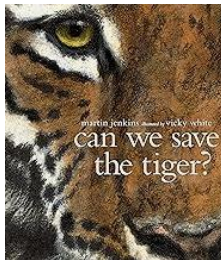
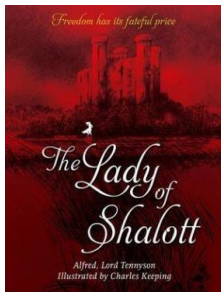


Oak Class Newsletter: Spring 2025



Welcome back to school! We hope you all enjoyed a fantastic, festive time together with your friends and families.

Curriculum



Our English lessons will initially be focused on Alfred, Lord Tennyson's poem *The Lady of Shalott*, leading to written pieces including a setting description and diary entry. After half term we will formal letters and persuasion pieces based on the book *Can we save the tiger?* By Martin Jenkins. We will be working on decimals and percentages at the start of the year in maths, followed by measures, algebra, statistics and ratio. Our RE topics are Galilee to Jerusalem (Jesus' miracles and the seven sacraments of the Church) and Desert to Garden (Holy Week). This term we will be continuing with our spiral curriculum in science, where we will be working on our five topics across the term. They are: Animals including humans, Electricity, Light, Living things & their habitats and Evolution.

Homework

- Children are expected to read and talk about their book to an adult every night for at least 20 minutes. Reading to an adult is important for every year group in the school. Please make sure you keep your personal reading records up to date.
- I would encourage all pupils to practise their times tables regularly. They really are the foundations of our maths curriculum and underpin many of the topics we will study this year. 'Hit the Button' is an excellent, free online game to practise - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>
- Children will be given homework on a specific topic where they need to practise further, this will be given out on a Friday.





PE/Forest School



The Forest School dates for Year 5 and Year 6 are as follows:

Year 6 **Thursday 9th January** Year 5 **Thursday 16th January**

Children will need **clothing suitable for Forest School:**

- Wellies/trainers
- Spare socks
- Trousers (jogging bottoms/leggings)
- Long sleeved t-shirt/sweatshirt
- Rain coat
- Hat, scarf, gloves
- Waterproof trousers if possible

The children may come to school wearing their Forest School clothes on the day they will be attending. Please be aware that these clothes will get muddy and wet! They may need e.g. a spare pair of jogging bottoms when they get back.

During the cooler weather, please ensure your child has sufficient layers to keep warm. We will be going in all weathers, unless a weather warning is in place, so please send your child with appropriate clothing.

If your child has earrings they will need to take them out for PE lessons independently, or please provide some tape to cover them.

PE Clubs

Our PE clubs this half term are as follows. Please sign up your child on Wisepay if they would like to take part.

Dance Tuesday 3.15pm-4.15pm (Places already allocated)

Football Wednesday 3.15pm-4.15pm

Tag Rugby Friday 3.15pm-4.15pm

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year!

Miss Roberts