

Lunch, Snacks and Toast

You can now order your child's lunch online – this will enable you to pick what you child has for their lunch and pudding. You can book a week ahead. To do this you will need to register – details for this are available from Mrs Johnson in the school office. Toast is available for children to purchase at morning playtime for 20p. Children can also a bottle of water with their toast for 50p. Please can you give any money to myself or Miss James in the morning. All children are provided with a mid morning healthy snack.

Uniform and PE kits

We are encouraging the children to change in and out of their Uniform/PE Kits independently as they are expected to be able to do this before they move into Year One.

Please ensure that all your child's uniform and PE kit is labelled – the children often take off their jumpers and then forget where they put them! Please can you also provide a change of clothing in case your child has an accident – we do have spare clothing, however it is more comforting for them to wear their own clothes.

Hot weather

Hopefully the lovely weather continues. Please ensure our child is protected from the sun by applying sunscreen, providing them with a named sun hat and a water bottle. Children can bring sunscreen into school however your child will need to apply this as we are unable to do this.

Wow work

We love to celebrate learning at home. Please fill in a WOW moment slip (found in by the lunch options) or upload in onto Tapestry. We will then share these in class.

Appointments

I am always available to see parents briefly before school. If there is something that may take a little longer then please don't hesitate to make an appointment for after school if there are concerns you wish to discuss.

Oak Class

Information Sheet

Summer 2017



Welcome to the Summer term, the children have come back to school ready to learn and keen to take part in a range of activities!

Topic

This half term our topic is 'Dinosaurs' where the children will be learning about different dinosaurs and how they lived. This will be taught through a range of adult directed activities such as carpet times and group activities as well as child initiated activities during 'play and learn'.

In the second half term we are planning to look at Minibeast. Within the foundation stage we work very closely with the children's interest so the topic is initially loosely planned and will be lead by them and is likely to change. All children work at different rates and so our activities are differentiated to ensure that they progress at their level.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will be continuing to develop their personal, social and emotional development. After half term we will start to think about and discuss moving to Year 1. We will have transition sessions for the children to spend time in Year 1, get to know their new teacher and the environment.

Communication and Language

The children will be continuing to develop key skills such as listening and following instructions, sharing ideas and opinions with others and extending their vocabulary by exploring the meaning and sounds of new words. They will work on answering how and why questions and expressing themselves effectively using a range of tenses.

Literacy

Over the term we will be helping children to develop their reading and writing skills by continuing with our daily Read Write Inc sessions. The children are now applying the sounds that they have learnt to read and write longer words. You can help by reading as often as possible with your child (books are changed every Monday, Wednesday and Friday). The children have been given tricky words – these are words that can not be sounded out and need to be learnt by heart, in both reading and writing. Please can you practice them at home with your child. You can also encourage children to write at home – such as shopping lists, stories and letters.

There is lots of information about Read Write Inc on: <http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/parents/>

The school has purchased a subscription to Phonics Play - this is a great website with games and learning tools for your child:

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

Username: sjcps

Password: acorn2

Mathematics

We will be continuing to work with numbers to 20 and beyond, recognising the numerals and put them in order. We will also be working on:

- Say the number one more/less than a given number.
- Add and subtract two numbers practically by counting on or back to find the answers.
- Solve different maths problems such as doubling, halving and sharing.
- Use the language of size, weight capacity, position, time and money to compare quantities and objects to solve problems.
- Sequence familiar events
- Read o'clock and half past times.
- Explore the characteristics of objects and shapes and use mathematical language to describe them.

Physical Development

In PE lessons the children will be developing their physical skills, playing games and undertaking dance and movement activities. The children take part in Funky Finger which helps children to develop their fine motor skills, hand to eye coordination skills and strengthening their muscles in their hands for their writing and drawing.

We will also be learning about healthy eating, how to keep healthy and how to stay safe.

Understanding the World

We will be focusing on similarities and differences with dinosaurs and other animals, comparing the dinosaur environment to our environment today. We will look at, discuss and compare different materials. Discuss why some things occur and changes that happen.

RE

In RE focus this term we will look at Easter, Pentecost and Mission, Prayers, Saints and Feasts, Sikhism and Hinduism. The children will attend Acts of Worship Assemblies on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. On Friday we have our Celebration Assembly at 9:10am which you are welcome to attend.

Expressive Art and Design

The children will be developing their creative skills by expressing their ideas and feelings through music, art, dance and drama. The children will be building a repertoire of songs and dances and will be given the opportunity to explore musical instruments. The class have continuous access to a large range of role play resources, construction and craft materials to aid their learning in this area.

Online Learning Journals: Tapestry

I hope that you are all enjoying using Tapestry our online Learning Journal. Please feel free to add comments or upload your own observations of your child.