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Principals Welcome

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to the Autumn 2 edition of the Broadoak newsletter!

The children settled in really well last half term and have been learning lots and working hard. Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us for parents evening to celebrate your children and to also find out what we can do to work together so your child can be the very best at all they do. At the end of this half term you will receive a Autumn report to document where your child is at.

Can you believe we are now in the run up to Christmas? This means we will have lots of fun and exciting things happening including nativity plays for the younger children, Christmas fairs, parties etc. We will make sure these are communicated with you so you know what is coming up.

This year we are having a huge push on our school attendance. Prior to covid we had amazing attendance which was above the national average however since returning to 'normality' it has dropped.

Let's work together to drive our attendance back up, ensuring that are children have consistency in the learning that they are receiving and not missing out on key knowledge. This also includes ensuring children arrive at school on time at 8.45. As soon as the children walk through the door they are taking part in a reading session therefore we need them all in on time to access this. Well done to all of the children who received a postcard before the holidays to celebrate 100% attendance and also those who were above 96%. A great start to the year.

I look forward to seeing what this busy half term has to bring.

Best wishes,

Fiona Lomas

Fiona Lomas
Principal



Attendance

Here's the attendance results for each class so far...

RNM - 94.10%

RSR - 92.73%

NSG - 90.17%

1LW - 92.91%

2AD - 96.95%

2BD - 94.51%

3AC - 94.43%

3NA - 96.48%

1SA - 95.75%

4LJ - 96.52%

5AJ - 93.77%

5SR - 93.78%

6MJ - 95.67%

4HW - 94.01%

6RC - 95.58%

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Whole school 94.6%

Foundation

Stage



Hello to our wonderful EYFS parents and carers! As we draw into the darker morning and nights, as we see the leaves turn brown and fall from the trees and as we begin digging out our warmer clothes, we have lots of fun and exciting learning happening on the run up to Christmas.

This half term, we will be exploring Autumn, other countries, and Celebrations around the world. We will look at the signs of autumn, the weather, the food, and the animals. We'll also consider if it is autumn across the world at this time of year. We will be going on lots of walks to spot these changes in our environment. We will be celebrating different religious stories like the Christmas story, Hannukah and Diwali (to name a few).

Within these topics, we will be using quality literature to inspire our writing. In early years, we begin looking at *Room on the Broom* and We're going on a Lion Hunt. Nursery will be looking at Handa's surprise and focussing on different types of fruit. They will then move onto Twinkle Twinkle little star in preparation for their Christmas assembly. Finally, everyone will look at Stickman as we nearer the end of half term.



In maths, we will be comparing amounts, size, mass and capacity. We'll also be describing and creating our own simple patterns. In reception, we will look closely at the numbers 4 and 5. We will be exploring quadrilaterals, pentagons, number bonds to 5 and subitising. We'll compare quantities (1 more and 1 less) and sort using weight and size. We have lots of other amazing learning that will be happening across the curriculum like art skills, music, PE, Personal social and emotional development, and fundamental learning habits.

Please make sure you are signed up to Seesaw and are accessing it regularly to see the WOW moments of your child. The teachers love to see any wow moments from home, as well as children doing home learning challenges. We post important messages here and we wouldn't want you to miss anything.



Children still don't need PE kits this half term. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing for the colder months. This should all be labelled with their name. If you need any further information than what's already gone out, let us know.

We are heading towards Christmas which means there will be lots of festivities happening. We will be carrying out the Reception nativity in our hall. Our nativity is at 9:30am on Monday 11th December. Nursery children will be performing for their parents in their very own assembly at 9:15am on Friday 8th December. More information will come out about these events nearer the time.



Reading is at the heart of the curriculum at OA Broadoak. It underpins all our areas of learning and is foundational for long lasting impact. In reception, we are completing phase 2 sounds and trying hard to segment and blend these sounds in words. We would appreciate if all children were practising their sounds at home using the sound cards that have been sent home in their packs. Nursery will continue exploring the letters of the alphabet and the sounds they make. They'll have lots of opportunities in our environment to practise these reading skills. This half term, you all received a take phonics book and a book for you to read to your child for enjoyment.



We are looking forward to the next half term of learning and exploring.

