

Oak Lodge EYFS Weekly News

Summer Term 1 - Week Ending 30.4.21

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to speak to so many of you in our parent consultation time and tell you about your child's development at school. It will be important to work on targets your child has been given at home as well as at school and continue these into the summer holidays so that your child begins Year 1 at a similar level to which they leave EYFS.

To aid us, we would like to reiterate some things that would be beneficial to practise several times a week:

- Name writing (this can be developed to include surname, date of birth and address as these are all useful skills and information each child should know)
- Pre-cursive letter formation
- Phase 2 and 3 phonic recognition AND writing these sounds from memory
- Counting, reading and writing all the numbers to 20 forwards and back
- Adding and subtracting to at least 10
- Recalling and using the number bonds for every number to 10.

As we get into the warmer months and jumpers come off, please can we encourage you to regularly check that your child's name is still in all their clothing and that they always come with a water bottle?

Many thanks from the EYFS team

Prime Areas

C&L: We have been communicating our knowledge of sharks by practising giving answers in full sentences.

PD: The children have been throwing and catching and using objects to balance and catch.

Fine motor: We have been threading and using a range of large and small Lego games to build up our fine motor skills.

PSED: We have been encouraging children in groups outside to play cooperation games such as playing in our pirate ship and making their own boats and under the sea creatures.

Specific Areas

Literacy: This week we have watched, sung and read a range of information about various sea creatures including dolphins, clown fish and jellyfish. The children have been encouraged to complete writing independently for our Golden Work tray.

Phonics: We are spending time recapping phase 3 phonics. Please practise the following HF words - have, like, said.

Maths: The children have been revisiting how to halve and share fairly.

EAD: On the creative table the children have been making jellyfish and marbling their own starfish!

UW: The children have been learning about sea creatures and why we need to look after our oceans.

Weekly Challenge

Please practise halving even numbers (or amounts of objects) to 10 then 20. Encourage your child to say, for example, 'Half of 6 is 3' and write down some corresponding addition sentences e.g. $3+3=6$.