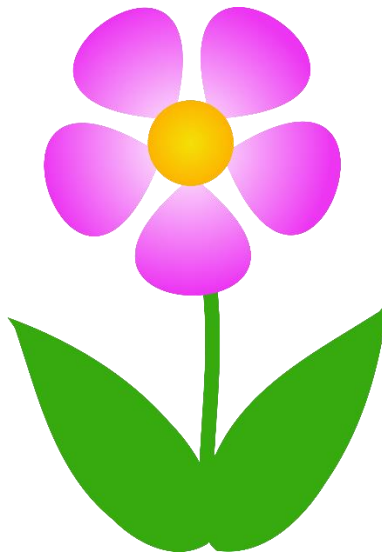


# **Oaklands Junior School**

## **Curriculum News**

### **OUR CURRICULUM MISSION**

**“To provide a challenging and creative curriculum through cross-curricular learning, inspiring children to gain a lifetime love of learning.”**



# **Spring Term 2018**

# Year 3

## Adults in Year 3: Mrs Alexander, Miss Noad, Mrs Yeatman, Mrs McLaren, Mrs Draffin, Mrs Bugg

### Mathematics

- Estimating, rounding and investigating number patterns. Mental and written strategies for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- Read the time on an analogue and 12 hour digital clock. Add and subtract amounts of money to give change, using both £ and p in practical contexts.
- Investigate the properties of common 2-D and 3-D shapes, including symmetry. Find simple fractions of shapes and numbers.
- Use standard measures for weight and length accurately.
- Handling Data - interpreting tables, bar charts and pictograms.

### English

- Authors and Letters - researching the work of the author Dr Seuss. Investigating the key features of letter writing leading to children writing a letter to the Dr Seuss Fan Club.
- The Lorax.
- Stories in a familiar setting.
- Recount of Village walk.
- Learning spelling rules and investigating patterns through games and IT activities.
- Guided Reading sessions.



### Science

- Animals including Humans, nutrition, skeleton and muscles.
- Magnets and forces - properties; testing materials for magnetism, investigating forces.
- Planning and carrying out investigations. Making observations, gathering and interpreting results and presenting these in graphs.

### Geography

- Investigating our local area (village walk).
- Comparing Crowthorne with The Scilly Isles.

### History

- Local History.

### Religious Education

- Sikhs - Commitment and prayer.
- Christianity - Easter.



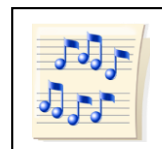
### Physical Education

- Circuit Training and how our bodies are affected by sport and exercise.
- Games - fitness and ball skills in a variety of sports including Hockey and Tag Rugby.
- Gym - travelling and jumping, balances. Creating short sequences of movements and balances using apparatus.

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## Music (Mrs Bugg)

- Extend understanding of rhythmic patterns; identifying repeated patterns. Create own patterns and play them separately and in combination with others.
- Sing songs and perform with rhythmic accompaniments.

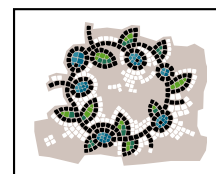


## Computing

- Using art software to paint in the style of an artist.
- Programming and control of an on screen character.
- Producing a holiday brochure of The Scilly Isles.
- E-safety.

## Art & DT

- Sewing.
- Local village themed art.
- Hot cross bun packaging and making.
- Painting - pointillism.
- Trainer sketch.



**Art activities - Please keep an old shirt or apron in school at all times.**

## PSHE

- 'Going for Goals' - setting personal targets and being proud of personal achievements.
- 'Good to be me' - identifying what I am good at and how I learn best.
- Personal hygiene.
- Heart Start - first aid training.

## P4C (Philosophy for Children)

- P4C themes will vary in each year group, according to the topics and interests of the children. With the teacher as facilitator, the children will be working collaboratively to create relevant questions, give reasons for opinions and discuss the validity of those opinions, develop a sense of trust, tolerance and fair-mindedness and to promote reflective thinking.

## French (Mrs Draffin)

- Revision of colours, numbers, letters, common instructions and greetings.
- Traditional French songs and stories; life in France through webcams, maps and films.
- Starting to write words and short phrases in French.

## Outdoor Learning

- How plants grow. Planting seeds in our Year 3 vegetable garden.
- Observing the life cycle of the frog during our pond watch.

