

Summer Term 2020 Oak Class

Dear Parents,

Ordinarily I would be saying, "Welcome back everyone!" but due to current circumstances that is not possible at the moment. However, our topic this Summer term is still a Geography and Science based one entitled, "All Along the Arun". This would have involved lots of practical fieldwork type activities where we would have walked around our local environment. We cannot do that now, but nevertheless there are still lots of exciting home learning opportunities for the children to do!

In English the children will have the opportunity to write in a range of different genre, including fiction and non-fiction. They will be able to: write non-chronological reports, poetry, narratives, diary writing, recipes, fact-files and journalistic writing.

In Science, the children will be taught to: study and raise questions about their local environment throughout the year. They will observe life-cycle changes in a variety of living things, for example, plants in the vegetable garden or flower border, and animals in the local environment. They will find out about the work of naturalists and animal behaviourists, for example, David Attenborough and Jane Goodall.

In Maths the children will be covering: measuring angles using a protractor, angles on a straight line/angles around a point, angles in triangles and quadrilaterals, regular and irregular polygons, reasoning about 3-D shapes/nets of 3-D shapes, describing position in the first and fourth quadrants, reflection with co-ordinates, translation with co-ordinates and on-going times tables.

In PSHE children will be given opportunities to think about the environment and wider world green issues.

In Art and D.T. lessons, the children will be given the opportunity to create collages, paint and draw rivers and river scenes and use design and technology skills to create bridges.

In P.E. they will take part in outdoor invasion games – play competitive games and apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending. Indoor Dance/Gymnastics linked to All Along the Arun topic.

In Music lessons children will have the opportunity to explore composing and performing music linked with water and rivers and the sea, e.g. singing and composing their own sea shanties.

In R.E. children will be answering key questions, such as: "How and why do believers show their commitments during the journey of life?"

In Computing children will have the opportunity to plan and make their own films, as well as plan and make their own 'Scratch' animated stories and coding programming.

In Geography the children will use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.

I hope you are all keeping well at this very challenging time and I hope that there will be the opportunity for us to gather at school again before the end of the summer term. Thank you for all that you are doing to support the children's learning and please do email me if I can be of any support.

All best wishes

Paul Armitage