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Oak Class Newsletter – Autumn 2024

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 Wednesday, I will give the children one piece of homework to complete each week. This is to be returned

by the following **Monday**. Please also look out for weekly spelling lists, which will be handed out on Friday and tested the following Friday. Additionally, reading records will be checked every Friday. 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 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 12th and 13th 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:

Wednesday 11 th September	Oak Forest School Starts – commencing each Wednesday until half-term.
w.c Monday 16 th September	NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe Week
Wednesday 25 th September	Macmillan Coffee Afternoon
Tuesday 1 st October	Harvest Festival (pupils only)
Thursday 3 rd October	Open Classroom 3:15pm – 3:45pm
Thursday 24 th October	Flu Vaccination Programme
Friday 25 th October	End of term

Monday 4 th November	South Africa Week and Oak start swimming sessions
w/c Monday 11 th November	Anti-bullying Week
Tues 12 th and Weds 13 th November	Parents' Evenings
Friday 15 th November	Children In Need
w/c Monday 18 th November	Maths week
Friday 29 th November	Oak Sharing Worship
Tuesday 17 th December	Christmas Church Service & Christmas Lunch
Thursday 19 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Singing Around the Tree
Friday 20 th 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



Autumn Term 1

Day	I need to take to school my...	Key events are...
Monday	PE Kit Coat / Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Homework Checked
Tuesday	PE Kit Coat / Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	
Wednesday	PE Kit Coat / Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle Forest School Kit	Forest School
Thursday	PE Kit Coat / Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Indoor PE
Friday	PE Kit Coat / Wellies Homework Book Reading Record Water Bottle	Spelling Test Reading records Checked

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 Homework Checked
Tuesday	PE Kit Coat / Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	
Wednesday	PE Kit Coat / Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	
Thursday	PE Kit Coat / Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Outdoor PE
Friday	PE Kit Coat / Wellies Reading Record Water Bottle	Spelling Test