

Mrs Sergeant's Desk

This is a really busy and hardworking term in school and we ask all parents to support us by establishing positive bedtime routines so that the children get to bed on time without the distractions of TVs or online games. Your child will work best when well rested.

Parents Singapore Maths Week This term we are inviting parents to come into school with their children to see our new Singapore Maths sessions. Each family will receive an invitation from their child and you will be able to book into 1 session (1 hour) throughout the week. I think you will be amazed to see how the children are enjoying Maths and are growing in confidence with this new approach. **The suggested week for this is 12th -15th Feb**

Free School meals and packed lunches This term I will be working with children and families to try to reduce the amount of packed lunches coming into school and to increase the amount of families who are accessing a free school dinner. Our school dinners are excellent value and quality and we want to work with parents to make sure they meet the tastes and needs of all of the children. **More information will follow**

Attendance and punctuality In order to support working families and to improve attendance we now have a locked fridge in school. This means that with permission we can supervise the children taking antibiotics, Calpol and other medications. More information is at www.oliprimary.co.uk/parents-info/sickness-medication

Staff Updates

Mrs. Stalker's twins arrived safely if somewhat early on Christmas Eve and I am glad to report that mum and babies Ava and Jasmine are doing well.

Miss Hughes and Miss Whittaker have also safely delivered their baby boys. Babies Harri and Freddie are doing really well and have already visited school with their mum's to see the children.

We would like to welcome Miss Offill who is teaching in foundation stage and Miss Cargill, who is working in the 2 year old room with Mrs Harris and Miss Spellman. We would like to welcome them all to the school family.

Term Dates for this year are available on the School Website www.oliprimary.co.uk.

FEBRUARY HALF TERM

Monday 18TH Feb to Friday 22ndFeb

Easter Holidays

Monday 15th April to Monday 22nd April

Everton Kids Holiday Club will be available throughout the February half term. Please contact Laura on 07799 062730 for more details and for advance booking.

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CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER SPRING 2019

If you have any questions about your child's curriculum this term, please make an appointment with their class teacher.

Class teachers are available at the end of each day by prior arrangement.

Our curriculum maps are available on our school website which can be found at:
www.oliprimary.co.uk/curriculum/curriculum-maps

English in Year One

This term we will be focusing on traditional tales. We will be exploring the settings using descriptive language, and comparing good and bad characters in original and alternative versions of some chosen tales.

Maths in Year One

This term we will be concentrating on subtraction within 10 and positional and directional language before looking at numbers within 20.

Homework

Homework will be set every Friday to be returned on Wednesday of the following week please.

How you can help your child this term:

- Children need PE kit in school every Monday to be kept in school all week as sessions take place on different days.
- Reading at home regularly with your children for a couple of minutes. This will really support them in consolidating the skills they are developing in school.
- As our phonics lessons start at 9.10am punctuality is of great importance.

Our Geography Topic is 'Where do the leaves go in winter?'

Please help your child to identify the weather when they come to school or go for a walk. We will be looking at weather patterns within the UK and comparing the weather in different continents. Children will learn about the North Pole, South Pole and the Equator. If it is possible ask your children to do a daily weather report and watch weather bulletins on TV.

The children will really engage with this topic and we plan to SKYPE other schools around the country and talk to them about their weather to see the difference of weather throughout the UK.

"We love using maps to find places in the World. We found England on the globe too."

Art

We have been focusing on painting this term. The children have studied the work of Jasper Johns and have re-created Zero Through Nine, one of his masterpieces. They are also experimenting with mixing colours and painting in response to stories.

Internet Safety Day February 5th 2019
Safer Internet Day 2019 will be celebrated globally with the theme: Together for a better internet. As a school The Digital Leaders will be holding a poster competition with some brilliant prizes to be won. The posters will be used to promote safer internet use around the school. The children will take part in engaging lessons and activities linked to showing respect on line.

Reading.

We encourage all our children to read for pleasure every day. This lets the children experience a wide variety of texts including non-fiction, play scripts and fiction.



Science - Animals including humans.

Our science work this term is focusing on animals including humans. We are learning about their offspring and how they grow into adults. We will find out about and describe the basic needs of animals for survival (water, food and air). We will describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.

Come and See – R.E.

This term we are focusing on our topic Local Church/Community topic, looking at special people and books. We are recognising and talking about or experiences and special people and books that are important in our lives and beginning to describe these in class.

