



WELCOME TO OAK CLASS

In Oak Class we aim to grow using the symbolisms of an oak tree:

resilience endurance
honesty wisdom
strength courage

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Maths We will be learning about geometry with a focus on 2d and 3d shapes and angle measuring. We will also be learning about place value and decimals. We will also be look at Area and Perimeter.

In **English** we will be writing a flashback inspired by a film stimulus to develop our descriptive and emotive writing skills.

We will be writing persuasive letters inspired by the book The Wonder Garden to encourage action to protect an endangered rainforest species.

Reading Children are continuing to make great progress, please continue to encourage and support your child with their independent reading.

RE We will be continuing work on the question, 'What would Jesus do?' (Can we live by the values of Jesus in 21st century Britain?) Staff from Yorkshire camps will be coming to share their Christian perspective.

In **DT** we will be making Pulleys inspired by the Amazon rainforest that could lift something up to the top of the canopy.



PE will be on a **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**. Tuesdays we will be developing rounders skills and will be playing cricket with Kanga on Wednesdays.

Children need to leave a full PE kit in school.

No logos please, a school hoodie or plain black hoodie should be worn.

Children can bring a waterproof jacket/mac/top if they like for PE days as we will be out whatever the weather! Earrings should not be worn for any PE session; please help your child stay safe by removing their earrings on a PE day.

Uniform

Just as a reminder, school uniform is black school shoes not trainers. Earrings – only small, plain studs.

No other jewellery, make-up or nail varnish should be worn.

This half term we have a **Geography** focus- we will be finding out about The Amazon rainforest and finfing out why it is so important and the challenges it faces.

In **PHSCE** our focus will be Healthy Relationships

In **Computing** we will look at online safety and looking at our online presence.

Science

We will be learning about evolution, properties and changes of matter. Learning about material properties and how matter can change state from solid/liquid/gas.

Latin – we will be continuing to use Maximus programme from Classics for all.

Music – we will be looking at Samba and practising samba beats.

Homework

Maths homework is sent out every Tuesday evening and must be returned to school the following Monday. Times Tables test each Monday – keep encouraging your child to practise and use TT Rockstars. They each have their own login. **Year 6 will also have some arithmetic and reasoning homework questions this term.**

English homework is sent out every Thursday and must be returned the following Wednesday. Children will have reading and SPaG from this term.

The expectation is for all children to complete homework and hand it in on time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch:

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