

Oak Class Newsletter

January 2018

A warm welcome back to all after the Christmas holidays! The children have settled well into the term and back into the classroom routine. It was a very exciting first day back as a magic beanstalk had grown in our classroom!

Our Spelling Project is up and running again for the new year. All classrooms have displays on which the children can show and celebrate their spelling achievements. Please send in any work that your child does at home so they can feel proud of their efforts. The children have enjoyed putting their spelling work on our display wall (photo on the back). It would be wonderful if we had some more to add to the board this term!

Our school topic for this half term is: Green Machines

Our enquiry question is: What powers do plants have?

English

In English we will be exploring the story Jack and the Beanstalk by looking at alternative stories and endings. We will even have a go at thinking of our own story!

We will also be looking at non-fiction texts to support us develop our skills in explanation.

English in Sycamore Class

In English we will be reading lots of versions of Jack and the Beanstalk with the view to writing our own versions with alterations. We will also be looking at explanations texts and creating diagrams showing the life cycles of plants.

Maths

We have revisited place value to begin with and because of our beanstalk we have been given a lot of opportunities to begin developing our measuring skills! We will also be learning time, fractions and shape.

Maths in Sycamore Class

In Maths we will be extending our knowledge of place value, addition and calculation to numbers beyond 20. We will also be exploring time and beginning to consider fractions of number and shape.

Learning Across the Curriculum

Throughout this term our topic focuses on plants. We have talked about what we already know and what we would like to learn more about this term.

We will be planting a magic bean into a pot and watch it grow this term. We will find out that for our plant to grow it will need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

We will continue to develop our art and design skills by looking at different artists and their work.

Reminders

PE kits to be in school and for everything to be named please. Girls to have hair up for PE and we strongly recommend earrings are removed or taped.

Parent/ Teacher evenings will start on Friday 16th March – Wednesday 21st March.

How to Support at Home

Look out for your regular look, say, cover, write, check sheets and for spellings on Tapestry. We would love to hear your views and feedback through the comments section on Tapestry.

Class Dates

Year 1 Maths Café – Tuesday 26th January 9:00-10:00am
Reception Reading Café – Tuesday 23rd January – 9.00am-10.00am
Sharing Afternoons – Thursday 1st February and Thursday 15th March.
Parents Evenings - Friday 16th March- Wednesday 21st March.
Oak Class Assembly- Friday 23rd March 2:30pm