



# Hollingbourne Primary School

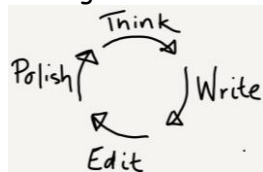
## Oak Class

Welcome to Oak Class.

Here is the overview for Autumn Term 1. It will give you a flavour of the topics planned. However, should you need any further information, please do pop in and have a chat.

### ENGLISH

All English lessons are based around a quality text or short film. These are studied in detail and children are immersed in the text, creating excitement and engagement. Writing pieces are then created by the children which link closely to the book/film being studied. This enables children to experience and become expert in writing for many different purposes, helping them develop their skills as an author.



Grammar and punctuation skills are then further built upon by using examples provided by the author and book being studied as well as learning opportunities within the classroom.

Spelling is taught and practiced daily; children are taught spelling rules and various strategies to help them remember words learnt as well as how to tackle new words.

We will also be using our history topic to create different non-fiction texts, such as information texts and presentations. ICT skills will also be developed as we will be using our school laptops to research and complete presentations.

### MATHS

In maths, children will be looking at developing their place value skills further, understanding how to read, write, order and compare large numbers, determining the value of each digit. They will learn how to interpret negative numbers in context and how to calculate intervals across zero. Children will be learning to round numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000, 10000 and 100,000. They will practice solving number and practical problems involving all of these areas.

Children will learn how to read Roman numerals to 1000 and how to interpret years using Roman numerals.

They will also revisit addition and subtraction using mental strategies and large numbers and become proficient and accurate in using formal written methods in both these operations.

We will also begin to revisit multiplication and division using the formal written methods, with the latter learning how to interpret remainders appropriately.

Oak class will also continue to use TT Rockstars (paper version) 3 times a week against the clock. Regular practice will have an impact on their speed and accuracy.

The online version is also available to all children - please remind and encourage them to practice regularly at home. Times tables are a key mathematical skill and TT Rockstars is a fun, motivating way for them to develop this.

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### **ICT**

We are going to look closely at Word and PowerPoint and how to use these programs effectively.

We will also be revisiting internet safety and ensuring we understand how to be safe online.

### **HISTORY**

This term we will be looking at The Battle of Britain and the role this important battle played within the Second World War. The children will be researching, learning and creating their own information text about this pivotal battle.

### **FRENCH**

In French this term, we will focus on Traditional Tales and Classic Children's Stories.

### **PE**

We have a specialist teacher in from The Lenham School this term and will be completing gymnastics for this term.

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school, including spare socks for those who may be wearing tights as these should be removed for PE lessons for hygiene reasons. Hair below shoulder length should be tied back for PE lessons so please ensure children have a spare hair band in their bags in case they need one.

### **RE**

In RE the new curriculum is made up of three strands. They are: Believing, Expressing and Living. Key questions are asked throughout the year giving children the opportunity to explore different religions and perspectives.

Our question for this term is: *Why do some people think God exists? (Christians, Hindus and/or Jewish people).*

### **ART/DESIGN**

We will focus upon different drawing techniques using pencils. Children will learn about pressure, tone, texture, shading and perspective before creating their own masterpieces, which will focus upon the symbolic poppy flower.

### **MUSIC**



An expert music teacher will be teaching Oak Class the flute.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Miss Allen**

**Class Teacher & Deputy Headteacher**