

Oak Class Newsletter

January 2020

Happy New Year!

Welcome back Oak class, we hope you had a lovely time over the holidays. A new year brings along many exciting changes, especially in Oak class. We wished good luck and a farewell to Miss Hines and Mrs Hanson during the end of last half term and we would like to welcome Teaching assistant Mrs Orme who is now working with us in Oak. Miss Tims will be also joining Oak team working alongside Mrs To and Mrs Jackson in the second week of January to get to know the children before taking on the role of class teacher when Mrs To goes on her Maternity leave.

Mrs To and Mrs Jackson

Our school topic for this term is: Near and Far

Near and Far!

During last half term we explored Bright Lights, Big City. This half term we are looking forward to our new topic of Near and Far. We will be learning about where animals live, what they eat and where they are located on the world map. We will be learning about famous scientists Charles Darwin and Sir David Attenborough and the different animals and habitats they discovered. We will be making a wide range of artwork including collage and designing our own habitats using shoe boxes. In P.E. gymnastics we will be moving in different ways imagining ourselves as animals.

It has terrible teeth and terrible jaws... we have begun to dive into the world of the Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson. We will be writing descriptions of the Gruffalo as well as creating our own mystical creature in the woods. In maths we will be investigating place value by looking at tens and ones and one more one less of a number.

Class Reminders

Our **Library visit is on Thursday Morning** 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 gymnastics 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

Reception Reading Café:

Thursday 23rd January 9.00 a.m. -10.00 a.m.

Year 1 Maths Café:

Tuesday 21st January 9.00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.

Oak Sharing afternoon 2.45p.m.

Thursday 6th February

Parents/Teacher Progress Meetings:

Friday 7th February 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Monday 10th February 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Tuesday 11th February 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Wednesday 12th February 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Parent Forum:

Friday 14th February 9.05 a.m.

This half term we are learning about how we can continue to improve ourselves by making New Year's Resolutions. As a whole school we will be improving our table manners, thinking about how to have positive playtimes and showing respect by listening to each other.

*We want to improve our
handwriting*

*We want to improve our listening
skills and we are excited to
explore the Gruffalo Story*

*We want to improve our sports
skills including, football,
swimming, skipping and
running.*