



Oak Class Celebration Newsletter

Term 1 2022



You may well notice a great deal of difference in the length of this newsletter compared to last years and the simple reason for that is Class Dojo. As I am now able to post so many photos of everything that we do, I don't feel the need to fill these newsletters with all the photos that I felt went unseen before they had a platform to be seen on. So, if you want a photographic reminder of anything that is mentioned just scroll through our class story on Dojo - it will be there!

Victorians

The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the Victorians this term, we even had Roz from the Maidstone Museum come to visit us with a range of different artefacts.



Harvest

Thank you for sending in all your contributions for our harvest festival. Joining together as a school to celebrate together is always so lovely. The children wrote some wonderful poetry but they finally choose Barnaby, Harry and Sophie to read theirs to the school. All the donations were given to Swale Foodbank, who will pass them onto families in real need of this extra support.



We were lucky to meet the Bishop of Dover when she came to visit. Bishop Rose came to our classroom and answered the children's questions.



Tetrahedron Challenge

The challenge was a big hit with the children, who got to see the final version being raised from the floor. There was a slight break on one side but it remained standing.



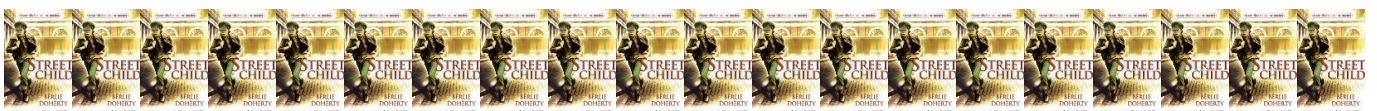
Creed Adventure Centre

A hugely enjoyable day from all the children ... and so many photographs to prove it!



African Drumming

Hopefully you will have watched the children's brilliant performance on Class Dojo because if you haven't, you are in for a treat. Ronald ran a fantastic session after a great whole school assembly.



Street Child

This has been our book of the term and the children and I have all thoroughly enjoyed this novel. We should have finished the story of Jim by the end of term and hopefully will find him safe and sound in Dr Barnardo's home. All the children have been enjoying the story and have produced excellent pieces of writing based on it.

Times Table Rock Stars

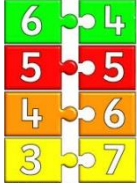
After our very successful launch day, Oak class have been practising very hard and playing every morning. We have had the highest participation this term, for every week of the term.

The children can also access Numbots, using the same login details, which is an excellent site for developing fluency.



Prodigy

The children all have logins so can access this at home but if you ever need passwords etc. just drop me a message and I will get them sent out to you.



Number Bonds Challenge

We have started our weekly number bonds challenge where the children have to correctly answer 60 multiplication questions in three minutes. Each child follows their own challenge, starting with their number bonds to ten.

Golden Leaf

Each week we have to choose a child that has particularly shone that week. As you can imagine some weeks it is an impossible choice. This term the children that have received a golden leaf are: Maddison, Zach, Alice, Barnaby, Henry, Rodrigo, Asher and Isabella.



Sneak peek for Term 2

Biomes

Our geography topic for this term will be biomes.

Vocabulary list

Polar, desert, temperate forest, grassland, mountain, community, population, climate, producer, food web, predator, food chain, carnivore, herbivore, consumer, decomposer.

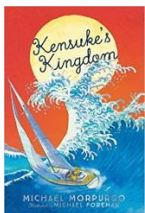


Living Things and their Habitats

will be our science topic.

Vocabulary list

Amphibians, binary, birds, consumer, classification, dichotomous, environment, fish, food chain, fungus, habitat, invertebrates, keys, mammals, micro-organism, mushrooms, nutrition, organism, predator, prey, producer, vertebrates



Our text next term will be **Kensuke's Kingdom** by Michael Morpurgo.

'A dazzling adventure' *The Times*

'This is a wonderful book, a modern-day Robinson Crusoe' Wendy Cooling

If your child would like to bring their own copy into school please make sure that it has their name in it.

I hope that this newsletter has shown you a little of what has been happening in our class this term but as I said at the beginning if you need any photographic reminders just log in to Dojo. If you ever have any questions or queries get in touch with the office and they will pass the message on to me and I will get in touch as soon as I can.

All the teaching staff in Oak class hope that everyone has a wonderful half term. Hopefully the weather is kind to us and we can all get outside and enjoy the sun for a few more days before Winter arrives.

We look forward to seeing all the children in Term 2.