## Oak Class Parent Information Leaflet

## Spring Term 2023

Happy New Year!



I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and spent some time with loved ones! We've got lots more fun things to learn about this term so I hope you're all well rested!

Please see the school website and visit the Oak Class page for the topic homework for this term. Don't forget to check the blog and see what we are up to. QR codes can be found in your child's diary for quick access.

I am available at the start or end of the school day if you have any questions or concerns. However, an appointment can be made if you would prefer a more discreet conversation. We will be using home/school diaries for communication too, which will be checked daily, so please ensure they are in school every day and checked at home.

Just wanted to say thank you for a lovely first term up to Christmas and for helping me settle into my new role here!



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#### Mathematics

During the Autumn term our Year I objectives include...

- Addition and Subtraction to 20
- Shapes and Patterns
- Height and Length
- Numbers to 40
- Addition and Subtraction Word problems.
- Multiplication
- Division
- Fractions

During the Autumn term our Year 2 objectives include...

- Length
- Mass
- Temperature
- More Word Problems
- Money
- 2D Shapes

Please support your children by ensuring that they are completing their maths homework activities each week, these will be set online this term using resources such as Purple Mash and Mathletics.

## English

During the Spring term, most children will develop their reading and writing skills through daily Little Wandle phonics sessions. Children will continue to learn to read and spell their tricky words. We will be reading lots of exciting stories in our English lessons relating to our different topics. We will be practicing our handwriting, beginning to or continuing to join our letters in a cursive style. Little Wandle reading sessions will take place 3 times a week and will develop comprehension, and word-reading skills and allow children to read and discuss a variety of texts as a group. There will be lots of time throughout the week for children to choose to read or hear stories, poems and non-fiction texts read aloud to them.

## What are we learning about this term?

#### Happy Holidays

In Geography, children compare UK to a non-European holiday destination eg Florida.

In D&T, children will begin to find out about where food comes from and what they might eat on holiday.

#### All Year Round

In Science, we will consider different seasons and how weather changes.

#### London's Burning

In History, children ask and answer questions about this historical event and use simple sources of information.

In D&T, children design a simple product, such as a bucket, that could carry water.

In Computing, children use a search engine to input questions about the fire.

#### Fur, Fish, Feathers

In Science, children name, sort and classify different animals based on appearance and diet.

RE - We will explore - What do Muslims believe? Why is Easter important to Christians?

PSHE - We will explore - Me and My Safety and Happy and Healthy Me.

PE - PE will be on Monday and Friday each week. Please ensure PE kits are worn to school on these days and that jewellery is removed for health and safety reasons. Water bottles should be in school daily.

Forest School - Forest School will take place on Monday afternoons <u>AFTER</u> February half term. There will be no Forest School during the first half of the term.

Music - Music will be led each week by Miss Thornton and will link to our topic work.

#### Homework Expectations

A homework sheet with the topic homework for the first half of the Spring Term can be found on the school website (one will then be added for the second half of the term after February Half Term). Please complete 4 pieces each half term. Your child will receive feedback about their homework and will have the opportunity to share their work with the class.

Weekly Maths homework tasks will be set using online resources such as Purple Mash and Mathletics. Please ensure this is completed weekly.

Please read for 5-10 minutes with your child at home each day and record this in their diary.



### Important information for the Spring Term.

## Weekly PE Lessons: (Monday and Friday)

PE will be on Monday and Friday throughout the first half of the Spring term. On these days please ensure that your child comes to school wearing suitable school PE kit (see uniform policy for further details). We will try to continue



with outdoor PE lessons (where possible) so therefore your child needs to be dressed suitably (this includes suitable footwear). On these days, please can you also ensure that all jewellery is removed (including watches and earrings). Named water bottles should be in school daily and can be refilled throughout the day.

# Weekly Forest School Activities: (Mondays—<u>after</u> half term)

Mrs Jones will be running our Forest School sessions each week, therefore, in order for this to take place the children will need to be dressed appropriately. Our forest school session for



the 2nd half of the Spring term will be on a Monday. Your child should come to school in suitable outdoor clothing and you will need to bring a waterproof coat and suitable footwear e.g. a pair of wellies or walking boots. You are welcome to leave wellies/walking boots in school as we will be using them for playtime and lunchtimes on the field during the week. We will try and complete the forest school activities in all weather conditions so please consider this



