

# Oak Weekly Newsletter

Friday 5th November 2021



## Home Learning

Reading their own books or their school books **to be recorded in reading records please.**

At least 10 minutes Times tables practice on TTRS every day.

Spellings set on Spelling Shed.

Maths set on Google Classroom.

## Attendance

***If your child is experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19, then please contact the office before bringing them into school. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.***

## Dear Parents

It has been lovely being back in school this week and seeing so many happy faces in class. I have enjoyed hearing about all the great things that the children have been up to during their week off! We have definitely had a jam-packed first week back and have got straight into our learning. The children have been incredibly enthusiastic in everything that they have done.

In English we have begun our new unit of writing, all about writing to entertain. To support us in our writing journey, we have started using a writing method called sentence stacking. The children have really enjoyed this and created some amazing sentences, I am really looking forward to seeing their writing develop as they continue through this process. In Maths we have continued to explore the four operations by moving onto multiplication and division, we have had the opportunity to use physical resources to really deepen our understanding in this area.

On Wednesday we were really lucky to have Karen Thomson from Torbay and Devon Civic Award come into school to talk to the children about the award. Karen was so impressed by the children and their enthusiasm for the award and she has asked if, as a school, we will become the pilot school for the new 'pledge to the planet' area of the award. It is a real honor to be asked to pilot this area and reflects how engaged and interested the children are in the award. We are all really looking forward to getting started. This is currently an award for Year 6 pupil's only, however Year 5 are keen to support their friends and are already thinking about what they can do when they get into Year 6!

Homework for this half term will be set on a Wednesday and will be due the following Monday. There will be reading and TT Rockstars as usual and, in addition to these, spellings on Spelling Shed and either a piece of Literacy or Maths on Google classroom. If there are any issues with log-in details or you would rather have a paper copy, just let the office know and I can arrange that for you.

Thank you for your continued support, I am looking forward to working with you all this half term.

Mrs Wood



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### **Star of the Week**

Our stars of the week are Verity and Evie. Verity and Evie have shown exceptional learning behaviours since returning to school this week. They have been ready to learn in every lesson, always ready with the correct equipment, always able to contribute to partner and class discussions and have worked hard in all lessons. On top of this, both Evie and Verity have shown a real commitment to keeping our learning environment a tidy place, spending their own time to ensure that equipment is put away and rubbish is placed in the bin or in recycling. They are real role models to the entire class. Well done!

### **Kindness Award**

Our award goes to Isla. Isla is always such a great member of Oak class, she shows our school value of respect in everything she does. She is kind to all members of Oak Class and the wider school, in particular supporting Willow class at the end of break time. Well done Isla, you are a great role model to the whole school.

### **Reader Award**

Our star reader is Betty. Betty has done lots of reading during the half term break and has made sure that she has used Accelerated Reader to test herself on the books she has read. This has really supported her comprehension skills which has definitely shown in guided reading lessons. Keep it up Betty!

### **Number Work Award**

This award goes to Sofia. Sofia has won our TT Rockstars challenge this week by answering 235 times table questions correctly in just five minutes! Amazing! Well done Sofia!



### **Important Dates**

**Cauliflower Christmas Cards deadline - Monday**

PE is on **Tuesday and Thursday.**

Forest School is on **Wednesday.**