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Oak Class Newsletter – Autumn 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and the children have had a lovely summer and that they are ready to start their final year of Primary School!

Curriculum

This term our topic is '**Keep Calm and Carry on**', based on World War Two. For more information, please view our Topic Web, which will also be displayed on the school website.



Homework

Year 6 homework is slightly different to previous year groups, as it will focus on specific English and Maths tasks in readiness for the SATS assessments. On a Thursday, I will give the children one piece of homework to complete each week. This is to be returned

by the following **Wednesday**. Please also look out for weekly spelling lists, which will be handed out on Monday and tested the following Friday. Additionally, reading records will be checked every Tuesday. The children are expected to read for at least 20 minutes, three times a week and to record this in the diary (with details of the text title, pages read and a comment).



P.E.

This term, the children will have P.E. on Tuesday and Thursday. However, it is essential for the children have their kit in school every day. All children should have indoor and outdoor kit, such as shorts, t-shirt and trainers for indoor use, and tracksuit bottoms, a long-sleeved top and trainers for outdoor sessions.

Please ensure that your child's PE kit is clearly named.



During Term 1, the children will be attending Forest School on **Wednesdays** where they will need a change of clothing for outdoor activities. See separate letter for more details.

During Term 2, children will have swimming lessons on **Mondays**. You will also receive a separate letter regarding this.



Parents' Evenings

There will be formal parent / teacher meetings on 10th and 11th of November, when we will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress so far and targets for the year. A sign-up sheet will be available nearer the time.



Important Dates:

Term 1:

Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September	INSET Days – School closed to pupils
Wednesday 9^h September	Oak to start Forest School NSPCC
W.B. Monday 14th September	Speak Out, Stay Safe Week
Friday 25th September	Flu Vaccination Programme
Thursday 1st October	School Photographer
Friday 2nd October	Open Classroom from 3:15-3:45pm
Wednesday 7th October	Harvest Festival – Pupils Only
Friday 16th October	School Association Discos
Thursday 22nd October	End of Term
Friday 23th October	INSET Day – School closed to pupils

Term 2:

Monday 2nd November	Cultural Week and Oak start swimming sessions
w/c Monday 9th November	Anti-bullying Week
Tues 10th and Weds 11th November	Parents' Evenings
Friday 13th November	Children In Need
w/c Monday 16th November	Maths week
Tuesday 15th December	Christmas Church Service & Christmas Lunch
Thursday 17th December	Christmas Jumper Day, Singing Around the Tree, A Cosy Christmas Evening
Friday 18th December	End of Term

Timings/details and news on further events will be communicated with you via email.

Contact:

If you wish to make contact with me, there are a number of ways that you can do this.

- You could send a message (written or verbal) with your child.
- You are able to phone the School Office, who will be able to help you or pass on a message.
- Alternatively, I will usually be available at the end of the school day once all of the children have been collected and this would be a good time to have a quick conversation. A longer meeting can then be arranged at a mutually convenient time if required.
- Please remember that emails should be sent via the school office (office.3082@chesterton.oxon.sch.uk), who will forward your message to me if necessary, and you can expect a response within 3 working days.

Reminders

Below are reminder sheets to help encourage independence in your child. You could put it on the fridge or your child's bedroom door so they can ensure they have everything they need each day.

Kind regards,

Miss Baxter



Building Firm Foundations For Life

Autumn Term 1

Day	I need to take to school my...	Key events are...
Monday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Spellings given out
Tuesday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Indoor PE Reading Diary Check
Wednesday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle Forest School Kit	Forest School Homework handed in
Thursday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Homework handed out
Friday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Spelling Test

Autumn Term 2

Day	I need to take to school my...	Key events are...
Monday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle Swimming Kit	Swimming Spellings given out
Tuesday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Homework handed in
Wednesday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Homework handed out
Thursday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Outdoor PE Reading Diary Check
Friday	PE Kit Coat & Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Spelling Test