

Summer Term 1—Oak Class News—2023/24

Welcome Back

Welcome back to another new term at Cottingham. I hope you have all had a lovely and restful Easter holidays. I cannot believe how quick the time is going as we enter summer term. We have yet another packed term (as usual) to look forward to. Any questions or queries then please don't hesitate to catch me on the door or alternately send me an email.

Love 2 Read

The children in Oak class have enjoyed reading The Lion, The Witch and The wardrobe last term (my absolute favourite book to read!) This term we will look forward to reading the Witches by Roald Dahl. Every 2 weeks a child will have the opportunity to bring in their favourite book to share with the class! I have enjoyed reading the children's book reviews on the different books they borrow from the school and classroom library. It's great to see a love of reading flourishing through Oak class!



Expectations

This term we will be continuing to focus on implementing the schools expectations straight away and ensure children are following the rules throughout the school. We will be setting high standards of showing respect to everyone around the school.

In Oak class, the children will need to be provided with a snack for break time. Please ensure this is **only a healthy snack (fruit or veg)**.

Homework

Homework expectations are that children **must** spend **at least** 15 minutes a week on TTRS practicing their timestable recall.

Children will also be set weekly spelling homework on the spelling shed website. This is set every Friday and to be completed by the following Thursday.

It is also important to make sure children are reading regularly at home. Please note, we will be checking to ensure that children are completing the homework as this is a valued addition to their education. Staff will be contacting parents if the homework expectations are not being met.

Spellings

Spellings lists for year 3 and 4 are available on the Microsoft Teams site and are also sent via parent mail. Please ensure children are practicing every week.

QUEST

This term our Quest topic will be a European study where the children will look at different European countries. The children will use their learning from the Romans to compare Italian geography to other places invaded.

PE days

PE this year will take place on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in Oak class and will be taught by Mrs Smith and Miss Hurn. Please make sure no jewelry is worn for PE lessons and all long hair is tied up.

Collective Worship

Our value for the term in Collective Worship will be **Perseverance & Endurance**.

Collective worship will take place this year on a Monday and a Wednesday, with our celebration worship taking place on a Friday as always. We would love to have parents come along so please do! We will also have class worship on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Details of our Collective Worship can be found at [Collective Worship - Cottingham Primary](#).

Homework ideas

As a school we set minimal homework, but the expectation is that it is completed every week. In addition to TTRS, Spelling Shed spelling practice and reading expectations, it would be beneficial for children to continue to spend time researching all about our Quest topic for the this term—

Your child could investigate the following:

- What countries are in Europe?
- What countries in Europe were invaded?

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Fridge Dates

Tuesday 16th April— year 3 life education well being workshop

Wednesday 17th– Friday 19th April— year 4 Beaumanor trip

Friday 26th April— oak Ukulele concert

Wednesday 22nd May— Golf takeover day

Thursday 23rd May— Class photographs

Friday 24th May— break up for half term