

### Oaks Class Newsletter: Term 6



## **English**

Our writing this term will include:

A diary

A balanced argument about social media

Whilst working through these topics we will be focusing on the following:

In reading comprehension, we will be studying non-fiction texts, letters and a range of information texts and narrative stories linked to other areas of the curriculum.

In grammar sessions, we will learn how to:

Extend sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although; use a formation of nouns using a range of prefixes; use paragraphs as a way to group related material and recap

#### Maths

Year 3s will be learning about:

Time

Shape

Statistics

Consolidation of earlier units

Year 4s will cover all the above topics and:

Shape
Statistics
Position and direction
Consolidation of earlier units

We will also continue to develop our KIRFs and times table knowledge.

## Computing - Emails

This term, Oaks will be learning about emailing. They will be expected to think about the different methods of communication, open and respond to an email, write an email to someone from an address book, add an attachment and lastly, learn to email safely.

# RE - How and why do people try to make the world a better place?

This term, Oaks will begin this unit by identifying some beliefs about why the world is and is not always a good place and why there are good and bad deeds. They will then move on to describe some examples of how charitable organisations can help make the world better before thinking about how people in general can help make the world a better place. By the end of this unit, our class should know what it means to make a



## Science - Mirror, mirror



In this topic children work scientifically on a variety of quick challenges and longer tasks to learn about the wonders of light, including reflections and shadows.

## Geography - Coasts

In this unit, Oaks will learn about the coast of the British Isles. Throughout this unit, they will consider some of the advantages and disadvantages of living by the coast, and how much of the UK's coast has changed from a focus on fishing to one on tourism. They will also be introduced to a few contrasting coasts around the world, and associated environmental issues, extending their coastal and locational knowledge and encouraging critical thinking and presenting an argument.

#### DT - Photo frames

Oaks will be designing, making and evaluating their own photo frames. They will explore a range of existing products before planning their own design for a target audience. They will need to think about choosing materials that are suitable for this purpose as well as strengthening them so they do the best job possible.

#### French - At the weekend

Oaks will learn ten phrases for activities they may do at the weekend in French. They will also be presented with further extension on telling the time and opinions. Oaks will have the knowledge and skills to talk about what they do at the weekend, enabling them to create more detailed and personalised responses by the end of the unit.

#### Music -

Linked to our coastal topic, we will be exploring Mendelssohn's 'Fingal's Cave' before improvising and composing our own pieces of music exploring dynamics, pitch and texture. In preparation for our end of term production, we will continue to develop our performance of the songs.

## RSHE - Growing and changing year

We will be learning about growing and changing. We will be working on how we can prepare for changes so that we make positive and healthy decisions when they occur. We will talk about personal space, appropriate online behaviour, puberty and how to support how physical and mental health as we grow up.





## Support from Home

Please ensure children are reading daily and practising their weekly spellings.

Spellings will always be set on Spelling Shed and they will be updated every Sunday. Please ask for support if your child is unsure of how to log on.

#### Times Tables

Please continue to work at home by supporting children in learning any unknown tables and also practising previously secure tables to ensure they remain confident in these.

The school subscriptions to sites that are useful for home learning are:

Times Table Rock Stars, Purple Mash, Spelling Shed