024, Bobby travelled with family to Shrewsbury for another kickboxing tournament. Bobby fought other fighters in his category from Birkenhead and Huntington, with his sister and coach by his side. Bobby did extremely well and earned himself a bronze medal and a silver medal.

If any pupils want to share their out of school successes with us, we would love to know what they are up to. Please email the contact email with any information and photos.

Have a lovely weekend, see you all Monday for another wonderful week of learning.

Mrs Shaw and Mrs Scotney



LEARNING IN PICTURES

DOGS FOR LIFE

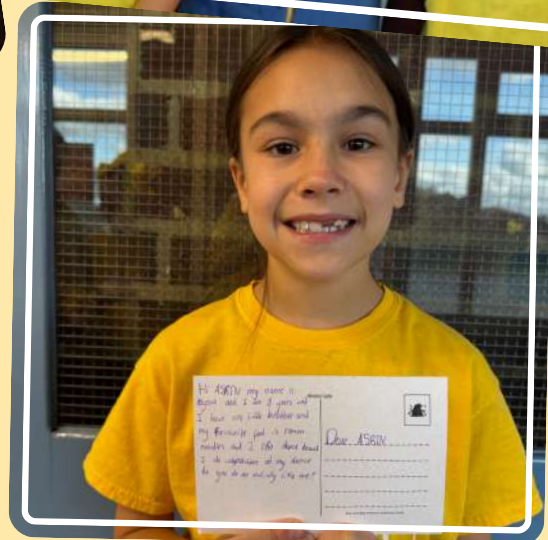


UKULELE CLUB



HELLO YELLOW

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AMAZON MAN



UPCOMING EVENTS

23.10.24

Year 3 Trip to
Sandwell Valley

25.10.24

TTRS Day
Non uniform day

28.10.24

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01.11.24

October Half Term

4.11.24

Parents' Evening

7.11.24

Parents' Evening

8.11.24

Flu vaccinations

8.11.24

Non uniform day
Bring a bar of chocolate
for the Winter Market

13.11.24

G5 & Y5
Harvington Hall Trip

14.11.24

B5 & R5
Harvington Hall Trip

15.11.24

Children in Need
More information
to follow

20.11.24

R4 & Y4: Bewdley
Museum Trip

22.11.24

B4 & G4: Bewdley
Museum Trip

6.12.24

Teacher Training

7.12.24

Winter Market

20.12.24

Pantomime - Dick
Whittington (in
school - pupils only)

23.12.24

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3.01.25

Christmas Holidays

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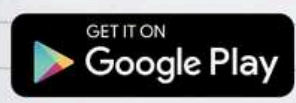
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Asda does the rest

The money raised will be donated through Parentkind to schools to spend on what they need most. This won't affect your own Cashpot earn.

Once opted in and selected a school, we will add £1 to your chosen schools Cashpot to help get them started.

Each school will get an additional £50 added to their Cashpot, after at least one customer has shopped and scanned their Rewards app.



Registering your school

A school, PTA or parent council can register on behalf of their school.

To register, they must sign up with our charity partner, Parentkind, via their [website](#). There is a free option for those unable to sign up for the yearly membership. If a school isn't registered by 30th November, the money earned will be transferred to the Schools in Need Cashpot, where it will be distributed to schools in disadvantaged areas.



Parentkind

About Parentkind

Parentkind is one of the largest federated charities and is the membership body for school Parent Teacher Associations (PTAs). They have spent the last 68 years helping an army of volunteer parents organise millions of events to enhance school life, raising billions of pounds for their schools.

As well as fundraising, Parentkind supports the voice of parents at a national level. With more research into parent opinion than any other UK charity, Parentkind offers a vital insight into both education and family life.