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Oak Class Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! Happy New Year; I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas.

This term we will be learning about America, through our Topic 'The American Dream'. Children will be learning about New York before February half term, after which they will learn about a range of places in America by 'travelling' along Route 66. We will be getting a lot of creative and non-fiction writing out of this topic, as well as art and D&T.

During maths lessons we will be focussing on place value and general number knowledge, before moving on to fractions. We will be building in much more opportunity for children to answer reasoning questions, to apply their knowledge of number to more difficult problems. Any extra work you can do at home on times tables would be extremely beneficial to help with this focus. In literacy we will be starting our new class book, 'Street Child'. Based in Victorian London, the children will also have the chance to learn about what life was like in Victorian England as well as develop their writing skills through the text.

Homework will continue to be set on a Friday to be handed back in on a Wednesday. Children will receive times table practice and spellings weekly. Maths and Literacy work will be set on alternating weeks, one week the children will receive maths work linked to what we are doing in class, and the following they will receive a literacy-based task.

We will be continuing to follow Kent Agreed Syllabus (KAS) for R.E. In Terms 3 and 4 our key questions to explore are 'How can following God bring freedom and justice?' and 'What did Jesus do to save human beings?'

PE days will change to Mondays and Fridays. Children will be taught dance by Mrs Buxton on a Monday. Please ensure your child has a full kit in school for both of these P.E slots, including correct footwear.

Please make an appointment to meet with me if you have any concerns regarding your child.

Kind regards,

Mrs Yates

Oak Class Teacher

