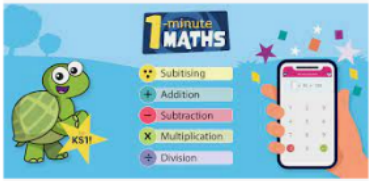


Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have enjoyed the Easter Holiday and you are looking forward to a sunny Summer term!

The following letter outlines the areas of study for this term. We hope that this gives you a clear indication of what your children will be learning and ways in which you can support them.

Subject	Focus	Suggestions for parents
Maths	<p>Children will be learning about:</p> <p>Fractions, children will learn about parts and wholes. They will begin to consider if the part is a large or small part of a whole. They will learn to identify equal parts and begin to formally recognise and find a half, a quarter and a third of shapes and amounts.</p> <p>Time to the hour, half hour, quarter to, quarter past and 5 min past clock times. Clock time intervals and worded problems linked to time.</p> <p>Positional and directional language eg. under, above, left, right, clockwise, anticlockwise</p> <p>Statistics, children are introduced to statistics and data, they use tally charts to systematically record data. They will learn to find totals using tallies, then they move on to drawing tallies for themselves to record numbers of objects.</p>	<p>Children should be able to recall number bonds up to 10, 20 and 100, for example, $10-6=4$, $9-5=4$, $13+7=20$, $20-11=9$, $10 + 90 = 100$, $80 + 20 = 100$.</p> <p>Recognising the relationship between addition and subtraction (inverse operation).</p> <p>Practise multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Children must be able to recall them confidently, quickly and randomly. Once they know these please encourage the learning of the 3 times tables.</p> <p>Please continue to support your children in learning to tell the time and to use coins to pay and calculate change.</p> <p>Cooking with your children will really help them to develop an understanding of measuring.... and it is really fun!</p> <p>We recommend the White Rose 1 Minute Maths App for quick daily practice. The App is free and it is available from the App store or Google Play Store.</p> 
Literacy	<p>Non-chronological reports and fact files linked to geography and India</p> <p>Poetry- acrostic poems and performance poetry</p> <p>Story writing- The Egg Box Dragon and Beegu</p> <p>Using film as a creative starting point for writing</p>	<p>Please hear your child read daily.</p> <p>Reading together is the most important contribution that you can make to your child's learning.</p> <p>Don't forget the many opportunities your children have to read non-fiction and information texts everyday e.g. signs, maps, catalogues and cereal packets.</p> <p>Please encourage children to keep a weekly/daily diary, where there is an opportunity to practice handwriting and order thoughts in writing.</p>
Science	<p>All living things and their habitats</p>	<p>Explore, identify and observe different creatures' habitats when you are out on a walk. Talk to your child about how the animal or insect has made their habitat and with what materials.</p>

Art / D&T	<p>Making a moving monster</p> <p>Explore how we can make art inspired by the sounds we hear.</p>	<p>Learning about pivots and levers. What mechanical toys have you got at home? Does their design involve a pivot? Explore toys at home to see how they work.</p> <p>Listen to your favourite song. How does it make you feel? What picture do you see in your mind eye? Maybe have a go at sketching, collaging or painting what you imagine to show how it makes you feel.</p>
I.C.T	<p>Spread sheets</p> <p>Making music</p>	<p>If you have access to a computer / internet at home encourage your child to use search engines to assist with homework and current themes. Free internet access is also available at a library near you!</p> <p>E-safety is still a priority at Oakthorpe. Please use the link below to raise the awareness of being safe on the internet with your children. http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/</p>
R.E	<p>Believing: Muslims, Christians and Jews</p>	<p>Encourage children to learn about different religious celebrations and the meanings behind them. In class we are going to be discovering more about how these three faiths worship, celebrate and reflect.</p>
P.E	<p>Games,</p> <p>Gymnastics – Spinning, Turning and Twisting</p> <p>Athletics</p> <p>Dance</p>	<p>Encourage your child to experience a range of physical activity. Healthy children are better learners.</p> <p>Can you use some of our local facilities?</p> <p>Up-to-date information about local sports activities are on the Active Enfield website. https://www.activeenfield.uk/news/</p>
PSHE	<p>Living in the wider world:</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Gender and work</p> <p>World environments</p> <p>Royal family</p>	<p>Encourage your child to be aware of events happening in their local community and the wider world including the coronation of King Charles. Please point out organisations that support our local community.</p>
Humanities	<p><u>Our Wonderful World</u></p> <p>Name and identify the 7 continents and the 5 oceans in the world.</p> <p>Name and identify the 4 countries in the UK and their capital cities.</p> <p>Equator and North/South Poles and weather.</p> <p><u>Distant locality – India</u></p> <p>The children will locate India on a map and discuss the differences/similarities to Britain. Look at the weather, food, traditional clothing etc.</p>	<p>Please help your child to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans -Name, locate and identify the four countries and capital cities of the UK and its surrounding seas <p>-Discuss the differences/ similarities between India and Britain.</p>
Music	<p>Listening unit: The Lark Ascending by Vaughan Williams</p> <p>KS1 Show Singing and Acting</p>	<p>Children will be exploring the difference between high pitch and low pitch, understanding the pulse and tempo of music, composing a short piece of music and exploring movement to music.</p>

Dates for your diaries:

Some dates for your diaries:

Palmers Green Mosque Visit: Thursday 2nd May 2024

INSET DAY: Friday 3rd May 2024

Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2024

HALF TERM: Monday 27th May 2024 – Friday 31st May 2024

Fathers Day Assembly: Monday 17th June 2024 (9-9.45am)

Health, Fun and Fitness Week: Week beginning Monday 24th June 2024

INSET DAY: Friday 28th June 2024

Science Week: Week beginning Monday 3rd June 2024

KS1 Show dates: Wednesday 3rd/Thursday 4th July 2024

Year 2 trip to Hertfordshire Zoo (Paradise wildlife park) - Friday 5th July 2024 ***(Please remember to pay the voluntary contribution and permission for this trip on ParentPay, thank you!)***

On Friday your child will be set a piece of homework on Google Classroom; this will alternate between Maths and Literacy. This should be returned or uploaded onto Google Classroom by Wednesday. Please discuss this work with your child and help them complete it to the best of their ability. Homework needs to be completed using a **pencil or on the computer and uploaded as a photo on to Google Classroom.**

Reading Scheme books will come home every day and be changed once a week. The children will also be bringing home a book from our school library every two weeks! Please read to and with your child daily. Books need to be in school in book bags **every day.**

We have a delicious lunch menu at Oakthorpe, so please make it part of your routine to choose lunches with your child.

Please remember that school starts at **8:50am** and finishes at **3:30pm**. Please ensure that your children arrive on time and that you collect them promptly.

If your child is absent from school for any reason, please contact Mrs Hamza in the Welfare room on the first day of absence.

To help reduce lost property, please make sure that all clothing and footwear is clearly labeled with your child's name.

Many thanks,

The Year 2 Team