

Oak and the Acorns

Members of staff

Miss Martin (Class Teacher, full time)

Mrs Dobbs (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)

Mrs Cawthray (Mrs C) (Thursday, Friday)

Morning Expectations

The children have grasped the morning routine with putting their picture up on the Good Morning Wall, putting their indoor shoes on and independently going to choose an activity. We have ordered individual baskets for the children to have keep their indoor shoes/outdoor shoes in.

Reading, phonics, changing books and Blue Reading Record Books

We do phonics work each Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Therefore the children will be given a new phonics sheet and sound to learn on those days. Could they practise saying and writing each sound and bring their phonics books back into school.

We have singing every Thursday with Mrs Jelf. The Nursery are taking home a copy of each song in their song book to share with you. Reception are learning the songs and singing them in school.

We check book bags and reading record books every day and carry out individual reading each Monday and Thursday, although we do change books in between if the books have been read.

Maths

We are teaching maths all the time and would encourage you to carry out some little maths investigations and games at home. In the near future there will be Maths at home ideas being stuck in the children's Blue Reading Record Books. Please make a note in your child's book when you have managed to complete the task and let us know how your child found the activity.

Handwriting

We are introducing cursive handwriting. Please see attached example.

Learning Journeys

We are currently continuing with the Learning Journeys and are very excited to begin a new way of carrying out observations. We have subscribed to Tapestry which is an observation programme that allows us to up load observations of your child which you are then able to access at home. We will keep you posted on when and how this happens.

Behaviour/ Reward System

When the whole class are following expectations during carpet time we put pebbles in our treasure chest. Once the chest is full, we will all have a treat!

Individual sticker charts are used for good tidying up and listening, these are in the entrance hall. These are also transferred onto the dojo system which is used throughout school.

Behaviour is very good, we are all on the green window of our class rocket! If a pupil doesn't follow class expectations they are moved down to amber but with the opportunity to be moved up again. If the behaviour continues to be unacceptable then the names are put on the red window, again with the opportunity to be moved back up again.

Assemblies and Class Assemblies

We are joining in with singing assembly each Thursday morning and certificate assembly every Friday afternoon.

Our class assemblies will be in January and June next year.

Parent observations

Each child is being given a pack with observation sheets in and WOW sheets. Please could you write down anything that your child has achieved/is proud of or something he/she wants to share.

There is also a photo book for your child to decorate. Please could you add some photos of them, their family, pets and holidays etc.. that they would like to share with their friends and adults in the classroom. The children love these books and are very proud of them.

A date for your diary:

Tuesday 17th October 2017 Sponsored Walk to raise money for an Oak and the Acorn fish tank.