

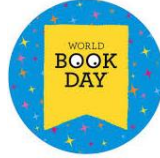


MOORLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Together We Can

7th March 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow! This week has been super busy with so many different learning opportunities across the school. We hope you enjoy hearing all about the week from your child/ren but just in case they tell you they cannot remember what they have learnt, have a read below...



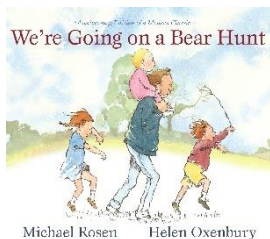
Our learning this week

Ladybirds and Owls celebrated **Shrove Tuesday** by making delicious pancakes to enjoy with their friends. Hedgehogs have been making **UV bracelets** and learning how to follow instructions by **making jam sandwiches**. Foxes and Badgers have started **rehearsals for their performance** later in the summer term. Some children from Falcons and Skylarks have completed the **Learn to Ride course with bikeability!** We look forward to more bikeability at the end of next week for those children who have signed up.



Book Start story session with Moorlands Family Centre

Gemma and Prescilla from the family centre brought a lovely Book Start story teller to share the story **We're going on a bear hunt**. All of the nursery and reception children thoroughly enjoyed joining in with the interactive story – it was a wonderful success and we are very grateful to Moorlands for making this happen.



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World book day – Friday 7th March

Wow! What an extraordinary effort to bring World Book Day to life. The children and staff looked absolutely splendid in their creative Words and made us smile all day. Thank you for all the effort you went to, to make this a very special day for our children. The morning began with a fun filled assembly full of laughter. There were plenty of stories and book-based activities during the day. World Book day is a wonderful opportunity to share a book. We are never too old to listen to a story, especially when it is one of our old favourites.



A big thank you to all who joined to stay and play with Ladybirds on Wednesday morning!

It was wonderful to invite you in and see what the children get up to each day in nursery. It was a great success here are a few photos from the session.



Reception Story Café – Tuesday 18th March 8:50am – 10am

Miss Tindle and Mrs Nicholls are looking forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 18th March for Story café please return the reply slip attached to the letter that was sent home last week. The Happy Chick company will bring the hatching eggs to school on Monday, this is a wonderful opportunity for the children to bring their learning to life.



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Science Week – Monday 10th March – Friday 14th March

There are lots of different opportunities for the children to celebrate Science Week. Each class has been looking after a wormery making sure to water it. Mrs Bull will be unwrapping them on Thursday so they can see what changes have happened to the worms since living in a different environment. There will be some fun assemblies and playground science activities for all the children to take part in too. Look out in next week's newsletter to see what they children get up to.



Coffee morning with the School Nurse Wednesday 12th March

The School nurse will be joining coffee morning on Wednesday, if you have any concerns or would like some advice please come along and join Mrs Nicholls in the school hall.



Bikeability Friday 14th, Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th March

The level 2 bikeability lessons will take place from next week for the pupils who have returned the consent forms. The teachers will advise the child which day their bike is required at the beginning of next week so **please look out for the letter and details**. If your child has a bike and helmet please bring them in to school when you drop your child off. The more children that have their own bike and helmet to bring the school the better.

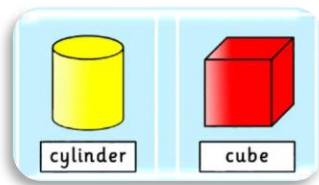


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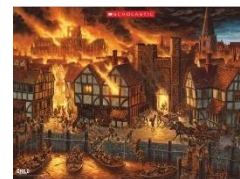
LOOK what we're LEARNING!

Take a look at what we will be learning this half term...

Nursery and Reception: Ladybirds and Owls have been learning about spring time exploring the environment and forest with identifying new signs of spring. The children will be exploring fiction and Non – fiction books this term. We will be moving onto the topic life cycles and learning all about the different life cycles. We will be looking at, animals, plants, and humans. We will introduce new vocabulary and be learning to write simple sentences. We will be reading a variety of stories about Chicks, frogs etc. In Maths – we will be focusing on learning the numbers 0-10 and beyond. We will be exploring weight and mass and identifying different 3D shapes.



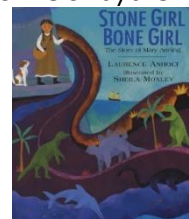
Year 1: In Hedgehogs, we will continue our main topic of 'Bright Lights, Big City' by looking at landmarks from aerial photographs and learning how to give directions. We will learn about the Great Fire of London and compare London to Kuala Lumpur – the capital city of Malaysia. In Science we will be using our investigative skills to complete different science experiments about the sun, the wind and the rain and we will explore wheels and axles in our DT sessions.



