Oak Class

Curriculum Update

Spring term 2025

Literacy

This half term we will be studying The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling and comparing it to the Graveyard Book. We will be writing various text types throughout the term related to the books we will be reading.

Year 5 Year 6

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National curriculum requirements: Spelling: To spell words with endings which spelt –cious or –tious, words ending in –ant, – ance/–ancy, –ent, –ence/–ency, words ending in –able and –ible Words ending in –ably and – ibly. Words containing the letter-string ough

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To use using an active and passive voice and be able to change between type of voice.

Colons, semi-colons, hyphens, dashes.

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National curriculum requirements:

To spell words adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in –fer, use of the hyphen, words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c, words with 'silent' letters, homophones and other words that are often confused.

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Maths

This term will focus on fractions, decimals and percentages, measurement; converting units, perimeter, area and volume.

Year 6- ratio and algebra.

Year 5	Year 6
Fractions	Fractions
Equivalent fractions	Equivalent fractions
Improper fractions to mixed numbers	Simplify fractions
Mixed numbers to improper fractions	Improper fractions to mixed numbers
Number sequences	Mixed numbers to improper fractions
Compare and order fractions	Number sequences
Add and subtract fractions with different	Compare and order fractions
denominators	Add and subtract fractions with different
Add 3 or more fractions	denominators
Add and subtract mixed number fractions	Add 3 or more fractions
Multiple fractions	Add and subtract mixed number fractions
Fractions of an amount	Divide fractions
	Multiple fractions
Decimals	Fractions of an amount
Round decimals with 2 decimal places to the	Equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages
nearest whole number	Recap of KS2 learning
Read, write, order and compare numbers with	
up to 3 decimal places	Decimals
Read and write decimal numbers as fractions	Identify the value of each digit to 3 decimal
(tenths, hundreds, thousands)	places
Solve problems involving numbers up to 2	Divide by 10, 1000, 1000 (giving answers to 3
decimal places	decimal places.
	Multiply by 10, 1000, 1000 (giving answers to 3
Percentages	decimal places.
Recognise the percent symbol and that this	Multiply 1 digit numbers with up to 2 decimal
relates to parts out of 100	places by whole numbers using written methods
Write percentages as a fraction and as a decimal	Written division methods where the answer has
Solve problems which require % knowledge	up to 2 dp.
	Round decimals with 2 decimal places to the
Measurement	nearest whole number
Convert between different units of metric	Read, write, order and compare numbers with

measure

Compare metric and imperial units
Measure and calculate the perimeter of
rectilinear shapes in cm and m
Calculate and compare the area of rectangles
using squares and standard units
Estimate volume and capacity using 1cm2 cubes
Solve problems involving units of time

up to 3 decimal places

Read and write decimal numbers as fractions (tenths, hundreds, thousands)
Solve problems involving numbers up to 2
decimal places

Percentages

Calculate percentage of amounts Recall and use equivalences between simple fractions, decimals and percentages Solve problems which require % knowledge

Measurement

Enumerate possibilities of combinations of two variables

Use simple formulae

Generate and describe linear number sequences Express missing number problems algebraically Find pairs of numbers that satisfy an equation with 2 unknowns

Ratio

Solve problems involving the relative sizes of two quantities where missing values can be found

Solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known or can be found Solve problems involving unequal sharing and grouping using knowledge of fractions and multiples.

Algebra

Enumerate possibilities of combinations of two variables

Use simple formulae

Generate and describe linear number sequences Express missing number problems algebraically Find pairs of numbers that satisfy an equation with 2 unknowns

Science

Light

- How do we see colour
- What is light and where does it come from?
- What is reflection and how we use it
- What is refraction and how we use it
- How do we see light?
- Where do colours come from?
- What are some uses of light?

Electricity

- Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit
- Compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches.
- Use recognised symbols when
- Representing a simple circuit in a diagram.

Geography / History

We will be studying the Sikh Empire.

- To identify how unification around the Sikh Misl Confederacy happened.
- To describe the impact of Sikh beliefs on society.
- To recognise the significance of Lahore as a trade centre in the Sikh Empire.
- To explain the significance of Maharaja Ranjit Singh and his impact on the Sikh Empire.
- To evaluate different historical interpretations of the Sikh Empire.
- To identify the significant achievements of the Sikh Empire.

Art & DT

In art this term we will be drawing and print making.

In DT this term we will be exploring Indian food.

Music	Computing
We will be exploring and learning drumming and	First half term:
bhangra music.	Game creator
	Second half term: Concept maps and data bases

PE	PSHE
Drumba	First half term:
	Dreams and goals
Netwall games	
	Second half term:
Hockey	Healthy me

RE	French
First half term: How can following God bring	This term:
freedom and justice?	In French this term we will be recapping phonics, numbers, basic conversations, telling the time,
Second half term: What do Christians believe Jesus did to save?	giving basic directions and learning about hobbies.