Curriculum Information



Oak

Spring Term 2019

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Trash to Treasure

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!

Our topics for this term are...

<u>Me and My World</u>

<u>Geography</u> - Children will find out about the wider world by using atlases and globes. They will learn about the continents and oceans, as well as the countries that make up the United Kingdom. Children will also explore ways we can help improve the environment, including finding out about reducing, reusing and recycling

Materials

<u>Science</u> – Children will name and sort different materials and investigate the way materials change when twisted, squeezed, pulled, heated or cooled.

Upcycling

<u>Design Technology</u> – Children design their own treasure chest with compartments and a clasp, based on their chosen rubbish. They will then upcycle their rubbish into a treasure chest or jewellery box.

Programming Robots

<u>Computing</u> - Children will follow, write and debug instructions for programmable robots. They will also predict the outcomes of given programs. As part of Safer Internet Day 2020, children will continue to learn about staying safe online with the help of Super SID!

Other subjects:

<u>P.E.</u> Friday – Gymnastics with Sam Dronsfield (indoor PE kit)

Monday or Tuesday - PE or outdoor activities

P.S.H.E. Relationships – who are the special people in my life?

Music I wanna play in a band!

R.E. How do Jews celebrate Passover?



English:

English involves the development of speaking and listening, reading fluency, comprehension and writing skills. Children will have many opportunities to develop their reading and comprehension skills both in the classroom and during weekly guided reading sessions. They will also be able to apply their skills across other areas of the curriculum during their topic work. Over the course of the year, children will experience a range of narrative, non-fiction and poetry texts.

This half term, we intend to explore stories and non-fiction, and use vocabulary related to environmental issues. Children are welcome to bring in books related to the topic.

You can find specific objectives for the half-term on your class page of the school website.

Mathematics:

In KS1, our aim is to ensure that pupils develop confidence and mental fluency with number, counting and place value. Our learning begins in a very practical way before moving to more formal methods. Children will also explore shapes, measurements, position and direction.

The children's ability to 'reason' will be developed throughout all of their mathematical work as they are encouraged to explain how they have reached solutions to problems.

This half term, we will be focusing on formal methods of addition and subtraction, money, and multiplication and division.

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Homework & Spellings

<u>Weekly Tasks</u>: Each Friday, your child will be set a homework task. This may be a written piece, some research or an online task from Sumdog or School 360.

Spellings: Spellings will be set and tested each **Friday**.

<u>Mental Maths</u>: Times tables and number facts will be tested on a weekly basis. Please practise these regularly with your child at home.

Reading: Please ensure your child has read in time for their weekly Guided Reading session so that they are able to participate fully. It also helps us out enormously if you have written a comment in their reading record each week. Please tell us if your child has found their reading book challenging or too easy. In addition, you could record their ability to understand the text and answer any questions you may have asked.

Children from Oak Class will read on either a **Tuesday** or **Thursday** – this will be specified in your child's reading record.

Other ways of helping your child:

- Visiting the library to look for books to support our topic.
- Using the Internet to research our topic.
- Discussing what has been taught at school.

School Closures

Here are some suggestions for activities in the event of a school closure:

- School 360
- www.bbc.co.uk/schools
- Keep an illustrated diary of your day at home

We would be extremely grateful for donations of:

Spare PE kit

