

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break filled with fun, making memories and plenty of chocolate! I can't quite believe that we are in the Summer term already. We have another lovely topic planned full of fun and learning—the best combination!

CLASS REMINDERS

- Drop off time is between 8.40am and 8.55am
- Our pick up time in year 1 is 3.10pm from the playground
- Miss Martin teaches in class on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
- All children must have a water bottle in school each day.
- Tuck is priced at 25p per item £1.25 for a week. Tuck orders and payment will be taken on a Monday for the rest of the week. Your child will need to place their order and payment will be on School Money.
- Please ensure that all long hair is tied up each day.
- Please ensure all uniform and PE kit are labelled with your child's full name.
- If you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to email me at:

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Please email Mrs Armiger if you have any questions or queries on a Thursday.

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Our topic this half term is....

'Splendid Skies




Imagine floating high above land and sea on a bed of clouds, silently sweeping by on a billowing breeze. Back down to earth, let's take a walk outdoors. But what should we wear? Wellington boots? A sun hat? Maybe a warm coat? How do we know what the weather will be like today? Read and write poems and postcards, and, if you don't like today's weather report, why not write your own? Make a weather station to find out more about the weather in your area. What weather do you prefer? Sunshine, snow, storms or showers? Get your wellies on and let's go .

During our English lessons we will be expanding on our descriptive writing, including the use of nouns, verbs and adverbs. We will also be exploring the use of a range of punctuation and sentence types.

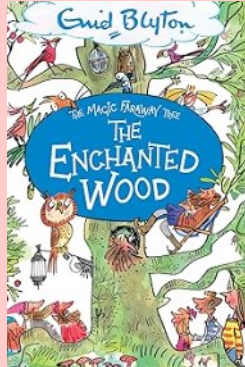
In maths, we are learning about mass and volume. The children will be using balancing scales to identify 'heavy' and 'light' objects. They will also have lots of practical opportunities to embed learning.

For Science, Oak class are looking at different types of animals, grouping them accordingly. Children should be able to name and discuss herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. They will also be able to name body parts and our senses.

Author of the Month




Our author of the month is
'Enid Blyton'



Number of words children would have heard by the age of 5 if they were:

	Never read to: 4,662 words
	Read to 1-2 times per week: 63,570 words
	Read to 3-5 times per week: 169,520 words
	Read to daily: 296,660 words
	Read 5 books per day: 1,483,300 words

Here's how many words kids would have heard by the time they were 5 years old:

P.E

Our P.E days are...



Monday & Thursday

On these days your child must come to school for the day in: *plain black joggers, leggings or shorts (no logos please), their P.E t-shirt and an academy jumper or academy hoodie.* They can also wear their trainers for the whole day.



READING BOOKS

Please can children bring their books to school every-day so they are in school should a member of staff hear them read. Books are changed weekly.

Remember to listen to your child read often at home and record in their reading diary. This year we will be rewarding those who have read at least 5 times a week. This can include eBooks, magazines, comics or even a bedtime story that an adult reads. It is so important that children read and are read to regularly for a wealth of reasons including developing their spoken language and enabling them to practice their reading skills. Reading is the route to everything and all subjects. As children grow they develop from learning to read to reading to learn.