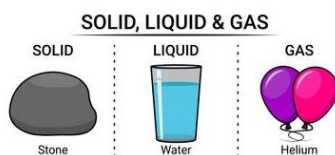
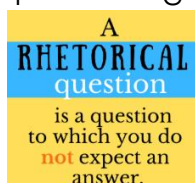
Year 2: In Squirrels this half term, we will be continuing our learning on coastlines in geography. Looking at how to keep safe at sea as well as learning about erosion. In maths, we are learning different units of measure, such as millimetres, centimetre and metres. Grams and kilogram and litres and millilitres. In English we are learning how to write newspaper articles, focusing on factual writing in the past tense, including the 5Ws. Our science topic is plant survival. We will learn about seasonal plants and how to keep plants healthy.



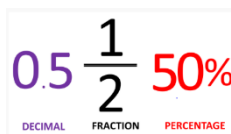
Year 3: This half term, Foxes will be studying lots of exciting topics! In Maths we are studying fractions, mass and capacity. Our text for English is called '**Stone Girl, Bone Girl**' which is the captivating story of Mary Anning - a famous fossil-hunter! In Geography, our topic is called '**Rocks, Relics and Rumbles**' where the children be learning about earthquakes and tsunamis! We are also completing a DT unit called '**Making it Move**' where the children will learn about mechanical systems.



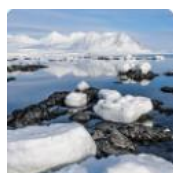
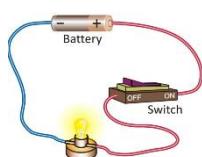
Year 4: This half term Badgers class will be learning more about fractions and of course practicing their times tables! In English we are writing persuasive letters to the Environmental Secretary RT Hon Steven Read, asking him to help raise the profile of plastic pollution in the ocean. The children have learned the vocabulary used when writing persuasively, and the art of writing rhetorical questions. In Geography we are continuing our work on Mountains and Rivers, looking at mountains and rivers in the UK and around the world. In science we continue our work on Solids, liquids and gases.



Year 5: Greta's Story - The School Girl Who Went on Strike to Save the Planet (linking to our English and topic). In English, Falcons will be taking part in a balanced argument based on the key statement **Humans are the cause of climate change**. In Math, Falcons are learning Decimals and Percentages (and their equivalent fractions). Our Main Topic is "**Sow, Grow and Farm**" - all about Farming Around the World. The children will be making links to and comparing against farming in the UK. In Science: Human Reproduction and Life Cycles - studying stages and processes throughout human life.



Year 6: In year 6 this half term we are continuing our Frozen Kingdom's topic. We will be using our knowledge from Geography to help us debate whether tourism should be permitted in Antarctica and we will then write a balanced argument based on this. In Science, we are exploring electrical circuits and components and completing an investigation on the impact of voltage increases on series circuits.



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School dinners

Lots of children didn't have their school dinners booked again this week resulting in lots of calls home for packed lunches. Please make sure you don't miss the deadlines each Sunday for the following week – why not book your child's lunches right up until the end of this half term. Here are the deadlines for ordering school dinners for the rest of this half term

Deadline to place order	For meals the week beginning:
Sun 9 th Mar	Monday 17 th March
Sun 16 th Mar	Monday 24 th March
Sun 23 rd Mar	Monday 31 st March



If you miss these deadlines, your child must bring a packed lunch from home.

Meals are prepared to order and there is no guarantee that there will be anything spare if you forget your child's packed lunch – **if there are spare lunches these can be offered at the daily price charged from Chartwells.** The office will phone you if your child has no lunch which is an inconvenience for you.













Moorland Attendance HERO –

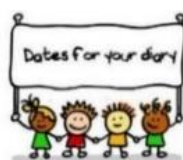
Here, Every day, Ready to learn, On time

Congratulations Ladybirds -100% attendance this week

We have seen huge improvements in attendance in most classes this week – well done to you all. We look forward to seeing you all in school next week so that all the classes turn green.

Attendance for Week Beginning Monday 3rd March 2025

 Ladybirds ~ 100% 	 Owls ~ 90%
 Hedgehogs ~ 95.4%	 Squirrels ~ 98.3%
 Foxes ~ 90.8%	 Badgers ~ 88.3%
 Falcons ~ 96.1%	 Skylarks ~ 95.9%
 Whole School ~ 94%	



Date	Event
Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th	Science Week
Mon 10 th & Tue 11 th March	Parent teacher meetings 3:15pm – 5:30pm
Wed 12 th March Year 1 to Year 6 parents	Coffee Morning. The School nursing team are visiting to offer advice and information about dealing with headlice – Forewarned is Forearmed. Always better to get the advice and information before you need it.
Fri 14 th , Mon 17 th & Tues 18 th March	Y5& Y6 Bikeability lessons begin – letters will be sent to children who have returned their permission slips
Tues 18 th March	Reception families Story Café – Chicken Licken come along and cuddle our newly hatched chicks.
Wed 2 nd April	Moorland Community Day in partnership with MK College and Woughton Parish Council – more details to follow
Wed 2 nd April 1pm-2pm	Nursery open afternoon for prospective nursery parents and their child
Thurs 3 rd April 3pm	Term Ends
Easter Holidays	
Tues 22 nd April 8.30am	Children return to school
Mon 28 th April	Class Photos and Year 6 Individual photos