

Oak Class Newsletter – Autumn Term

Welcome

Mrs Price, Miss Ordidge and I hope that you have had a relaxing and enjoyable break and are now ready to get back into routine. Although I've had the pleasure of conversing with several of you already, I'll be available at the classroom entrance daily to introduce myself and address any questions you may have. Please don't hesitate to come and say hello; I'm really excited to work collaboratively with you through this year. Miss Betts

PE and Forest School

PE – Weds and Thurs. Please ensure indoor and outdoor kit is in school on both days.

Forest – Weds. Again, please ensure full kit (including waterproofs and wellies) are in school on that day.

Both PE and Forest form essential parts of our school curriculum in the same way that maths and art do, so please help with the organisation of kit to make sure pupils can get the most out of all these sessions.

Reading and home learning

Please aim to read at home at least three times a week. Children will read regularly with adults in school also. When your child reads at home, please update their school planner with if they have practiced their reading of their spellings, we will do the same at school. Those who do so will have the opportunity to earn plenty of dojo points!

Home learning will be distributed on **Fridays** and should be returned by the following **Thursday**. **These assignments will include spelling practice and a maths activity.** The spelling lists for the first half of the term will be provided in your planners this week.

Towards the end of this half term, we will be going on our first trip of the year so please look out for a letter over the coming weeks.

We will also be holding a parent workshop after October half term. Again, details of this will be sent out in the coming weeks.



Our topic this term:

Vicious Vikings



This half term our class are going to be...

Writers (Literacy): This term we will continue reading our class book 'The Viking Boy'. We will be writing narratives, instructions, recounts, letters and poetry.

Mathematicians (Maths): We will recap number and place value before moving to the four operations and converting units.

Geographers (Geography): We will be looking at what life is like in the Alps.

Scientists (Science): Initially, we will focus on materials. After half term, we will focus on evolution and inheritance. This will also be linked to our class books in Autumn 2 'Moth' and 'Darwin's Dragons'.

Techies (Computing): During this term, we will look at online safety and coding.

Athletes (PE): This term, we are going to be focusing on Football, Netball and Gymnastics in PE.

Theologians (RE): We will be discussing what does it mean if Christians believe God is holy and loving and then comparing the story of creation to the scientific theory of the Big Bang and discussing whether the two theories conflict or compliment each other.

Good citizens (PSHE): We will predominantly be focusing on relationships and families. We will also look at staying healthy and our wellbeing.

Artists (Art): We will be focusing on specific artistic skills such as sketching and drawing self-portraits, as well as looking at the sculptures and 3D art.

Creators (D&T): Our project this term will involve designing and building bridges.

Linguists (French): This term we will be focusing on describing portraits and meeting my family in French.

Musicians (Music): We will be focusing predominantly on film music and composing music linked to Ancient Egypt.