

# Oak Class Newsletter

October 2019

Welcome back after half term!

It's been great to see the different ways in which children have been using the Home Learning organisers to create exciting projects and celebrate learning at home. We have been also sharing these during class time. Please refer to the Knowledge Organiser for this half term's ideas of learning at home to get involved in. Don't forget to add any home learning on to Tapestry for us to share with the class on a Friday afternoon!

It's shaping up to be a busy half term with lots of exciting learning to bring to life and festive activities to look forward to.

Mrs To and Mrs Jackson

## Our school topic for this term is: **Bright Lights, Big City**

### Bright Lights, Big City Part 2!

This half term we will be learning about the past through the history of The Great Fire of London. We will be making fire themed pictures using different textures in Art, practise singing the song *London's burning* in Music using instruments and will be learning about the Geography of London compared to the rest of the UK.

The children will also be involved in designing and making models of Tudor houses in Design Technology, whilst comparing how news would have travelled in the past compared to our technology now. In English we will be exploring poetry, telling stories in first person and writing short diary entries.

In Maths we will be continuing a number focus per day in Reception and working on addition and subtraction in Year 1.

#### Class Reminders

**Reminder to bring in cardboard boxes** for making a Tudor house for the second week back – thank you!

Our **Library visit is on Friday afternoons** each week. Please bring in library books then to change.

Oak class do **PE on Mondays and Fridays** (*Please note we have now moved PE to a Friday*). We will be learning and performing dance this half term.

Please remember to check that **all items of clothing are named including shoes and hats**. Wellies will need to be kept in school for Wednesday afternoons and on wet days.

Please continue to **read every day with your child at home**. We will check book bags daily and change books once a comment has been written in their reading record.

#### Class dates

##### Oak Sharing afternoon 2.45

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November

##### Parents/Teacher Progress Meetings

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Open Afternoon – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November

##### Christmas Plays

Reception: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> (10.45am) and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December (9.30am)

Year 1/2: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> (9.30am) and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December (10.45am)








##### Oak Christmas Café

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2.00 – 3.00 pm

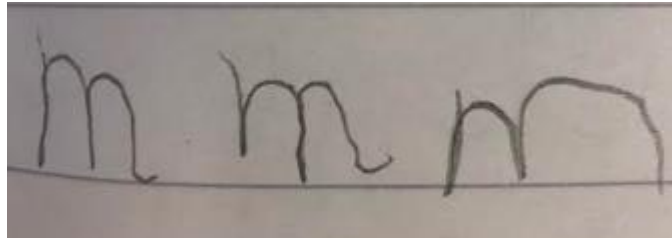
Christingle – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December (Children only)

The whole school project this half term is handwriting.  
 We are using the handwriting ditties to help us form our letters correctly.  
 Here are examples of expected letter formation for Autumn Term.







One armed robot family

						
Down the robots back and curl over his arm.	Down Nobby and over his net.	Down Maisie, mountain, mountain.	Down the pirates plait and around his face.	Down the head, to his hooves and over his back.	Down the laces to the heel and around the toe.	Down the kangaroo's body loop tail and leg.







## Reception



Curly caterpillar family

					
Curl around the caterpillar.	All around the orange.	Around the apple and down the leaf.	Around the dinosaur's bottom, up his tall neck & down to his toes.	Around the girls face, down her hair and give her a curl.	Round her head, up past her earring, down her hair, and flick.

long ladder family

					
Down the long leg.	Down the tower, across the tower.	Down the body and dot for the eye.	Down his body, curl, dot for his eye.	Down a horn, up a horn and under.	Down and under, up to the top and under.

## Year 1