Miss Rathore and the EYFS Team



YEAR 1

**WELCOME BACK
TO ANOTHER
EXCITING TERM
IN YEAR 1.**



We are excited about what this term has in store for us leading up to Christmas. We can't wait to show you our nativity in December. This term, the children will be studying Citizenship and the World in our theme lessons and looking at significant figures in history. We will be learning about British Values in our PSHE lessons and continue to learn about and embed our Oasis 9 habits. In Science we are learning about space and by the end of the unit, we will know all the planets in the solar system.

In literacy, we will be reading the narrative 'The Way back Home' by Oliver Jeffers. Later in the half term we will be reading the narrative 'Man on the Moon' by Simon Bartram. We will be writing our own stories based around these two books. In numeracy, we will be continuing with our addition and subtraction within 10 unit, before moving on to our shape unit to end the half term.

It is essential the children have their books in school daily so we can have quiet reading in class and regularly change their reading books. Please ensure you are listening to your child read at least 3 times a week at home and signing the Boomreaders app after each read. Every child who reads at least 3 times a week at home will earn a gold star to count towards their reading badges, plus gems on Boomreader.

Phonics homework will be given to some children again throughout this half term for the children to practice daily at home alongside their reading books. We also ask the children to access Spelling shed, where they will be introduced to their weekly spellings which will be tested in school on a Friday. We also ask they access Sumdog weekly. Log in details are on the back on your child's iPad.

All children need a full PE kit in school, Year 1 PE days are Monday for 1LW (indoor), Wednesday (outdoor) for both classes and Friday for 1SA (indoor), but we ask that the children keep their kits in school until the end of the half term when they will then be sent home for washing. Please ensure all PE kits are labelled including pumps.

Your child will need to bring their own water into school every day with their name on their bottle. Please can we ask that the children don't bring juice in their bottle, just water.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. We are available at the end of each day at 3.15pm in our classrooms. Please can we take this opportunity to remind all parents that your child's school uniform needs to be labelled including coats and shoes.

We look forward to another fantastic half term with our classes and sharing your children's successes with you throughout the year. We want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support.

Miss Wright and Mrs Aktar

Year 2

Citizenship and The World. This is the topic we will be focussing on in Autumn term 2.

We will be exploring the history of railways in Britain and India and exploring our wonderful world. We will cap the topic off by looking at landscapes based on JMW Turner and creating our own beautiful masterpieces.

In maths, we will complete our knowledge of addition and subtraction before we investigate money. At this point, I would like to stress the importance of everyone continuing to learn their addition facts (adding two, single-digit numbers quickly e.g. $6 + 5 = 11$) and their times tables. All children continue to have access to Sumdog and they are also now familiar with Times table rockstars. All logins are inside their reading records.

In English, we will be exploring a range of high-quality picture books and poems to develop a love of reading. Our writing unit is based upon the tale The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch. We will use the story to write our own narratives and letters.

Your children are now familiar with Accelerated Reader. The reading book that is sent home is one that your child can easily read. This is so that they can focus on improving their reading fluency and enjoy the story. Your child will then quiz on this book in class to check their understanding of what they have read. Please encourage your child to read for at least 10 minutes every night and record any comments on Boomreader which was introduced last half term.

Year 2 will continue to have PE on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please make sure that every item of kit, including pumps, are labelled clearly. Pupils should NOT come to school in their PE kits. They will be getting changed in class, which is part of the National curriculum.

Learning is a partnership between home and school, so if you have any questions, please come, and speak to us. We can be found at our classroom doors at the end of most days. We are excited and looking forward to this half term.

Miss Davies and Miss Dale.



Year 3

Welcome back to another exciting half term in Year 3. We are excited about what this term has in store for us leading up to Christmas.

Our theme this half term explores Citizenship and the World. In geography, we will be making links between land use and settlement types, whilst exploring and comparing how they are used in the UK compared to Uganda which is the Oasis school we are learning about.

In history, we will be learning about different Inventions and ideas from around the world. We will look at various artefacts related to Egypt, such as the influence of hieroglyphics which helped shape the writing system we use today.

Our science topic is about rocks and soils. We will be researching and learning about how igneous rock, metamorphic rocks and fossils are formed to help us to observe and classify various types of rocks that we come across. We will also learn about how soils are made.

