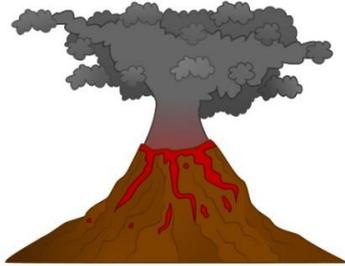


# Oak Class Celebration Newsletter Term 2 2018



## Volcanoes

Our topic this term has been volcanoes and the children have really impressed me with their learning. We started the term by building volcano shelters, trying to protect our cotton ball people from the hot ash and lava. During the term the children have learned about different types of volcanoes and how they are created as well as imagining what it would be like to live near one.

## Accelerated Reader

During the term we have been encouraging the children to read every day and we hope that you will help us, by setting aside at least twenty minutes of reading time a day. Reading is so important and will help in the build up towards the SATs, next year.

We allow the children to take their tests every morning and it can be on the books the children are reading at school or at home.  
Come on Oak class, get reading.



## Kensuke's Kingdom

We have really enjoyed reading Kensuke's Kingdom and when the class voted, it was decided that it was a better story than Cogheart. Everyone was glad that Michael and Stella were reunited with Michael's parents.



## Christingle

Everyone enjoyed making their Christingle candles in school. We learned about each element of the candle and the children were allowed to take their finished candles home.

Oak class loved taking part in the school's Christingle service, at the church. Mufaro, Alex and Danny did a great job at reading out our class prayers. The church looked wonderful for the service but took on a magical touch when all the children lit their Christingle candles.





## Prodigy

We are trialing Prodigy as a maths support for our Year 6 children. It is a system that builds its understanding of each child's understanding and alters its questions accordingly. This process is not instant so please bear with it, as it tries to assess your child's understanding. If you feel that your child is struggling please get in touch and I will contact the customer service department to re-assess your child's levels.

## Times Table Challenge

We have continued our weekly multiplication challenge where the children have to correctly answer 60 multiplication questions in three minutes. Each child follows their own challenge starting with their two times tables. Some of our children are doing wonderfully and have worked their way from their two, to their nine times tables.



## Attendance

Attendance has been great this term and Oak class have managed to win Groot three times. Fingers crossed we can keep it up and he will be visiting on many more occasions next term. One of the greatest impacts that the class's attendance has had, is on the children's progress which has been fantastic to see. All of the children should be very proud of themselves.



# Sneak peek for Term 3

## WWII

Our history topic for this term will be WWII.

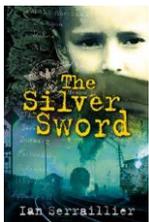


## Living Things and their Habitats

will be our science topic.

### Vocabulary list

Amphibians, binary, birds, consumer, classification, dichotomous, environment, fish, food chain, fungus, habitat, invertebrates, keys, mammals, micro-organism, mushrooms, nutrition, organism, predator, prey, producer, vertebrates



Our text next term will be **The Silver Sword** by Ian Serraillier. *Based on fact, this is an extraordinarily moving account of life during and after the Second World War.*

We are very pleased that we have managed to get a copy of the text for every child in the class.

Mrs Giles and myself hope that everyone has a wonderful Christmas break.

We look forward to seeing all the children in Term 3.