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Welcome to Oak Class!



Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome to Oak Class and the start of the school year. My name is Mrs McCann and I am excited to be teaching Year 3!

This year our learning will be divided into topic areas. Please look out for the 'Topic Web' outlining the main areas of the curriculum that will be taught this half term.

We will focus on one topic per half term as follows:

Autumn Term 1a	Humans are animals too Nutrition / Skeleton / Animals
Autumn Term 1b	Amazing Amazon Rainforests /The tropics
Spring Term 2a	Set in Stone Stone Age /Rocks
Spring Term 2b	Wacky Races Forces / magnets / moving vehicles
Summer Term 3a	Art on the doorstep Local study / Light
Summer Term 3b	Rotten Romans Romans / Plants





Behaviour Expectations

When your child is in Oak Class, they should be learning all the time. My expectations will be clear and I will tell the children what I expect to see and hear during different activities. I will reward children with house points, a positive note home or moving their name up onto the 'star' and 'super star.' As a class we will be collecting marbles in a jar for a treat afternoon. Children will earn marbles when the whole class are making the right learning choices.

Their learning is of utmost importance, therefore disruptions are not acceptable. Poor behaviour choices will be first met with a warning. If the poor behaviour continues, a sanction will be given. The sanctions include minutes off playtime to talk with me about their choices, asking the child to swap places or calming down to regain control of their emotions. The school policy of three warnings leads to a lunchtime 'Time Out' session with a senior teacher. Parents will be informed about any recurring incidents.

Please speak to me if you are concerned about any behaviour issues.

Reading

Each child has a Reading Record, a reading book and a library book. Key Stage 2 use a system of reading called 'Accelerated Reader.' Children will complete a reading comprehension which will give them a level to choose their reading books from. After each book is read, children will take a quiz to check their understanding and then they will be able to choose a new book. This is a new system for them and it will take a couple of weeks to get up and running.

Please continue to listen to your child read and talk about what they have read. If your child has finished a book at home, please encourage them to write this in their Reading Record so we know to change their book.





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Home Learning

Your child will have a Homework book into which a 'homework web' will be stuck each half term. Children will need to choose one task to do each week and complete all five pieces by the end of the half term. Children can choose the order of the tasks. Homework books will be handed out on a **Thursday** and are expected in on a **Tuesday**. Please remind your child to complete one task a week, which is to be neatly presented in their Homework book.

A spelling list and times tables practice will be sent home on a **Friday** and there will be spellings and times table tests the next **Thursday**. To help your child, please practise these at home as much as possible.

PE and Learning Outside the Classroom

Oak Class will settle into a timetabled routine over the next few weeks and start our outdoor PE sessions. Please ensure your child has a named outdoor PE kit (including jogging / tracksuit bottoms, trainers and sweatshirt). Children will also need to have their Learning Outside the Classroom kit with them in school (wellies and waterproofs).

Children can leave their PE and LOTC kits on their pegs during the week.

I am really looking forward to getting to know the children! It will be great to meet you next month at the Parents' Evening. In the meantime, please feel free to come and talk to me at pick up time. If you wish to have a more in depth conversation or have any concerns, I am usually available after 3.15pm on a school day.

Many thanks,

Mrs Sam McCann

Year 3 Class Teacher

