

Summer term Newsletter September 2026

Meet the Team

- **Miss Cleary** – Class Teacher (all week)
- **Mrs Lewis** – Teaching Assistant (daily)
- **Miss Butterworth** – Teaching Assistant (daily)

Welcome back to all our returning Oak Class children, and a very warm welcome to all of our new children and families joining us this September!

A new school year means a fresh start, new adventures and lots of exciting opportunities to learn and grow. We are so excited to get to know our new children and welcome back those who already know and love Oak Class.

We have a wonderful year ahead filled with learning, creativity, fun and plenty of new experiences. We can't wait to see the children settle in, build new friendships, grow in confidence and make lots of happy memories together.

Here's to a fantastic new year in Oak Class! 🌳 ✨

Supporting Learning at Home

You can support your child by:

Talking about their day

Listening to them read

Encouraging completion of homework

Reading together is especially important as it supports fluency, confidence, and understanding across all areas of learning. We understand how busy school days can be, so even 1–2 pages a night makes a big difference.

Keeping in Touch

If you have any questions or concerns, **please speak to me directly** so we can arrange a meeting if needed. This helps us stay up to date and support your child effectively within the classroom.

You can also contact us via Class Dojo or email:

✉️ dcleary@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk

For urgent messages or attendance matters, please contact the school office directly.

Maths

This term, we will focus on place value, addition and subtraction, developing children's understanding of numbers and how they can be represented and manipulated. We will use practical resources, visual aids and lots of guided practice to support all children and build confidence.

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English

This term, our English work is based on Grandad's Island by Benji Davies. Using the Jane Considine approach, children will explore the story through engaging, structured lessons, developing their vocabulary, sentence writing and storytelling skills. We will also have regular reading and grammar sessions to build comprehension, fluency and confidence in writing.

We will have daily SPaG and phonics sessions to develop children's spelling, grammar, phonics knowledge, reading and writing skills.

Science

This term, children will learn about animals and their needs for survival. They will explore what animals need to stay alive and healthy, including food, water, air and suitable habitats, as well as how different animals meet these needs.

RE

Children will learn about what life was like when Jesus lived and how it was different from life today. They will also discover that Jesus was Jewish and followed Jewish traditions and festivals.

ART

This term in Art, children will explore painting and the work of Georgia O'Keeffe. They will experiment with colour, shape and different painting techniques, taking inspiration from O'Keeffe's artwork to create their own expressive paintings.

Geography

This term in Geography, children will explore continents, countries and cities. They will learn to identify and locate the seven continents and five oceans, explore different countries around the world, and begin to understand where some of the world's major cities are located.

Computing

This term in Computing, children will develop their basic computer skills and learn how to use technology confidently and safely. They will also explore online safety, learning how to stay safe, make sensible choices and know what to do if something online makes them feel uncomfortable.

PSHE

This term, children will explore Me and My Differences, learning about what makes us unique, celebrating our similarities and differences, and developing respect and understanding for others.

PE

Forest school will be on a Monday afternoon this half term.

PE is on a Friday.

Worship

Worship this term will focus on our school values: Thankfulness and Being Kind.

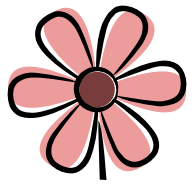
3 whole-school worships per week

2 class worships per week

Our VIP Award is presented during Friday's celebration assembly to recognise children who demonstrate our values and the VIP goal of the week.



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NOTICE!

- **Reading books will be changed every day as long as your child puts their book and reading record in the red reading box. If it is not in the red box, the book will not be checked and therefore will not be changed.**
- Please ensure your child brings a bag or folder daily for letters, books, and homework. This helps prevent items being misplaced and allows us to change books regularly.
- Please try to complete lunch forms by 6pm on Sundays to ensure your child receives their chosen meal.
- Arriving on time helps children settle calmly and ensures they do not miss important learning at the start of the day.
- If your child is unwell or absent, please inform the school office as early as possible on the day of absence.
- Class Dojo is a helpful way to share updates; however, messages sent to myself or Mrs Lewis will not be checked during the school day. Unless a message is urgent, these will be responded to at the end of the day or at the beginning of the next school day. For urgent matters, please contact the school office directly.
- If your child brings a snack to school, please ensure it is a healthy snack in line with school policy.