Oak Class Newsletter
Autumn 2 2026



In **English**, we will be exploring non-fiction instruction writing through the text 'How to Make a Bird Feeder' and enjoying some Christmas poetry. We will be using these prompts to develop our vocabulary and ideas to write, continuing to focus on sentence structure and introduce the Year 2 Spelling and Grammar programme.
We will continue with the Year 2 Spelling programme, 'Spelling with the Jungle Club'.
Children will take part in Guided Reading sessions daily, building on the skills learnt in Year 1.

In **Computing,** we will be learning about programming and creating algorithms for robots. We will follow instructions in different orders and explore how this changes the outcome.

In **Music** this term, we will build on our previous learning by singing the C, D and E major scales, exploring the history and sound of **Blues music**, identifying the parts of a bass guitar and developing our ability to keep a steady beat.

Home Learning
Please log into Google Classroom using the code: **4vqw6msd**. Home learning will be set on a **Friday** to be returned on a **Wednesday**.

In **History** this term, we will be developing our skills as Historians by exploring the fascinating history of **castles**. Through the use of photographs, artefacts, maps, drama and historical enquiry, we will discover why castles such as **Rougemont and Woodbury Castle** were built, who lived in them and what life was like inside. We will investigate how castles were designed to defend against attack and how they helped people to protect and control the land around them.



In **Science** this term our topic is 'I will survive!'. We will will be learning about the basic needs of all living things. We will also explore what different animals eat and how they are connected in a food chain.

In **DT,** we will explore mechanisms using wheels and axles. We will use this knowledge to design, make and evaluate our own product using these mechanisms.

In **Maths**, we will be covering:

- Adding and Subtracting 2-digit numbers
- Solving problems with addition and subtraction.
- Recognising and identifying the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

You can develop your child's maths skills at home with the free white rose maths 1-Minute Maths app and Numbots.

In **RE**, we will be learning about **the Gospel** and the good news that Jesus brings from his stories.

In **PSHE,** our unit is called **'Celebrating Differences'** where we will find out how we are similar and different to others and how this can sometimes cause bullying. We will discuss strategies to overcome this.

We will have **PE** on **Mondays and Thursdays**. In gymnastics, we will develop our balancing, travelling and movement skills. In rugby, we will practise the fundamentals of passing, catching, carrying and dodging, while developing our teamwork and coordination.