

Mrs Sergeant's Desk

I would like to welcome all of our children and their families to the new school year.

The website is a valuable resource for parents with lots of information about the work that the children are doing in school. The link below will take you straight to the curriculum pages on the website. www.oliprimary.co.uk/curriculum

HAVE YOU RECEIVED YOUR INVITATION TO DOWNLOAD OUR NEW SCHOOL APP? You will be receiving a text inviting you to download our new school app – Connect @ Parentapp. This app has replaced our previous app and will allow us to communicate through push notification to individual parents and both class and year groups. Events information, letters home, class pages and direct links to our school website are all features of the new app. Users of the app will be able to add term dates and events directly into their phone calendar and even report absences to the school via the online form.

Please look out for the text and follow the simple instructions to keep up to date with your child's school life.



TERM DATES

Term dates for the coming year are available on our school website and also on our new school app.

Our Website is
www.oliprimary.co.uk

OCTOBER HALF TERM

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2019

Everton Kids Holiday Club will be available throughout the October half term.

Please contact Laura on 07799 062730 for more details and for advance booking.

INSET DAY - Friday 25th October 2019

The school will be closed to children as staff will be taking part in training.

Parents Evening 12th November

More information will follow with appointment times after half term. Parents will be able to meet your child's class teacher and discuss their targets for the year.



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**Our Lady Immaculate
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Year 2

**CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER
Autumn 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.

YEAR 2 TEACHERS – Mrs Rimmer and Miss Whittaker
LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANTS – Miss Mercer and Mrs O'Leary

Our curriculum maps are available on our school website which can be found at:

www.oliprimary.co.uk/curriculum/curriculum-maps

Our first half term:

Year 2 have come back to school with a great readiness to learn and fantastic attitudes. To support and continue this, you can help your child by-

How can I help my child this term?

- Read with them at home each night
- Take time to complete their homework
- Make sure they have their full P.E. kit in school

Children have PE sessions on Wednesdays and Dance session on Thursdays.

Please make sure your child has the correct kit

- Tracksuit Pants/shorts
- Polo shirt/tracksuit top
- Pumps



'The Titanic'

The children are absolutely loving our topic this half term. We have been able to link this within many

curriculum areas, mainly History, English and Art.

History

Within our history curriculum this half term children have been using their research skills to find and gain knowledge about the Titanic as a significant event. Children have been able to create timelines, share information and compare and sort facts.

Art

We have looked at the work of the artist Ken Marschall, who is famous for his realistic paintings of the Titanic. The children have explored how to create the colours within his work by mixing primary colours with black and white to create shade and tone.

Reading

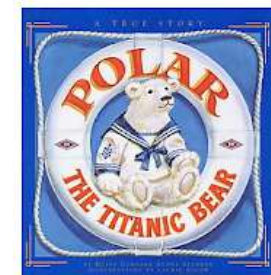
We expect that all children read for at least 5 minutes every night at home. They can read the book they bring home, their own book or other pieces of text they may find around the house (newspaper, recipes, comics).

Reading skills are used by children in all areas of the curriculum, so we encourage all children to have a go at reading tricky and unfamiliar words consistently.

Reading at home also supports a love for reading for pleasure, which creates children who want to read more to learn more.

English

Our new approach is 'read as a writer, write as a reader', and focuses on using a wide range of quality texts. This approach immerses the children in the texts, exploring the way the author uses language and vocabulary in a range of ways. This term we are reading Polar the Titanic Bear, which is a beautiful, language rich book with many concepts to use to support all aspects of the English curriculum and has already engaged the children with report writing, character descriptions and post cards.



In Maths

We are continuing to use our 'Maths no problem' approach and the children are becoming confident at sharing and discussing their mathematical thinking and concepts. We are currently focusing of counting forwards and back in 2's, 5's and 10's as well as addition and subtraction within 100.

Homework

Every Friday children are given homework that links to and consolidates their learning from that week. If you need any support with your child's homework please feel free to speak to a member of staff.

