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Curriculum News

Online Safety Quality Mark



The school has been successful in achieving the online safety quality mark for another 3 years and our digital leaders were seen as strength of the school.

Online safety is becoming a big issue for all of us. Mrs Bowcock has a lot of information to support parents with E-Safety on the school website <https://oliprimary.co.uk/parents-info/child-protection/> Why not have a look !

Thank you from “The Nest” in Kenya

Last term parents kindly donated old summer dresses to “The Nest” Orphanage in Kenya. One of our chosen charities.



They were delivered to the children over Christmas and it's lovely to see the impact that your donations have had for the girls. The smiles say it all.

“If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books” Roald Dahl.

Learning to read is one of the most important things your child will do in school. When you read with them at home you are helping children to practice their skills and become confident readers. Try and make time to listen to your child read tonight?

INSET DAY – Friday 14th Feb 2020

School will be closed for children

All dates for the academic year can be found on the school website and the school PA connect app. Ask in the office for more information about accessing the App



What is our curriculum intent?

Last term Mrs. Roberts and Miss Gallagher have been asking the children, parents, staff and governors an important question.

“What do you want children to know and be able to do by the time they leave our school in year 6?”

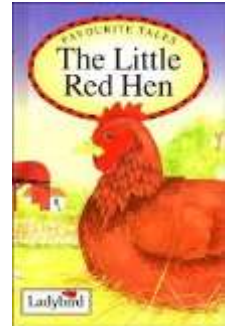
We would like to thank everyone who took part in our survey. It has helped us to identify what is important to you all so that we can plan our curriculum to meet the needs of the children and school community.

We will be publishing our curriculum intent statement

Our Spring Curriculum in Nursery

Literacy: Our book focus this term was To Catch A Star. The children have been really engaged in the activities and have carried their learning into every area of the curriculum. The children have had the opportunity to mark make for pleasure and contribute to their story book if they showed an interest. Our next book is The Little Red Hen. We will use the Pie Corbett's Talk for Writing and the children will learn actions to the words. They will then develop their own story map and recall the story using the small world and home area.

To support your child's reading development at home please can you continue to read every night encouraging them to create their own stories using the pictures. You can also encourage your child to mark make developing their gross motor skills and fine motor skills such as digging or drawing lines and circles.



Mathematics: This term we celebrated Number Day and looked at a number line 0-10. Next we will be looking at numbers in the environment and looking at 1:1 correspondence including counting numbers to match the objects. Please talk to your children about numbers you see in the environment such as numbers on buses, house numbers and phone numbers. You can record your child's thoughts and ideas in their home school communication book.

Understanding the World: This term the children have looked at people who are special to us. We have enjoyed experiencing real life events in our home area and enjoyed role playing in our mud kitchen and sand pit. Next term we will look at things that make us unique and be able to talk about and describe special events in our lives such as Birthdays.

Expressive Arts and Design: During our learning the children made a rocket for our display and created the moon and stars to link in with our book choice. We will continue to be learning nursery rhymes and singing number songs with rhymes. Miss Boyd is teaching us Yoga and dance every Thursday afternoon.

Outdoor Play: The outdoor environment is an important part of the curriculum as they weather improves the children will be spending more time learning outdoors. Please can you ensure you child has a pair of Wellington boots in school. This term we have been holding our own "Friends Round Friday" around the mud kitchen table. We have encouraged communication and language skills by implementing our new skills that the staff are sharing with the children. We are part of a study learning group called Hanen Speech & language.

RE - Our Come and See topic we have covered this term was 'Celebrating'. The children enjoyed talking about the celebrations they have taken part in with their friends. Our next RE topics are Gathering and Growing.

Keep an eye on our school Twitter account for updates on our new exciting topic after half term! @oli_primary

Please can we ask that all the children keep a spare change of clothes in school.

For more information on our curriculum visit our website at www.oliprimary.co.uk for our curriculum maps.

