



Welcome to Oak Class

Hello,

It has been lovely to see the children back to school and settled into our routines after the Easter holidays. We hope that you have had a restful break and that the children are looking forward to all the learning and experiences in the term ahead! We are looking forward to our upcoming residential trip and the topics we are due to cover.

For your diaries – P.E will be on a Thursday and Friday afternoon. Forest School will take place on a Monday morning. Please ensure P.E kits are in school and the children have appropriate clothing to wear for forest school. Our residential will take place on Wednesday 6th May – Friday 8th May.

Kind regards

Miss King, Miss Brandrith and Miss Ashall.

English

This term in English, the children will:

- Focus on writing an instructional text – How to grow a plan followed by a transformational narrative
- After half-term, we will be writing a friendship story in the style of a narrative, followed by a focus on poetry
- Learn to analyse texts, becoming familiar with their structure and applying them to our own writing
- Concentrate on drafting, revising and editing their independent writing

Maths

This term in Maths, the children will consolidate and develop:

- Decimals including percentages and how they link to fractions
- Money, time and shape
- Statistics, position and direction

History

We will be learning about how the Anglo-Saxons impacted on Britain today. We will learn about why they settled in Britain, the arrival of Christianity, the rule of King Alfred and why Anglo-Saxon rule ended.

Science

For the first half term, we will be studying: Living things, classification and changing habitats followed by making connections after half term.

Geography

After the half term break, we will begin our geography topic, “What are rivers and how are they useful?”

PE

This term your child will be having PE on Thursday and Friday Your child will change into their PE kit at school so please make sure all items are named and in a named drawstring bag. You will need to refer to the uniform policy on the website for the full kit list. Please note that leggings are not part of the PE uniform.

RE

For the second half of the term, we will be thinking about: Does the language of scripture matter?

Computing

We will look at Programming with a focus on computational thinking, as well as the importance of online safety.

Art/Design Technology

We will be exploring drawing and power prints during the first half term. Following this, we will be focusing on cooking and nutrition: adapting a recipe, for DT in the 2nd half term.

Music/French:

We will start the half term exploring French foods and simple conversations that may occur in a French Café. Next half term, in our music lessons, we will be adapting and transposing motifs to the theme 'Here Comes the Romans'.

PSHE:

This half term we will focus on citizenship and human rights, followed by economic wellbeing next half term.

Forest School

Our Forest School day is Monday afternoon with Mrs May. Please refer to the school website and click on the 'Forest School' tab for more information.

School Trips

Our Bush-Craft Residential is booked for Wednesday 6th May – Friday 8th May. Please refer to the information already provided.

Homework

In order to support and consolidate your child's learning this term, homework will be given out on a Friday and due back the following Thursday.

Reading: Please hear your child read their school reading book regularly. These books must be brought into school each day and will be changed once they have been read at least three times. Please record in the Reading Record book that your child has been heard to read.

Spellings: A spelling list will come home on a Friday. Please work on these spellings each day ready for their spelling challenge the following Thursday.

Maths: Home learning for maths will initially focus on multiplication and division but may also link to the current topic being taught in class.

Website and Newsletter – <http://www.overstone-wing.bucks.sch.uk>

Remember to check the 'Latest News' on the school website to keep up to date with what is happening. The school newsletter will come out on the last Friday of the month and will celebrate what we have been up to and will tell you what is coming up in the next month. This will be sent to you via Parent Mail.

Behaviour & Rewards

Dojo points – These are given to children demonstrating the school values, e.g. sharing a good piece of work or demonstrating good manners. The children will receive certificates to mark 50-point milestones.

Sharing outside achievements – Children will be able to share achievements from outside school in celebration assembly, e.g. swimming badges.

Weekly certificate – One child in each class will receive a values certificate in celebration assembly for showing the school values.

Governor award – This happens termly. One person from each class who we feel consistently demonstrates the school values, will be chosen to be awarded with a Governor Award. These children will be presented with a gold badge to be worn on their uniform.

Headteacher postcard – These are awarded to children when they are sent to the headteacher for demonstrating good behaviour, completing good work and for clear evidence of showing the school values.

Equipment

Please send your child in each day with a clear named drinks bottle filled with water which can be refilled throughout the day. Your child does not need any specific stationery, equipment or a pencil case for their lessons as we will provide pencils etc. Please make sure your child has a waterproof coat for school which is clearly named.