In maths, we are continuing to develop our understanding of addition and subtraction, whilst focusing on exchanging and crossing 10 or 100 using up to 3-digit numbers. All children are expected to continue to practice their times tables daily at home by using TT rockstars.

In our writing lessons, we will be creating our own narrative focusing on transformation. This will be based upon the book George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl.

Our reading lessons will continue to help us to expand our vocabulary knowledge whilst developing our inference and retrieval skills by reading various text types such as: The Wave, Lightning Storm and Rocks and Fossils. We will also learn a poem by heart called 'A magic medicine it shall be.'

Quentin Blake's work with watercolours and books like Zagazoo and George's Marvellous Medicine will be used as a stimulus for our artwork.

It is essential that the children bring their books in school daily. Please ensure you are listening to your child read daily (10-15 minutes), which will help them to build their confidence whilst developing their fluency. Record any comments on the Boomreader app after each read. Reading stars are awarded to count towards their reading badges.

Your child's PE days will continue to be Wednesday and Thursday's. Please ensure that they have the correct PE kit (pumps for indoors and trainers for outdoor PE) and a water bottle. We ask that the children keep their kits in school until the end of the half term when they will then be sent home for washing. Please ensure all PE kits are labelled including pumps.

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Mr Ajmal and Miss Chilton



Igneous Rocks



Granite



Scoria



Pumice



Obsidian

Metamorphic Rocks



Marble



Slate



Quartzite



Gneiss

Fossils



Soil



Year 4

This half term, our theme is 'citizenship and the world' and so we'll be travelling all over the world starting from Ashton to Paris using a beautiful picture book 'A lion in Paris'. Then, we will be shooting off to the moon with 'Moon Man'. On our journey throughout Europe and space we will complete some beautiful narrative writing along with a fantastic persuasive piece. We've been working hard on our beautiful presentation; this will continue this half term as we continue to produce some of our very best work.

This exploration will continue throughout History and Geography where, as geographers, we will be learning all about Volcanoes, Earthquakes, and, as historians, the Ancient Greeks. We have a busy half term of travelling the globe...and even further. So, pack your brains (definitely necessary!) and your passports (not strictly necessary!) as we explore some scary natural disasters and get groovy with the Greeks!

We'll be painting seascapes in our wonderful art studio as we fly over in the style of Hokusai and maintaining a close eye on the flying conditions with our weather diary.

In Maths, we will be learning about area of shapes as well as developing our multiplication skills- if you need new carpets, we'll know just how to work that out!

In science, we will be popping on our goggles to carry out various investigations to learn all about the states of matter- solids, liquids, and gases.

PE for 4LJ will take place on Tuesdays (outdoor) and Thursdays (indoor). 4HW will have PE on Wednesdays (outdoors) and Thursdays(indoors). We are lucky enough to have a specialist dance tutor coming in on the Thursday so be ready to boogie! Please ensure children have the correct PE kit in school.

TT rockstars, reading books (and logging on Boomreader) and sumdog are still daily home learning requirements so please ensure these are being completed. Ipad's must be brought in daily fully charged along with reading books. Our school day starts at 8.45, so please arrive on time to make the most of your lessons. There is an attendance trophy up for grabs if we can have the best attendance in school each week!

We can't wait to continue our learning this half term year 4!

Mrs Jenkins and Mrs Woolf



Year 5



“If it were not for Jub there would be no happy endings, none at all. But one night, on her way to make sure that every story told in the world ends well, Jub is caught by a wicked witch who steals all the happy endings.”

This half-term the children will be studying Carol Ann Duffy's beautiful novel: *The Lost Happy Endings*. The children will draw on their knowledge of fairy tales to produce writing in the form of a traditional tale for the first part and a balanced argument to end the term.

In maths we will be finishing our statistics unit, which we began before half-term. We will then move on to multiplication and division before ending the term looking at area and perimeter. Maths experts coming your way!

In History or mini historians will be focusing on what life was like in Early Islamic Civilizations, including their major achievements. The children will then compare experiences of life in Bagdad and the Islamic Empire to that of Britain and Europe during the same period of history.

In geography the children will know what London, Brussels and New York are best known for (we don't mean fish and chips, Brussel sprouts and pastrami sandwiches!). We'll be exploring landmarks and locations and be carefully comparing similarities and differences in order to better understand the lifestyle and culture of these three fascinating cities. (Unfortunately, there is no school trip to New York included!)

