

# Welcome to Oak Class

2025/26



# Who will be helping your child this year?

Teachers:

Mrs Atkins & Miss Grammer

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Escott, Mrs Lawrence, Miss Welch, Mrs Feltham, Miss Wong

PE: Mrs Mitchell

French, Music and PSHE: Mrs Andrews

Forest School: Miss Guildford



# New school year

Here are some useful tips to help your child's transition.

- PE will be on Wednesdays, so please come in PE kit then
- Forest School will be in the second half of the summer term
- Snack boxes and water bottles go into a shared box in the classroom, so please make sure they are named.

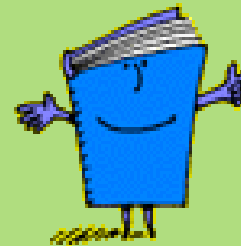


# Aiming High

Coming together as a new whole class can take time to settle. Some things that help us to do that.

- Every day we are watching our Secret Student! Hard work, kindness and success are rewarded with a smiley face and a class point. As a class we will be aiming for a special treat at the end of each half term. A child may miss a Secret Student treat if poor behaviour choices warrant this.
- The children will collect house points and Headteacher's Awards
- Values certificates can be earned by demonstrating one of our school values and will be awarded during Tuesday assemblies.
- Good behaviour at lunchtime is rewarded with tokens and the children work towards a class treat on Fridays if they win.
- Privilege Play – an extra playtime for any children that consistently show good learning behaviour, attitude and our school values. This will be 5 children each week.

# The Year Three curriculum



# Reading: the next steps

- Listening to your child read is the most important thing you can do to help.
- Reading with confidence and analysing what they have read.
- Working towards being a free reader
- Guided reading sessions in school in groups or as a whole class with a follow up activity.
- 1 to 1 reading for those that need some extra support
- New bookmarks – please feel free to write on here when your child has read, or use a tick/smiley face. They will be given a new bookmark each time they fill one up and we will keep these in school.
- Continue to read a range of books that extend their reading skills at home and at school.
- Please continue to read to them at home as well!

# English



- Jane Considine’s “The Write Stuff”
- Write independently in a way that interests the reader.
- Use a range of skills suitable for each form of writing.
- Use correct punctuation.
- Spell a range of words correctly.
- Daily spelling practice with a list of words that will be tested each Thursday.
- Work towards neat, joined handwriting

# Maths

Helping your child learn and practise their times tables using TTRockstars or other games is really important for their maths development (logins for this have been sent home)

**By the end of the year your children should ...**

- Know common number bonds; within 20, tens within 100, common bonds within 1000.
- Know times tables 2, 5, 10, 3, 4.
- Telling the time to nearest minute, calculating periods of time.
- Money; making amounts, giving change, calculating the difference.
- Converting between different units of measure, e.g.  $1000\text{m} = 1\text{km}$ .
- Introducing compact & column methods for addition and subtraction.
- Solving problems- APE (answer, prove, explain).

# A Broader Curriculum

- We will continue to teach all other subjects.
- French will be new and will be taught on Friday afternoons.
- We will be going on a trip to Cheddar Caves as part of our work on the Stone Age in History. We also will have visits from the museum to support our History and Science learning.
- Swimming – Queens. Assessment session in the Spring term and then lessons towards the end of the summer term. More details nearer the time.

# Keeping safe online

- E-safety lessons in school focus on:
  - keeping personal information safe.
  - knowing the difference between real friends and online friends.
  - knowing what to do if a situation online makes you feel uncomfortable.
  - knowing why it is important to act responsibly online.

# Online Safety information

Using the TEAM approach can help to keep children safe.

There is also more information on the school website and in the weekly newsletters.

The image displays four cards arranged in a 2x2 grid, each representing a step of the TEAM approach to online safety. The cards are: 1. Top-left (purple): A speech bubble icon, the text 'Talk about staying safe online.', and the acronym 'TEAM' with the 'T' circled. 2. Top-right (orange): A magnifying glass icon, the text 'Explore their online world together.', and the acronym 'TEAM' with the 'E' circled. 3. Bottom-left (green): A checkmark icon, the text 'Agree rules about what's ok and what's not.', and the acronym 'TEAM' with the 'A' circled. 4. Bottom-right (blue): Two interlocking gears icon, the text 'Manage your family's settings and controls', and the acronym 'TEAM' with the 'M' circled. At the bottom of the grid is a URL: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety>



# Homework

- Please continue to read with your child even if they are a free reader.
- Weekly spelling test- practise spellings on a sheet sent home - given out every Thursday for a test the following Thursday
- Logins for Spelling Shed and TTRockstars to practise.



# What do they need?

- To bring their reading book with them every day
- PE kit on Wednesdays
- Named water bottle and snack box



# Other useful things you can do with your child

- Doing up shoelaces – especially laces on trainers for PE days and football boots!
- Doing up coats
- Telling the time
- Money

# Three Way Agreement

- This will be for you and your child to sign.
- It covers all the basics that are needed for your child to be able to learn well.
- We will be talking to them about in school as well.

# Keeping you informed

- News, photos, links and activities can be found on our class page on the Trull School website.
- Parents' Evenings- October & February
- End of year report
- Email us on our class email, or make an appointment if you need to talk anything over.
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September – Sports Festival at Castle School

Any questions?