**Oak Class Newsletter**

**Summer 2 -2018**

We all hope you had a great half-term break. The children have come back full of enthusiasm – which has really shown in their work! The year has really flown by and now we are busy preparing ourselves for next year.

**A note from Mr Rutter**

We found out lots of interesting things about bugs las half-term, including why they are really important.

This term our topic title is “We’re going on a \_\_\_\_\_\_ hunt”. The children have been thinking about what they might like to fill that gap with. We have already started our adventures by ‘Going on a Dragon Hunt’ – by reading ‘The Dragon Machine’. We have explored the text in detail and thought about what would happen if the mischievous dragons were to come to our classroom.

Next week we will plan and write our own version of this story but replace the dragon with something different.

We have also started to share the story of Peter Pan, which will give us plenty of things to go hunting for later in the term.

In our Maths work, we will finish our work on time, look at position and direction (geometry) and look at measurement further (capacity and mass). We will also revisit some areas that we have found challenging this year.

We will also be exploring the geography of the UK, finding out about London, observing our plants grow, exploring the suitability of different materials in DT and replicating the style of Picasso in art.

**Home Learning**

Please keep reading at home – we love hearing how passionate the children are about reading their books. Reading is also a great way of practising our sounds from phonics and looking out for those spelling patterns we have been looking at in class – these are shared with you to support your child’s learning. Signed reading records are now worth a special reading dojo too – so make sure that you write in reading records so that we can count them all up. The spelling work that is sent home is really important, as this will help your child to embed what they have learned at school.

The children have been doing fantastically well with their SMIRFs work, so please keep practising at home. These targets are crucial to helping to build up fluency in maths work.

**General notices**

- Please remember suncream and hats for sunny days.

- We also may need wellies and waterproofs for wet days.

- PE kits are needed **every week** – including trainers as most of our PE will take place outside this half term.

- We are not swimming this half term, so swimming kits are not required.

- Please inform a member of the Oak team if you have alternative pick up

arrangements at the end of the day.

**Forthcoming Important Dates & Events**

Thursday 14th June - Sports Afternoon @ 1.00pm

Tuesday 9th July – KS2 Production - 'Shakespeare Rocks' @ 1.30pm

Wednesday 10th July – KS2 Production - 'Shakespeare Rocks' @ 6.00pm