Oakdene Primary Academy

Curriculum Information for Parents & Carers
Autumn Term 2022
Willows

English

Reading:

- Daily Phonics First, Reading Workshop activities & Lexia.
- Weekly myON text & visit to school library,
- Weekly comprehension sessions including stories, poetry & non-fiction texts.

Writing:

- Book Review, Character Description, Artefact Descriptions, Alternative Story Ending, Recount of Visit, Report & Instruction writing.
- Talk for Writing, Talk Partners, Planning ideas using drawings & note making & re-reading to check it makes sense.

Handwriting:

- Weekly sessions to learn how to identify letter groups and write letters in the correct places on the lines.

Science

How has the use & suitability of materials changed in the home?

Focus: Uses of Everyday Materials

- Uses of materials inside the home & used in the building of houses.
- Investigation: Why do builders use paint?
- Compare materials used today with those used in the past.
- The use of plastic & the importance of recycling materials.

Art & Design

- Formal Elements of Art & Human Form.
- Pencil Self-Portraits, Observational drawings of Household objects and Toys from the past.
- Make Cup & Ball Toys, Florence Nightingale Lamps.

Design & Technology

- Investigate structures …
- Design & make a 'Home' for a story character e.g. Red Riding Hood
- Evaluate finished models in terms of stability.

Geography/History Topic: What is in the Oakdene Museum today?

- Discuss our Homes, Homes Around the World & Homes in our Local Area.
- Compare Homes, Household objects & Toys today with those in the past.
- Find out about the life of Florence Nightingale & why she was known as the 'Lady with the Lamp.'
- Compare Hospitals today with those in the past.
- Why is our NHS so important?

Recommended Reads:

- **The Hueys in the New Jumper** by Oliver Jeffers
- **Perfectly Norman & other stories** by Tom Percival
- **The Tunnel & other key author texts** by Anthony Browne
- **Traction Man** by Mini Grey
- **Little Red Riding Hood** a traditional tale

Personal Development

- Class Charters agreed
- Star of the Week, Star Reader & Star Writer in Celebration Assembly.
- Caring Friendships & Respectful Relationships (What makes a good friend?)
- Black History Month (1st - 31st October) Remembrance Day (11th November)
- Diwali (24th October) Guy Fawkes Night (Saturday 5th November)
- Road Safety Week (14th - 20th November) Universal Children's Day (20th Nov)
- Families & people who care for me (Who is in my family & who looks after me?)

Learning Outside the Classroom

- Local area walk to identify types of homes & their features.
- Follow a route on a map, recognise landmarks & key symbols used.
- Use simple compass directions & directional language when LoTC.
- Explore building materials used in our outdoor area e.g. The Gazebo
- Build a shelter as a temporary 'Home' in our Forest using either Tripod Structure/Lean to Shelter.
- Visit Preston Hall Museum & Park & 'Victorian Home' hands-on workshop.

Mathematics

Number:

- Read, write and order numbers up to 30.
- Number facts and bonds to 10, including doubles
- Finding 1 more/1 less
- Add & subtract two numbers using a number line.
- Ordering Numbers

Shape, Space & Measure:

- Name & describe the properties of 2D & 3D shapes.
- Recognise patterns & sequences in numbers & objects.
- Coin recognition.
- Position & Direction

Computing

- E-Safety - Become an 'Internet Protector'
- Digital Literacy - Learn to log on & use a computer
- Algorithms—Coding using 'Scratch Junior'

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Islam

- Why is the Qur'an a sacred book?

Christianity

- Why do Christians celebrate at Christmas?

PE

- Games - Bat & Ball Skills
- Gymnastics - Landscapes & Cityscapes

Music

- Weekly whole school singing session
- Topic related songs
- Kapow: 'Pulse & Rhythm' & 'Musical Me'
- Christmas songs linked to Christmas Nativity Production