## Homework

- We recommend reading 5 times a week for at least 10 minutes.
- Children will be tested on their times tables on Tuesday afternoons. They should be practising the level that they are working on throughout the week.
- 5 new spellings will be handed out each Wednesday and an activity from the grid should be completed by Monday.
- 4 activities from the homework grid should be completed and handed in by the 16<sup>th</sup> October. Each activity should take roughly 30 minutes.

**Please check your child's homework diary regularly and sign it at the end of each week. Please record every time you read with your child. If your child has any difficulty with their homework, please record this in their diary.**

**Class Assemblies (9.00-9.15am): After half-term - TBC**

# Year 4

## Adults in Year 4: Mr Lee, Mrs Jones, Mrs Mullier, Mrs Smith, Mrs Hare-Winton, Mr Grimmett, Mrs Draffin, Mrs Bugg

### Mathematics

- Mental and written methods for addition, subtraction, division and multiplication.
- Properties of common 2D and 3D shapes including symmetry.
- Metric units, reading scales, presentation and interpretation of data.
- Measuring length, perimeter, angles and using compass directions.
- Fractions of quantities, equivalent fractions, fractions and decimals.

### English

- Work based around the story of Beowulf.
- Riddles and kennings.
- Stories in a historical setting.
- Comprehension skills.
- Grammar rules.

### Science

- Electricity topic.
- Sound.

### Geography

- Map work: using Ordnance Survey maps.
- Field work relating to visit to Ufton Nervet (part of Ufton Court trip).
- Settlements - where and why people settled.

### History

- Local history study which will focus on Ufton Court and the nearby village of Ufton Nervet.
- Anglo-Saxons & Vikings:
  - Reason for invasions.
  - Everyday life.
  - Religion.
  - Sutton Hoo.

**Ufton Court Visit:**    **Class 4JM Monday 12<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**  
                                  **Class 4L Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

### Religious Education

- Judaism: The importance of God's will.
- Christianity: Easter and forgiveness.

### Physical Education

- Games - Tag Rugby.
- PE - Volleyball & circuit training



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## Music (Mrs Bugg)

- Singing skills connected with the Y4/Y5 production.
- Soundscapes - creating and listening to music inspired by famous pictures.

## Computing

- Programming.
- E-Safety.



## Art & DT

- Weaving.
- Still life in a variety of media.
- Trainer sketch.
- Anglo-Saxon cooking.

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## PSHE

- Ufton Court worries, caring, friendships, working together.
- Discuss issues, which affect children; responsibilities and sharing options.

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## French (Mrs Draffin)

- Revision of previous vocabulary.
- Writing sentences, word order, negatives, questions, use of plural, adjective agreement.
- Songs, games and stories.

## Outdoor Learning

- Year group gardens.
- Pond dipping.
- Orienteering.

## Homework

- Mathematics - given out on Thursday to be handed in the following Tuesday. Weekly times tables tests on Fridays.
- Home Learning grid - due in Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February.
- Spelling homework to be handed in on Tuesdays.
- Daily reading - (Mon - Fri) minimum 10 mins. To be recorded in Homework Diary.

**Please check your child's homework diary regularly and sign it at the end of each week.**

### Class Assemblies:

**Due to our play, our next class assemblies will be in the first half of the summer term.**

**Our Year 5 and 4 play to parents will be on:  
6<sup>th</sup> March at 1.45pm and 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm.**

# Year 5

Adults in Year 5: Mr Hill, Miss Davidson, Mrs Burrell,  
Mrs Townend, Mrs Draffin, Mrs Bugg

## Mathematics

- Number and place value.
- Calculation.
- Fractions, decimals and percentages.
- Measurement.
- Properties of shapes.
- Statistics.
- Each child is expected to learn their times tables which will be tested weekly.

## English

- Using a variety of texts, we will produce writing in different styles including writing from a viewpoint; performance poetry and drama.

## Science

- Properties and changes of materials.
- Life Cycles of plants and animals.



## Geography

- We will be studying the Brazilian rainforest and its importance to the water cycle. Children will be set a research project as part of the homework grid, week commencing 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018 to be presented to the class as a short talk accompanied by slides week commencing 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

## History

- We will be carrying on with our cross-curricular work on life in Victorian England. Later in the term we will be studying the Mayan Civilization of South America.

## Religious Education

- We will continue with our Hinduism studies as well as the Christian Festival of Easter.

## Physical Education

- Tuesday Games: Invasion team games.
- Wednesday PE: Gym, dance and circuit training.

