Oak class Autumn term 2026 learning overview.

History

History is a key focus, along with science, for our learning this term. The children will learn all about the civilisation of Ancient Greece. They will be able to place the period of Ancient Greece in time and understand how the physical geography of Greece shaped the ancient peoples. They will learn about the legacy that Ancient Greece has left us today: influencing the Arts, sports, medicine, law, language, science, mathematics, philosophy, architecture and even some inventions. They will use various sources of evidence to explore this and learn about the difference between primary and secondary sources of evidence.

English

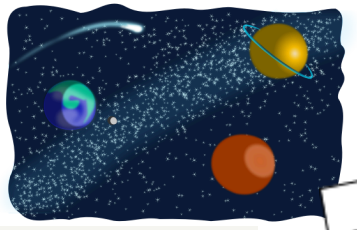
The focus of Ancient Greece this term provides the children with a wide variety of rich texts to explore. Our main text will be 'Who let the Gods out?' by Maz Evans and various Greek myths arranged by Geraldine McCaughrean. The children will be using the books as influences for writing in a variety of purposes, such as: to entertain, to inform, to explain, to inform, to reflect.

In reading, we will continue to practise a wide range of skills but there will be strong emphasis on widening vocabulary and understanding the context in which words are used. Also, how authors develop cohesion in writing and sharpening their inference skills.

There will be a continued focus on spelling and grammar daily.

Maths

In Maths, we use a mastery approach to teaching, following the NCTEM scheme of learning and Oak National Academy which allows the children to embed mathematical concepts at a deeper level and develop their ability to recognise these concepts when presented in a variety of representations. In Term 1, the children will be focusing on their calculating using this knowledge of structures. Following this, the children will be revising and consolidating their written methods for addition and subtraction, including decimals as well as multiplication and division.



Music

We are following the Charanga music scheme of learning. This term the focus is on melody and harmony in music and how music brings us together. We will also learn the basics of the recorder.

Science

Science is a key focus, along with history, this term. The children will learn about Earth and Space. They will use scientific evidence to describe the features of planets in our solar system. They will learn about the apparent movement of the sun across the sky and explain why we have seasons. They will also learn about the phases of the moon. They will learn about geocentric and heliocentric arguments. They will also learn about famous scientists and how they have influenced our knowledge today: Galileo, Copernicus, Herschel, Kepler.

RHE

RHE (relationships and health education) is a statutory requirement to be taught in schools. We will be following an excellent program by the PSHE association. This term the focus is friendships, stereotypes and bullying. Followed by mental health and well-being.
In addition, we will be embedding the schools' values in the daily practices of school life:
Honesty, Positivity, Respect, Kindness, Teamwork.

Art

The children will learn about typography and maps following the Access Art scheme.

RE

The focus this term is on Christianity. The children will learn about the Gospels and what Christians believe Jesus did. We use the Understanding Christianity framework and the Emmanuel Project to support teaching and learning in RE.

French

This term we will learn to ask questions using, 'comment' and, 'qui'. We will also learn plural adjectives, birthdays and dates.

PE

This term P.E. will take place on **Mondays and Fridays**; we are fortunate to still have 1:1 coaching to teach this. Our P.E. focus will be on netball, football and gymnastics. Please ensure your child brings to school their P.E. kit on these days.

Computing

The children will develop their understanding of computer systems and networks, focussing on communication and collaboration..