



Parent Curriculum Overview

Autumn Term 1 2024 Oak Class

From little acorns, mighty oaks do grow.

ENGLISH

Over the first few weeks, we will create our own mystery and suspense story based on Alma using a wide range of authorial techniques and begin to use advanced punctuation. We will continue to build our bank of ambitious vocabulary and embed our understanding of upper key stage 2 grammar and punctuation and the affect this has on the reader. Our non-fiction unit will focus on 'Talking Histories' where we will create an inspirational speech about an aspect of climate change we are passionate about. We will have weekly spelling teaching and reading teaching with a focus on key reading strategies.

MATHEMATICS

To start the term we will be recapping place value of numbers to 1 million. This will involve us writing, representing, ordering and comparing numbers. As our confidence grows, we will start to apply our understanding to solve problems and reason. We will then move on to 'The Four Operations' and learn the different calculation methods and BIDMAS. We will build our confidence with arithmetic and develop efficient mental methods. Children are encouraged to practise their times tables at home using TT Rockstars.

PSHE

This term our PSHE theme is 'Being Me in My World'. We will be exploring what it means to be a responsible citizen, our rights and responsibilities and the importance of democracy, having a voice and participating.

History

In History this half term, we will be focusing on how much power the senate had in the Roman Republic. We will find out about Romulus, the first King of Rome and how Rome became a republic. We will learn about Hannibal's attack on Rome and how Scipio saved the day!

COMPUTING

This term we will be developing our understanding of sharing information online. We will learn how to stay safe online and what information is appropriate to share and what information should be kept private.

Geography

In Geography this half term, we will be learning about the land and people have shaped the Rhine and the Mediterranean. We will explore the German city of Cologne and Rotterdam which lies at the mouth of the Rhine. We will discuss the location of the Mediterranean Sea and its surrounding countries and the Suez Canal.

FRENCH

The children will be developing their French vocabulary and practising their conversational skills. Over time, we will apply our understanding of the language to different situations and scenarios.

SCIENCE

In Science we will be learning about animals and living things. We will be learning the main parts of the circulatory system and describing the function of the heart, blood vessels and blood. We will also look at the affect exercise, lifestyle and drugs have on the body.

PE

This half term we will have one PE session with Arena on a Monday and our other PE session with Mrs James on a Friday. The children will be focusing on football and fitness. You will need your PE kit on both of these days.

RE

In RE this half term we will be learning about the family of Jesus and our big task asks the question, Why is the idea of 'Messiah' so important to Christians?

Art

We will be practising our drawing skills in Art this half term, using pens, pencils, chalk and charcoal. We will focus on continuous lines and the development of our sketching skills in our sketchbooks.

Music

In Music, we will be practising our Harvest songs and poems, ready to perform at the church! We will also start learning skills on the glockenspiel.

INFORMATION

PE: Full PE kits need to be in school every day and named! PE will be each Monday and Friday. Clothing needs to be suitable for different weather. Hair must be tied up and jewellery removed for PE.

Homework: This will be set every Friday and must be completed by the following Thursday. Children will be given weekly spellings as well as Maths homework. These spellings are part of the Year 6 National Curriculum and will be tested every Friday.

Reading: Please read with your child at least four times each week. Children will get the chance to change their books and complete 'Accelerated Reader' quizzes during the school day.

Maths: Please encourage your child/children to practise their times tables weekly using Times Tables Rockstars, which they can access using their login details.

Please make sure that your child has a water bottle in school every day.

I look forward to meeting you throughout the year.