


Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have enjoyed your summer break. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone to Little Oaks. We are looking forward to an exciting year with your children.

The following table outlines the learning that will be taking place this term. We hope that this gives you a clear indication of the areas of study and ways in which you can support your child.

Subject Focus Suggestions for parents

<p>Maths</p>	<p>To learn number bonds to 10 and 20.</p> <p>Place Value – Focussing on tens and ones.</p> <p>To count up to 100 and be able to group objects in twos, fives and tens.</p> <p>To explain what each figure in a two-digit number represents and order them in a number sentence.</p> <p>To add and subtract ones and tens to 2-digit numbers within 100.</p> <p>To find 1 more 1 less and 10 more and 10 less than a given number.</p> <p>Count in 2s, 5s and 10s and use this to help learn the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.</p> <p>Identify shapes from pictures of them in different positions and orientations. To sort, draw and describe shapes.</p>	<p>Please help your children to learn the number bonds to 10 and 20 e.g. $7 + 3 = 10$, $10 - 6 = 4$, $17 + 3 = 20$, $20 - 6 = 14$</p> <p>Also please begin to learn multiplication facts for the 2, 10 and 5 times tables. Practise them in order and then try in any order. There are lots of times table games on the internet such as https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths/games/hit-the-button</p> <p>If possible, please encourage your children to help you pay for small items, such a piece of fruit, a drink or newspaper. It really helps to have as many practical experiences as possible to make money a familiar concept.</p> <p>Please remember to download the free White Rose Maths 1 Minute Maths App</p> 
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<p>Literacy</p>	<p>Instructions</p> <p>Stories from Familiar Settings</p> <p>Character descriptions</p> <p>Story writing/retelling</p> <p>Recounts</p> <p>The books we will be looking at are:</p> <p>*Goldilocks and the Three bears</p> <p>*Owl Babies</p> <p>*Jack and the Beanstalk</p>	<p>Please hear your child read daily. Please remember it is really important for you to read to your child regularly as well as listening to them. Visit your local library if possible.</p> <p>Don't forget the many opportunities your children have to read non-fiction and information texts everyday i.e.: signs, maps, catalogues and cereal packets.</p> <p>Discuss the importance of following instructions. Discuss how to give clear instructions to do a task. Try giving each other instructions to do a job at home!</p>
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<p>Science</p>	<p>Animals including humans</p>	<p>Please talk to your child about their natural environment. Take a trip to the park and look at the animals that may live there, look at the habitat and the flowers and plants that are there. Observe the changes in the environment as the seasons change. You could take photographs of the view from your window and look at how it changes during the year.</p>
<p>History</p>	<p>Changes within living memory</p>	<p>In history we will be looking at changes within living memory. Encourage your child to think about how things have changed from the past. Some people used to live in castles etc. How is a castle different to your flat/house? How has modern technology changed? What do we have now? Computers etc.</p>

Art / D&T	Explore and draw	Encourage your child to notice patterns in nature around them. Children will be creating collages – can they spot collages in their everyday lives?
Computing	Online safety	Please ensure your child is using technology safely at home and with supervision. It is really important to know what your child is accessing to keep them safe from inappropriate content.

R.E/PSHE	We will be focussing on feeling safe in school and as well as the community. Looking at strangers that are helpful e.g. police officers, firemen etc.	To help with this you can have a discussion with your child about being safe at school and within the community. Talking about people who help us etc.
Music	Exploring sounds	Encourage your children to listen to a range of music and discuss their preferences with you.
P.E	Games Gymnastics – balance Dance	Encourage your children to be active and experience a range of physical activity. Healthy children are better learners!

Useful Dates for your Diary

Book week: Monday 21st October – Friday 25th October 2024 (letter to follow)

Half term: Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November 2024

INSET days: Monday 4th November 2024

Parents meetings: Tuesday 12th November and Thursday 14th November 2024

End of term: Friday 20th December 2024 at 1.15pm 2024

Homework is an opportunity for children to practise and consolidate work that they have been doing during the week. We really appreciate your support in helping your child to continue learning at home.

On Friday we will give homework in your home school folders which will alternate between all subjects.

Reading Scheme books will come home every day and be changed once a week. In addition, a book corner book (chosen by your child) will come home weekly. Please read to and with your child daily. Books need to be in school in book bags **every day**. Your child will be read with every other week with an adult 1-1 but will have daily small group reading experiences in the classroom.

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. The doors will shut promptly. If you are late to drop off or pick up your

child, please go to the office.

If your child is absent from school for any reason, please contact Mrs Hamza in the Welfare room on 020 8807 4689 on the first day of absence.

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

Children will have PE every Monday and Thursday. Please ensure they are wearing full PE kits and suitable footwear on this day.

We look forward to seeing you at meetings we have arranged for this term. Please remember we love to hear from you – any successes, celebrations and amazing things your children do are warmly welcomed. Also please remember we have an open door policy and are available to share any concerns or worries you may have about your child.

The Little Oaks Team

Mr Cook Mrs Kiole and Miss Downie.