

Oak Class 2023 Spring Term Newsletter



This term our theme is **Lights, Camera, Action.**

Happy New Year! We hope everyone has had a wonderful Christmas and is looking forward to 2023! Oak class have come back to school really well this year and very excited to learn. Our whole school theme this term is *Lights, Camera, Action*. We will be using this theme to plan throughout all areas of the curriculum but also be following the children's interests as well.

Prime Areas

In *Personal, Social and Emotional Development*, we will continue to think about the characters from Planet Inspiration, that help us with our learning; perseverance, independence, communication, questioning, teamwork and creativity. We will be talking a lot about using our initiative and how we can help out in the classroom. We will also be talking about the feelings of others and being mindful of these.

In *Communication and Language*, we will be learning lots of new stories and poems, as well as writing some of our own riddles and rehearsing these. We will also be making some documentaries and having a go at filming them.

In *Physical Development*, we will be using all of our mark making practise to try and do some writing about different books and topics. We will also continue to play lots of games and do activities that include small movements to improve our finger strength. In our PE sessions, we will be focusing on . PE sessions are Wednesday and Friday. Every other Wednesday the children will have a P.E session with Mrs Hunter-Dale who is a specialist P.E teacher.

Specific Areas

In Literacy, we will be starting to recap on our Phase 2 sounds and learn our Phase 3 sounds. We will be using our Phonics to learn to both read and write this half term, with plenty of opportunities to practise both. We will also be doing lots of writing about the Titanic which we will be looking at in great detail!

Please try to read with your child every night as this really helps to embed their phonic knowledge as well as increase their fluency. We really appreciate your support with this!

In Mathematics, we will be looking at numbers up to and beyond 10, one more/less, 3D shapes, measuring and part-whole models. We will explore these in lots of different ways, both inside and outside the classroom.

When concentrating on Understanding the World, we will be thinking about the history of the Titanic and cameras and doing lots of activities designed around this. We will also be looking at maps and animals, making documentaries to tell others as well. We will also be celebrating Chinese New Year, trying some new food and making some decorations and also linking this in to learning about Buddhism. Towards Easter we will also be looking at Christianity and why Christians celebrate Easter.

In Expressive Arts and Design, we will be doing lots of digital art, making pictures on the computer. We will also be listening to and creating a range of different music and even doing some Irish dancing! As we move towards Easter, we will also be making lots of Easter crafts for the children to take home.

If anyone has any old cameras that they wouldn't mind donating to Oak Class that would be very much appreciated!

Dates for the diary

Friday 17th March- Oak Class Assembly

PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS AND WEBSITE FOR OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

You can help by:-

Talking to your child about what they have done in school.

Checking the home/school books every night.

Encouraging your child to be independent when getting dressed and undressed.

Putting names in all items of your child's clothing/shoes, including wellies and PE kits.

Telling us if anyone we don't know is picking up your child.

Bringing in bottle tops, cereal boxes, any anything else that we can use creatively!

Bringing in anything relevant to our topic – Lights, Camera, Action.