In science we will donning our astronaut helmets to help us explore Earth and Space. We will be looking at our solar system and zoning in on the sun, planets, and moons: we're learning all about moon phases and the position of planets in our vast solar system.

In Art, we will be focusing on Japanese Sumi-e ink painting during our discrete lessons and learning all about the techniques of the artist Henri Rousseau throughout our thematic lessons – watch this space for some wonderful artwork!

The children must continue to complete their home reading – please remember to log this on Boomreader. Adults please help us with this by logging comments when you have read with your child or you have read to them! They also need to practise on TT rockstars/Sumdog daily.

5SR will continue to go swimming this half term. Please make sure that children have their swimming kits on Tuesdays.

PE lessons are on Monday for 5SR and Monday and Friday for 5AJ this half term.

Miss Jones and Mr Rahman



Year 6

With all our knowledge of migration and building on prior learning from year 5, we are super excited to be delving into the works of Sean Tan in this terms novel – The Arrival. This isn't your ordinary novel, it's actually a silent graphic novel. Children will be able to put their inference and deduction skills to practise and create a thought-provoking and inspiring narrative about a migrant's journey to an unknown place. We can't wait to see what the children produce and how creative and thoughtful we know they are going to be.

In Maths, children will start the term by completing their 'four operations' unit before beginning their learning on fractions, using their knowledge from previous knowledge to further their learning. They will then be moving onto position and direction in geometry. Their multiplication knowledge will be key to support their learning in these topics – TT rockstars and Sumdog learning at home is a must!

Our theme this half term is 'Citizenship and the World.' We will be thinking about our role in the world and how our lives have been and continue to be impacted by our shared history with other nations. In our history lessons, we will become historians and will focus on the impact of the Industrial Revolution; how this affected our relationships with other countries and how this affects us even today. With our geography hats on, we are exploring the use of natural resources; how they're used, the effects of their uses and how this has impacted settlement patterns. Our themed art lessons will centre around the works of Andre Derain and his works of landscapes. Children will choose one of Derain's poems to write a cinquain poem and create their own landscape artwork of street views based on Derain works – we can't wait to see your masterpieces hanging in our art galleries!

Finally, in science, we will be exploring living things. We will be learning all about classification (of plants and organisms), who Carl Linnaeus is and the Linnean taxonomy system, understanding what microorganisms are and relating their new knowledge of classification to things in their own locality.

As a final reminder, in year 6 it is expected that children complete their allocated TT Rockstars, Sumdog and BoomReader logs at home. Teachers may increase this to daily in the first term to ensure the best possible progress for your child in year 6. Parents can access boomreader also via their own devices and logging your comments to your child's reading is super helpful. Any issues with this, get in touch! PE days are Monday and Thursday for both classes. Please ensure children have the correct PE kit on these days, so they can fully participate in the lesson.

Finally, we also have an exciting trip to the Science and Industry Museum coming up this half term, which is scheduled for the 5th December for 6MJ and the 6th December for 6RC.

**Any questions, please do get in touch.
Miss Carr and Mrs Javed.**

Plants and organisms



Industrial Revolution



Andre Derain



Fractions



Citizenship and the World



Clubs Autumn 2023



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS1 (Years 1 - 2)	• Arts & Crafts 1HT	• Boxing Year 3 & 4	• Street Dance	• Board games	• Adventure games
KS2 (Years 3 - 5)	• Boxing • Dodgeball • Girls football	• Street Dance • Rounders	• Boxing • Super Singers	• Rhythm Basketball • Gymnastics • African drumming	• Netball • Boys football

Autumn 2 Term Dates

Monday 30th October - Return to school (Autumn term 2)

Friday 10th December - Own Clothes Day (£1 donation)

Friday 17th November - Children in Need (Wear Yellow, £1 donation)

Friday 24th November - Own clothes (chocolate donation)

Thursday 30th November - Own Clothes day (unwanted gifts)

Thursday 30th November - Christmas Fair

Friday 1st December - Whole school Panto (Beauty and the Beast)

Friday 8th December - Christmas Jumper day

Friday 8th December - Whole Christmas Dinner

Friday 15th December - Last day of term

Tuesday 3rd January - Return to school (Spring term 1)

Happy
Christmas