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## Music (Mrs Bugg)

- Singing and performance skills connected with the play.
- Exploring rhythm and pulse.
- Learning about Asian and African percussion instruments.
- Identifying rhythmic patterns and performing a cyclic pattern.

## Computing

- Continue our E safety message, learn about search engines, digital publishing and the use of spreadsheets for data handling.

## Art & DT

- Our art this term will mainly centre on our Year 5 play and props and the study of Lowry. We will also be learning about rainforest art. We shall investigate Mayan art. During this term, we will also be taking part in a whole school assessment task of sketching a trainer.

**Art activities – Please keep an old shirt or apron in school at all times.**

## PSHE

- Each week we will use circle time to address relevant classroom topics, such as respectful behaviour and understanding how we learn.

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## French (Mrs Draffin)

- This term we will be revising and building on the work done in Year 4 on writing sentences, using adjectives and gender. We also look at the way of life in France, including school life and festivals through the year.

## Outdoor Learning

- Pond dipping.
- Orienteering.
- Planting.

## Homework

- In addition to learning for our weekly times table test, 30 minutes of maths will be set every Thursday, to be handed in the following Tuesday.
- Children will be able to select homework from a range on the half termly homework grid.
- Children should read for 20 minutes every night and be heard by an adult at least once a week.

**Please check your child's homework diary regularly and sign it at the end of each week. We will be collecting and monitoring homework diaries on Tuesday morning. Children should record their weekly times table scores in their homework diary.**

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# Year 6

## Adults in Year 6: Mr Holland, Miss Bland, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Griffiths, Mrs Simpkins, Mrs Draffin, Mrs Bugg

### Mathematics

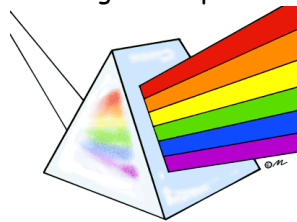
- Lessons taught in 2 groups (Miss Bland and Mr Holland).
- Times tables challenge & arithmetic practice on alternate weeks.
- Lessons covering all of the key areas of maths in preparation for KS2 Government tests.

### English

- Study a range of fiction and non-fiction linked with topics - Diary of Anne Frank (class text); Biography and Autobiography.
- A study of the Shakespeare play Macbeth.
- Grammar - understanding grammatical terminology and how to apply in order to improve writing.
- Guided reading - regular sessions working on deeper understanding of texts.

### Science

- Evolution and inheritance.
- Light.



### Geography and History

- World War 2 - How past events shaped modern Britain.
- Why are mountains so important?



### Religious Education

- Christianity.
- How religion influences and inspires people.
- How our beliefs influence our approach to the world around us.

### Physical Education

- Netball/ Lacrosse.
- Gymnastics and Dance.

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### Art & DT

- Investigating, planning and creating slippers.
- Choosing materials appropriate to their intended use.
- Sewing - learning and applying a range of stitches.
- WWII related art covering a range of mediums (collage, chalks).
- Mountain watercolours.
- Trainer sketch (whole school assessment).
- Cooking related to rationing and World War II.

**Art activities - Please keep an old shirt or apron in school at all times.**

### Music (Mrs Bugg)

- Music through the decades - listening to and appraising music through the 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> centuries.
- Learning simple performance skills related to modern music.
- 12 bar blues.



## Computing

- Gathering and organising data.
- Presenting information.
- Internet research to be linked with history.
- Coding using Scratch.
- Internet Safety.



## PSHE

- Democracy.
- Dreams and Goals.
- Healthy Me.
- Heart Start.

## P4C (Philosophy for Children)

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## French (Mrs. Draffin)

- This term we will be revising and building on the work from the Autumn Term making sentences, using adjectives and gender as well as creating a colour poem and a project called 'Moi et Toi'.



## Outdoor Learning

- Pond dipping.
- Planting

## Homework

- English set on Thursday, to be handed in on Tuesday.
- Mathematics set on Thursday, to be handed in on Tuesday.
- Tables - tested every other week.
- Spellings - including sentences; tested each week.
- Reading - we expect daily reading (to be recorded in homework diaries).

