P3a Curricular News

Welcome to P3a

Welcome to our first curricular newsletter which is designed to keep you informed of the curricular activities that your child is covering this term. I do hope you find it useful and informative. If you have any concerns about your child's education please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to working with you to ensure that your child has a happy and productive year at King's Oak.

Best wishes,

Miss L. Montgomery

Dates for your Diary

Monday 18th October	INSET 3 School Closed
Tuesday 19th October	Children Return
Friday 29th October	Fancy Dress. No masks permitted
Wednesday 22nd December	Close at 2:30pm for holidays
Thursday 6th January	Return to school

Staff Training

All staff attended training on Child Protection and Safeguarding, Fire Safety, and planning for recovery during the August INSET days.

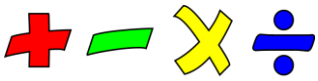
'Mighty Oakers' Values Champions Letters

Mrs Glancy issues a 'Mighty Oakers Values Champion' Letter each term for a pupil who has been nominated as Values Champion for their class.

Pupils receive this award for demonstrating the school values on a daily basis in all they do. This prestigious termly award is eagerly anticipated at our assemblies. Keep a look out for a letter popping through your letter box!

Class Achievements

We will be using this space to inform you about achievements both within the classroom and outside of school. If your child gains a trophy, medal or certificate outside of school, please share the achievement with us. We will put their photo up on the achievement wall and mention their achievement in our newsletter.

Curricular Area	Details
Language and Literacy including French 	Reading - We will learn to use a variety of reading strategies to help with understanding. Writing - We will focus on sentence construction with use of capital letters and full stops as well as developing our use of a range of connectives to extend our sentences. We will be using sequencing openers to develop our recount writing so that we can retell events in a logical order. Talking and Listening - We will talk about what we enjoy, share our thoughts, feelings and experiences during check in. French - We will be learning greetings as well as classroom instructions.
Mathematics and Numeracy 	We will be learning to order and sequence numbers both forwards and backwards. We will also be adding and subtracting using a range of strategies. We will also be learning to use grid references and describe simple journeys using positional language.
Health and Wellbeing 	As the children settle into their new class we will focus on new routines as well as working together to create a class charter linked to children's rights. As a school we will also be working on embedding school values. Linked to our context for learning, The Farm, we will be learning about healthy food choices and the journey that food makes from farm to fork. We will also be learning about friendships and developing strategies to maintain good friendships and deal with some of the challenges of friendships/relationships. In P.E. the class will work on improving their fitness and stamina as well as learning games with a focus on good sportsmanship.
Other Curricular Areas **Social Studies, Sciences, Technologies and Digital Learning, Religious and Moral Education and Expressive Arts** 	Our context for learning this term will be The Farm. Through this we will be exploring the variety of foods produced in Scotland and discussing the different types of agriculture in the production of these foods. We will be making a range of weather instruments and using them to measure and record the weather. We will also be looking at how climate affects living things. In technology we will be developing and using problem solving strategies to design moving farm vehicles. We will be exploring and experimenting with different digital technologies to support and enhance our learning in the classroom. We will be exploring the latest technologies in agriculture and considering the ways in which they have developed through the years. We will be learning about Harvest as part of our farm context for learning. We will be reading the novel Charlotte's Web and showing our understanding of the values of caring, sharing, fairness, equality and love. In art we will be creating and presenting work using the visual elements of line, shape, form, colour, tone, pattern and texture.
How you can help your child at home/Other Information	Please ensure your child brings their gym kit to school on: Wednesdays and Fridays. **Remember no jewellery on PE days.** Please encourage your child to complete and return their Home Learning. To help your child with their learning a few simple things that can be done at home are: Learn spelling words/sounds that are sent home using the multisensory activities. Encourage your child to read every day (this can be done on Bug Club or personal choice of books). Practise counting in 2's, 3's, 4's, 5's and 10's and encourage your child to log on to Sumdog and complete any class/school Sumdog challenges.