



Oak Class

Autumn Term 2023

Welcome back! I hope that you all had a lovely summer holiday. The main focus for the beginning of the Autumn term will be settling the children into their new year groups. There will also be an opportunity for you later on in the term to talk to me about how your child is settling in. The children will be taught using a cross-curricular approach and this term they will be exploring the following themes:

- Ocean Adventures
- Happy, Healthy me
- Castaway
- Time Travellers
- Journey to the North Pole

Please remember to look on the school website in the 'Oak' section for our topic homework and to check your child's home-school diary regularly. It will be lovely to hear from you about how your child is getting on with their learning at home. If you have any questions, then please see me on the gate at the end of the day or put a message in the diary.

Mrs Devenport

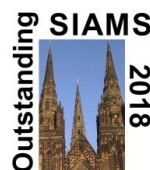
Home-School Diaries

Please look in your child's home-school diary daily as this is an important way for us to communicate with each other.

Medical Information

Please inform us if your child's medical status should change. For example the need for an inhaler or development of an allergy.

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Curriculum Overview

During the term the following curriculum areas will be covered:



Ocean Adventures

In Geography, the children will use maps and atlases to locate countries, oceans and hot/cold places. In Art, the children will create an underwater collage using a range of materials including paint.

Happy, Healthy me

The children will examine what it means to be happy and healthy, making links between physical and mental health. Having learned about diet and exercise, they will create a leaflet aimed at children for a doctor's surgery.

Castaway

The children will find a treasure chest with a selection of materials in it and will have got to work out how many different uses there are for each. The children will compile a survival manual explaining which materials are best for what. In D&T, they will design and make a shelter from a selection of materials based on their properties.

Time Travellers

The children will draw comparisons between two significant pioneers from the past. They will recount one of the journeys. In History, the children will compare the two pioneers, using a range of sources and looking for similarities and differences. In Computing, the children learn how to stay safe online, in the context of using the Internet to research.

Journey to the North Pole

Using a range of texts about a Christmas journey, the children will develop their language and vocabulary. In Art, the children will experiment with a range of brushes and mix paint to produce secondary colours.

PE - Dance will be taught by Miss Thornton, PE is also delivered on Thursday by Time 4 Sport

Music - Taught by Miss Thornton

RE - Who made the world? Why does Christmas matter to Christians

PSHE - Me and my school & Me and my relationships

Computing - Technology around us & Digital painting

Maths

During the term the following areas will be covered:

The children will be taught maths using the 'Maths No Problem' scheme. Below is a brief outline of what will be covered for each year group.

Maths—Year 1

Numbers to 10

Number bonds

Addition and subtraction within 10

Numbers to 20

Addition and Subtraction within 20

Shapes and patterns

Position

Height and length

Maths—Year 2

Numbers to 100

Addition and subtraction

Multiplication of 2, 5 and 10

Multiplication and division of 2, 5 and 10

Length

Mass

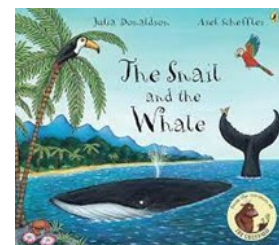
Temperature

Pictograms

English

The children will consolidate and develop their understanding of word classes (nouns, adjectives, verbs, adverbs, preposition phrases) and apply this to the sequencing and retelling of a story. They will also create a leaflet aimed at children for a doctor's surgery.

In the second half of the term, the children will compile a survival manual explaining which materials are best for what. In addition, they will write a recount about the journey of a significant pioneer.



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Additional Information

PE

PE will take place on a Thursday and Friday for the first half term. The children need to come to school wearing their school PE Kit. Long hair needs to be tied back and earrings need to be removed. After the October half-term holiday, PE will then be taught just on a Thursday.

Forest School

Our Forest School session for the Autumn Term, led by Mrs Jones, will take place each Monday during the second half term. Therefore, the children will not be having Forest School until after the October half-term holidays. The children will need to come to school dressed appropriately for the weather. They may need; waterproof trousers and jacket, warm hat and gloves, sunhat, extra socks with wellies, extra base layers.

Homework

Maths— This will be set each week on a Friday and needs to be completed by the following Thursday. This will be set online using the Mathletics or Purple Mash websites

Topic— At least 4 pieces of homework should be completed each half term from the topic homework sheet and returned to school. Please ask if you require any writing paper.

Reading Books

Your child will receive 3 reading books each week. One book is for them to share with you for pleasure and they will choose this from the library. One book is a shared reading book, that you can also support your child to read. They will also be allocated a Little Wandle phonics book online on a Friday. This is a book that they have been reading in school and should be able to read independently to you. It is very important that your child reads this book to you at home. It will give them an opportunity to apply their phonic knowledge at home and show you everything that they have been learning in school. Please use the login details in your child's diary to access these books.

Please comment in the home-school diary to let me know how your child is progressing with their reading books. New shared reading books will be chosen by your child on a Thursday.