



Oak Class (Year 1/2) Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 2024

Welcome to Oak class! We hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing summer holiday! We have an exciting term planned and we have already been very busy. Our newsletter will outline our learning for this half term. If you want any further information, please ask,

Science: Living things, including humans We will be learning about what living things need to survive, how to keep healthy and simple life cycles.

History: What is History? We will be creating simple timelines and finding out how we can find out about the past.

Computing: Data handling We will be sorting, classifying, and recording data using a range of different methods.

Music: Perform We will be making and controlling sounds with our voice and with instruments and we are learning songs linked to Traditional Tales.

PSHE: Families and relationships We will be looking at identifying the importance of families, friendships, relationships and caring for others.

RE: Why do we need to give thanks? We will be learning how different religions express their thanks in diverse ways, including through music and festivals like Harvest.

PE: Fundamentals and Ball Skills We will be developing our fundamental movement skills and ball skills.

Art: Sculpture and 3D art. We will be experimenting with clay and making clay houses.

English

This half term we are focusing on narrative. We will be reading lots of different traditional tales. We are using the story of Little Red Riding Hood to inspire us in our English lessons. Our main focus, at the moment, is basic punctuation, such as; capital letters and full stops. Every morning, we are starting our day with handwriting to make sure we work on our letter formation. This is then

followed by phonics and spelling lessons. We have guided reading sessions throughout the week too. We also have a class read book, which is read at the end of every day.



Maths

In maths, we will be starting by focussing on place value of numbers up to 20. We will then be moving on to addition and subtraction within 20.

Reading At Home

Reading takes place in a variety of forms. Children will have phonics, spelling, grammar and guided reading lessons.

Children will come home with a phonics book, which they should be able to read fluently, and a 'love for reading' book which is linked to a colour reading band. Phonics books are changed every Monday and Wednesday, we ask children to change their 'love for reading' book whenever they need to.

When reading and sharing a book at home with your child, please try to ask some comprehension questions to ensure they understand what they are reading.



A note on homework:

Children should be reading daily. They will also be sent home a sheet that contains spellings and maths test for each week. These will be sent home on Friday 20th September, and the first test will be Friday 27th September. Spellings are added to Spelling Shed for you to practise each week.

Reminders

P.E. is on a Wednesday, please ensure children come to school dressed in PE kit.

PE kit:

All children need a red t-shirt, black shorts, and black PE pumps. For outdoor PE, they need black tracksuit bottoms, a school sweatshirt or fleece top and trainers or pumps.

These are the words that children learn to spell throughout year one and two

Year 1			Year 2			
the	they	one	door	gold	plant	clothes
a	be	once	floor	hold	path	busy
do	he	ask	poor	told	bath	people
to	me	friend	because	every	hour	water
today	she	school	find	great	move	again
of	we	put	kind	break	prove	half
said	no	push	mind	steak	improve	money
says	go	pull	behind	pretty	sure	Mr
are	so	full	child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
were	by	house	children	after	eye	parents
was	my	our	wild	fast	could	Christmas
is	here		climb	last	should	everybody
his	there		most	past	would	even
has	where		only	father	who	
I	love		both	class	whole	
you	come		old	grass	any	
your	some		cold	pass	many	