



P.P.S. Oak Class

Summer Term 2021

People who help us

Over the next few weeks, Oak Class' topics will be 'People who help us' and 'Animals'. Below are some of the key skills that we will be teaching the children through these topics.

Literacy

We will be reading the story 'Emergency' and talking about the different people who help us in the community. We will then be comparing fiction and non fiction, talking about the layout of non fiction books and how this differs from fiction books. We will make a class book of information sheets, writing facts about people who help us in the community.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be taking part in many role play opportunities, using costumes and props to develop our play. As we make up different stories, we will be thinking about how to take turns when speaking to our peers, as well as sharing costumes and talking through any disagreements.

Using the wooden blocks and other construction resources, we will be making buildings and vehicles which we can include in our stories. Whilst building, we will think about the length and height of our buildings and vehicles, to make them fit for purpose.

PE

During the second half of the Summer Term, we will be practising our spacial awareness skills, making sure that we are aware of others when moving around us and how to travel safely around, through and under obstacles. We will also be continuing to develop our bat and ball skills, making sure that we keep our eyes on the ball and can use a bat safely.

Below are a few activities that you might like to do with your child at home, however please feel free to bring in any other learning activities you have carried out with your child.

- Talk about your job or another relative's job with your child and talk about how you or your relative help people.
- While in the car, count how many emergency vehicles you spot and discuss what each vehicle is for, thinking about the similarities and differences.
- Talk about how to make a phone call to 999 and when you would use this number.
- Talk about stranger danger and who might help you if you were lost or in danger.



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Animals

Literacy

We will be sharing books together such as 'Rumble in the Jungle' and 'Commotion in the Ocean'. The children will explore the rhyming within the books, as well as dressing up as different animals and thinking about how they might sound and move.

We will also be using non fiction books and the internet to find out about where animals live and why they live in different habitats. We will also learn about the importance of conservation and how to protect animals and their environment.

Understanding the World

After finding out more about the different animals, we will be making comparisons between them and exploring the patterns and appearance of animals. We will be talking about animals that we might have at home as pets, thinking about the importance of how to care for them.

Mathematical Development

During Maths we will be learning about doubling, understanding that doubling means having twice as many. We will experiment with different ways of representing doubles and how to write number sentences to show doubles. As we use construction toys to build, we will be doubling the height and length, talking about what we have found out.

We will then move onto sharing, exploring how to share fruit, sweets and toys between 2, 3 and 4 people. We will talk about even and uneven groups, and what we can do to solve these problems.

Below are a few activities that you might like to do with your child at home, however please feel free to bring in any other learning activities you have carried out with your child.

- Make a fact sheet about a favourite animal, thinking about what it looks like, where it lives and what it eats.
- Look at the different patterns on animals and talk about what they can see and why the animal might be a certain colour or have a specific pattern. They might also like to design a different animal with a new pattern!
- Count the animals that you can see during a walk and then write this number with a stick in mud or with stones.
- Record a video of your pet at home, telling us about how you help to care for them. Please then upload this video onto Tapestry so that we can share it with the rest of the class.

Home learning challenges

Over the next week, we will be sending challenges home for your child to complete, similar to those in the Autumn Term. Once your child has shown they can achieve this challenge three times, please return it to school so that we can celebrate their achievement in class. We will then send home further challenges.