

Oak Class Newsletter

I can't believe we have already had our first term as Year 6!

I have been impressed with how the children have returned to class after such a lengthy break from school! They have worked incredibly hard in all their learning and have produced some really strong pieces of work which I have been proud of.

Keep up the great work Oak class! I look forward to seeing what term two brings!

TOPIC: Last term in topic, we explored the Victorians. We focussed on children- their education and the jobs they had to do. We also looked at Queen Victoria and her reign as Queen. On the last day of term we had a Victorian day where we celebrated all we learnt! Pictures below:



LITERACY: We started the year by reading a book called 'Here we are' we created a lot of work around this book from: story writing, description, persuasive posters and analysing pictures and short films.

After this, we started to read our class book 'Street Child' this book is based on a true story and is set in the Victorian times. We have done a lot of work around this already including: diary entries, character analysis, balanced arguments and setting descriptions.

SCIENCE: This term in science we explored evolution and inheritance. We explored the key terminology and theories of evolution and considered this alongside our RE unit of creation.

MATHS:

This term in maths we started with a re-cap of the key units from Year 5.

After this, we moved on to the Year 6 objectives, starting with place value, before moving on to addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

DT DAY: For our DT Day in Term 1, we made a popular Victorian toy called a Thaumatrope! We had to carry out research, plan, make and evaluate them. It was great fun! Pictures below:

Term 2 fun: Things to look forward to:

- David Attenborough film afternoon
- Christmas crafts and activities
- DT day



What is happening in Term

2?

LITERACY: We will start Term 2 by considering Remembrance. We will be looking at diary entries, newspaper reports and letters from WW1 and WW2 before having an opportunity to write our own.

After this, we will continue to read and finish our class book 'Street Child' Once we have read the book we will read the short text 'Polar Express' before Christmas!

TOPIC: This term in topic, we have a geography focus! So we will be looking at biomes.

We will be looking at the main biomes- exploring them in detail and then use this information and the presenting style of David Attenborough to create our own biome documentary!

MATHS:

This term in maths we will start by finishing off the 'Four operations' unit before we move on to fractions where we will be looking at: simplifying fractions, adding & subtracting and multiplying & dividing fractions.

SCIENCE: This term in science we will be exploring living things and their environments.

We will be gaining a better understanding of the key vocabulary as well as investigating certain areas.

HOMEWORK:

Times table and spelling test: Each week the children will be given a set of times tables and spellings to practice and they will be tested on these on a Friday.

Reading: The children have a reading book which we will monitor closely. We would like the children to read at least three times a week and record this in their book.

PE:

PE will continue to be on a Monday and Tuesday so please still keep coming in, in your PE kit on those days.

Our two PE units for the term are:
Fitness and Yoga.

RE:

Key question: What would Jesus do?