

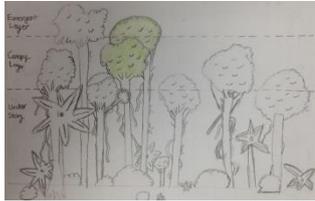


Oak Class Celebration Newsletter Term 2 2018



Biomes

Our topic this term has been Biomes and the children have really impressed me with their learning. We started the term by looking in depth about the rainforest biome and the children have transferred their learning when thinking about other extreme biomes. The children have shown all their new learning by producing 'exploding' books.



A lovely example of one of the children's canopy diagrams.

Christingle

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

Oak class loved taking part in the school's Christingle service, at the church. Keira, Amelia, Kian and Oliver did a great job of explaining to the school the different elements of a Christingle.



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We are continued using Prodigy as a maths support for our Year 6 children and it is wonderful to see how engaged the children have been. It is a system that builds its understanding of each child's level 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 through the first eleven stages.

We have also seen wonderful progress with the children's speed on Times Tables Rock Stars and we are all very proud of Mia, who currently holds the school speed record.



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, has been on the children's progress which has been fantastic to see. All of the children should be very proud of themselves.

Golden Leaf

Each week we have to choose a child that has particularly shone that week. As you can imagine some weeks it is an impossible choice. This term the children that have received a golden leaf are: Ellie-May, Tyler, Keira, Bailey, Kieron, Ellena, Mia, Amelia and Freddie.



Oak class have had a very busy term.

We have enjoyed dressing up for Children in Need, when we all came to school in our pyjamas. We loved the walk to the church to celebrate Christingle. We have had a creative term sketching and making collages of Teddy in art. The children enjoyed seeing how well they could wash their hands with help with a UV lamp. Keeping fit with some football coaching and making Remembrance poppies, that the whole school used to create a display on the school field. Once the children have enjoyed their Christmas holiday I know that there are lots of things to look forward to in Term 3.



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 - although the vocabulary was not so descriptive. Everyone was glad that Michael and Stella were reunited with Michael's parents.

Sneak peek for Term 3

WWII

Our history topic for this term will be WWII.



Animals, including humans will be our science topic.

Vocabulary list: circulatory system, heart, blood, blood vessels, pumps, oxygen, carbon dioxide, lungs, nutrients, water, diet, exercise, drugs, lifestyle

Our text next term will be **The Silver Sword** by Ian Serrailier.

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 I hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

