

King's Oak Primary School - Blossom Red and Green - Spring Term 2022 - 2023



OUR TEAM

Mrs Miller - SRP lead. Miss Owens and Ms Khan - Teachers.
Mrs Russell, Mrs Jennings and Mrs McKearney - Teaching assistants.
Mrs Turner - Speech and language therapist.
Jenny - Occupational therapist. Erin Waller - OT assistant.

OT Every morning we do Sensory Circuits to help us settle into the school day. Some fine motor activities we do daily include: handwriting, theraputty, therabands, threading, cutting skills and tweezer work. Some gross motor activities we do daily include: throwing, catching, balancing, yoga, core strength, hopping and jumping. Each child has fine motor and a gross motor targets that we are working towards each term, you can find these on their IEP and also practice them regularly at home. Jenny works on Wednesday's and Erin on Friday's directly with the children.

PHONICS: We will continue with our phonics scheme **Sounds Write** this year and we will be teaching the children to read, write and spell using this approach. If you would like to support your child at home or would like any more information, there are parent videos available online at <https://www.sounds-write.co.uk/>. You can also sign up for the free parent course (link available on the website) if you would like to. If you have further questions please ask in the homeschool diary.

GUIDED READING Through reading a range of fiction and non-fiction texts, we will be learning how to predict, infer and answer questions. We will be looking closely at new vocabulary, and how to apply this. We will continue to develop our fluency and interest in new texts. We will be visiting the school library every Thursday.

TIMETABLES Your child will spend time between the SRP and his/her mainstream class. Each child has an individual timetable. Your child will have three PE sessions a week - two in mainstream and one in Blossom. Please dress your child in their PE kit on PE days. Their PE days are in their homeschool diaries. Please see your child's mainstream curriculum newsletter for more information about mainstream PE slots.

Whole School Dates

Internet Safety Day- 7th February
Half term week- 13th February
Parent's Evening - 28th February
31st March- End of spring term. 2pm

Trips and visits

Please see your child's mainstream newsletter for information about their trips this term.

HOMESCHOOL DIARIES These will be sent home in your children's bags each day. We aim to write in the books at least twice a week. Any additional information personal to you, for example, if your child has had a challenging day or a fantastic day it will be written in the book. On occasions, there may be incidents that happen in mainstream classes and not in the SRP and so if anything has been missed or your child is particularly upset about something that has happened at school, please write this in the book to let us know.

You are welcome to telephone us at school with any urgent queries and we will get back to you as soon as we can. **Any queries regarding clubs, After School Club, Breakfast Club, letters and trips should be dealt with through the School Office, not through Blossom.** Please also remember to use Parentmail and the School Website as sometimes you may find the answers there.

MATHS We will be focusing on basic number skills, addition, subtraction and multiplication and division for Spring term. We will be having a focus on our reasoning skills in every maths lesson. Children will think carefully about how they solved questions and solve problems daily. We use lots of different resources such as beadstrings, dienes, number lines and counters in our maths lessons. Your child has a Mathematics login - please feel free to explore mathematics at home - the log in details are in their home school diaries.

ENGLISH Throughout English lessons we will be focusing on our handwriting, spelling and punctuation. A focus is on all sentences making sense and beginning a sentence with a capital letter and finishing with a full stop. This term we will be focusing on talking and listening to our talking partners and writing for different purposes. Books we are planning to cover this term in English lessons are, *The Way Home for Wolf*, *The Day the Crayons Quit*, *Tyrannosaurus Drip* and *Meerkat Mail*.

HOMEWORK Please ensure you are writing in reading records and reading with your child as much as possible. Your child will be sent a book linked to their phonics and a book to support your child's fluency and comprehension. Mathematics and Times Table Rock Stars are accessible online so please let us know in homeschool books if you have any problems with online access. Your child will not be set compulsory weekly homework, however, if your child finds an area of learning challenging, we may set them work to help them to progress. This will be in their purple homework book.