**Please check your child's homework diary regularly and sign it at the end of each week. Make sure it is in school every day. These diaries will be checked on Mondays.**



## Class Assembly:

**Our next class assembly will be in the second half of the Summer Term.**

## Extra Curricular Activities - Spring 2018

Day	Year(s)	Club	Start w/c	Time	Leader(s)	Location
Monday	All	Judo	8 <sup>th</sup> January	7.45 – 8.45	Judo School	Junior Hall (Fee Paying)
	All	Guitars	8 <sup>th</sup> January	12.25 – 1.05	Mr Newbury-Maestros	Terrapin (Fee Paying)
	All	French Club	15 <sup>th</sup> January	12.30 – 1.00	Mr Lee/Mrs Draffin	4L
	Years 5 & 6	Football Squad	8 <sup>th</sup> January	12.00 – 12.30	EPC / Mr Holland	Field
	All	Sewing Club	15 <sup>th</sup> January	3.20 – 4.00	Hope & Gloria	Terrapin (Fee Paying)
	All	EPC Soccer	15 <sup>th</sup> January	3.30 – 4.30	EPC	Field (Fee Paying)
	All	After School Club	1 <sup>st</sup> January	3.20 – 6.00	Beehive ASC	Junior Hall (Fee Paying)
	Tuesday	All	Drums	8 <sup>th</sup> January	11.30 – 12.30	Mr Brett - Maestros
All		Violin	8 <sup>th</sup> January	9.55 – 11.15	Mrs Clark-Maestros	Terrapin (Fee Paying)
All		Sewing Club	15 <sup>th</sup> January	12.30 – 1.10	Hope & Gloria	Terrapin (Fee Paying)
All (on a rota)		Art Club	15 <sup>th</sup> January	12.30 – 1.00	Miss Noad	3N
All		Recorders/Flute	8 <sup>th</sup> January	2.10 – 4.00	Ms Tull-Maestros	Terrapin (Fee Paying)
Years 4,5 & 6		Coding Club	15 <sup>th</sup> January	3.20 – 4.15	Miss Davidson	Computyer Suite
Years 5 & 6		Hockey	15 <sup>th</sup> January	3.20 – 4.15	Mr Hill	Playground
All		After School Club	1 <sup>st</sup> January	3.20 – 6.00	Beehive ASC	Junior Hall (Fee Paying)
Wednesday	All	Taekwondo	8 <sup>th</sup> January	7.50 – 8.35	Bytomic	Junior Hall (Fee Paying)
	Years 3 & 4	Tag Rugby	15 <sup>th</sup> January	12.05 – 12.35	Mr Holland	Field
	Years 5 & 6	Tag Rugby	15 <sup>th</sup> January	12.35 – 1.05	Mr Holland	Field
	Years 5 & 6	Netball	15 <sup>th</sup> January	3.30 – 4.15	Miss Bland/Mrs McLaren	Playground
	All	After School Club	1 <sup>st</sup> January	3.20 – 6.00	Beehive ASC	Infant Hall (Fee Paying)
Thursday	All	Gym Club	8 <sup>th</sup> January	7.50 – 8.35	Little Star Gymnastics	Junior Hall (Fee Paying)
	All	Magic Club	8 <sup>th</sup> January	12.30 – 1.15	Young Magicians	Terrapin (Fee Paying)
	All	Guitars	1 <sup>st</sup> January	3.25 – 4.20	Mr Allum - Rock & Pop	6B (Fee Paying)
	Years 3 & 4	Cookery Club	29 <sup>th</sup> January	3.20 – 4.30	Miss Noad	Terrapin
	Years 5 & 6	Lacrosse Club	22 <sup>nd</sup> January	3.20 – 4.15	Mr Hill	Field
	Year 4	Badminton	8 <sup>th</sup> January	3.20 – 4.15	Mrs Alexander	Hall
	All	After School Club	1 <sup>st</sup> January	3.20 – 6.00	Beehive ASC	Infant Hall (Fee Paying)
Friday	All	Music Club Using Notate	15 <sup>th</sup> January	12.05 - 12.30	Mrs Bugg	6H
	All	Library	1 <sup>st</sup> January	12.30 – 1.00	Mrs Mullier	Library
	All	Relax Kids	8 <sup>th</sup> January	12.30 – 1.10	Miss Sellars	Terrapin (Fee Paying)
	All	Dance	1 <sup>st</sup> January	3.30 – 4.15	Q Dance Academy	Junior Hall (Fee Paying)
	All	After School Club	1 <sup>st</sup> January	3.20 – 6.00	Beehive ASC	Infant Hall (Fee Paying)

**Please collect children from clubs running after school from the location where the club is taking place.  
Please walk round the school to that location as reception will not be open.**