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## Oak Class Newsletter – Autumn Term 2023

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 years as it will focus on specific English and Maths tasks in readiness for the SATS assessments. I will give the children one piece of homework to complete each week on a Thursday. This is to be returned by the

following **Wednesday**. Please also look out for weekly spelling lists, which will be provided by your child's spelling teacher. These will be handed out on Friday and tested the following Friday. Additionally, reading records will be checked every Monday. 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 Wednesday. 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 **Tuesdays** 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.



All children will also have the opportunity to participate in cycling proficiency sessions. Please ensure that the children bring their bikes to school each Wednesday along with a helmet.

### Parents' Evenings

There will be formal parent / teacher meetings on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 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:

Friday 1st and Monday 4th September	INSET Days - school closed to pupils
Tuesday 5th September	Term Starts
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Cycling Proficiency Group 1 start – commencing for the next 6 Wednesdays
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	Oak Forest School Starts – commencing each Tuesday until half term.
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	Kilvrough information meeting – 3.30pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	School photographer
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Race For Life
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Harvest Festival
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	School Association Disco
w.c Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 5/6 Kilvrough Residential
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	End of term
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET day – school closed to pupils
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Cycling Proficiency Group 2 start – commencing for the next 6 Wednesdays
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Kilvrough Sharing Worship – 2.30pm
w.c Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	South Africa Week <b>and</b> Oak start swimming sessions
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> and Weds 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents' Evenings
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children In Need
w.c Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths week
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Singing Around the Tree <b>and</b> Christmas Film night
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Church Service

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.
- As you will have seen in the recent communication from Mr Horner, emails should now be sent via the school office (office.3082@chesterton.oxon.sch.uk), who will forward your message to me/us if necessary, and you can expect a response within 3 working days.

Kind regards, Miss Baxter