

Spring Term 2 2020 Oak Newsletter

Time is just flying by and this half term is 6 weeks long. It will soon be Easter but before then we have lots more to learn and events to take place. Keep working hard on reading, maths, spellings and homework. In this newsletter you will find some important information about the curriculum this half term, class routines and events. If you have any questions please do come and speak to a member of the Oak team - Miss Parry ©



We are very much looking forward to our trip to Chester Zoo © Pictures will be on the website shortly after our return.

Information about the day to follow on the app.

Dates for your diary:

26th February - Ash Service in school (unfortunately no parents allowed due to space/ fire risk)

4th March - World Book day and Oak Class Booka Big Book Event @Oswestry School

6th March - Chester Zoo

20th March - World Down Syndrome Day - Odd/ funky socks and biscuit sale.

24th March - Parents Evening

31st March - Phonic Screening information for parents @ 3.15pm and 5.30pm (information to follow)

2nd April - Autism Awareness Day

2nd April - Easter Disco

3rd April - School closes for Easter

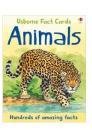
3 progress points a week...



Books this half term:









Please see overleaf for more curriculum information.

Please ask...

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Year 2 SATs information session and those planning to attend the Year 1 phonic information session. I hope they were beneficial in helping you to understand what happens in KS1.

If there are any resources or materials you would like extra to support your child or if you have any concerns then please come and speak to me. Nothing is too much and we just want to help.

Parents evenings can feel like a long time apart, if you wish to come and see your child's books please speak to Miss Parry.

PE

PE is a Thursday and
Wednesday with Border
Counties Gymnastics.
Please have kit for
indoors and outdoors
which is <u>labelled</u> - we have
lots of lost property
already. Please can hair be
tied back and earrings
covered or removed.

Homework and Spellings

Homework and spellings are sent home on a Thursday. Please return them to school on Tuesday. If you need any support or resources please come and see a member of the Oak team.

Please bring a named water bottle or cup



Many children are sharing cups throughout the day - this will spread germs and is not very nice for the children.

Spring Term 2 - Animal Magic

<u>Literacy - Fiction</u>: Stories involving adventure - extending what happens to the pets in the 'Great Pet sale'. We have covered lots of elements of SPAG already this year, new focus is on apostrophes for possession and contraction, we will be continuing to focus on commas in a list, punctuation, description including expanded noun phrases and adverbs for year 2. These will be covered throughout the whole half term in writing about animals.

Non-Fiction: Writing a recount of our trip to Chester Zoo.

Creating non-chronological reports s based upon our favourite animals.

<u>Poetry:</u> Writing poetry based on animals. Writing riddles, using description to write a poem and acrostic poems.

<u>Maths</u> - Year 1/2 programmes of study. (We have also sent home a copy of the objectives for the spring term so you can see what we are covering each week via the app).

<u>Science</u> - Pets & animal needs. Animal body parts, their diet (herbivore/carnivore/omnivore). Identify animals in the local environments & finding ways of sorting & grouping. Identify what animals need to survive. Look at the life cycle of frogs & butterflies. See if we can set up a test to find out which is a hamster's favourite food!

<u>Geography</u> — Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify countries, continents and oceans where different animals can be found.

<u>History</u> - Scientists/biologists who have discovered about the life of animals eg. Darwin.

 \underline{ICT} - Programming, algorithms and coding using Computers and Beebots. Using IPad to record and access animal apps.

 $\underline{\text{PE}}$ – Gymnastics with Border Counties and PE with Miss Parry – Hit, Catch, Run (tennis, rounders, cricket), and Wake Up Shake Up.

<u>Art and DT -</u> Rousseau animal paintings. Paintings in the style of the artist. Creating animal patterns to explore colour, pattern, texture, line, form and space.

<u>PSHE</u> - Relationships, valuing difference.

<u>Music</u> -Animal songs, using instruments to represent a sound, composing, chanting and singing.

Free School Meals

There are services available to help support you financially. Children can be entitled to Free School Meals. (Currently Year 1/2 have FSM paid for by the school and government). Please visit the website to check if you are eligible: https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals/

Snack

Children are provided with 1 piece of fruit each day. Your child can bring their own healthy snack for the afternoon.