



Olive School

EYFS Newsletter

Autumn Term: 2023



This half term the children will be learning about the following:

- **Literacy** - During this half term the children will begin by learning about Changes in seasons with a focus of Autumn. From this they will go into exploring Space, they will explore key facts and learn about the difference between fiction and non-fiction. Finally, we will move onto reading and responding to the book 'Oliver's Vegetables' by Vivian French. The children will explore the different types of vegetables that Oliver finds and then have a chance to innovate the story with a new character and different vegetables. The children will be visiting the library to end the term and celebrate our love for reading. Further details to follow.
- **Numeracy** - In Numeracy, children will initially be securing their counting and Number skills. Children will explore different arrangements of number up to 10 and think about different bonds to 10. We will end the term understanding 2d and 3d shapes further and explore the properties.
- **Topic** - The term will start with the children exploring the season of autumn. The children will go for a nature walk and explore and learn about all the different changes that happen at this time. As part of Expressive Arts and Design the children will have a focus of drawing in the style of 'Monet' the artist. Thinking about different lines and medias to create a observational drawing of a vegetable by the end of term.

What you can do to help.

- **Literacy** - The children are learning a range of letter sounds and will need to practise the formation of these letters from Phase 2. This can be done large scale outside and using paper and pencils. Please encourage your child to use their phonic sound mats to create simple CVC words. When speaking children are also encouraged to speak in complete sentences. This will then support the sentence structure in their writing.
- **Numeracy** - Please encourage your child to count forwards and backwards securely to 10. Assist your child to identify and form the different numbers correctly and have a go at ordering the numbers from smallest to largest. Explore with children what happens when you put two smaller amounts together (early addition) and what happens when you take an amount away from a group (early subtraction).
- **Phonics** - Please talk to your child about the letter sound they have learnt that day. You could practise the formation and recognising the letter in print. Listening games can be fun where the child needs to listen for the initial and final sounds in a word. Encourage your child to blend and make CVC words.
- **Topic**- Talk about the environment and the changes that are happening, find out about what happens to animals at this time.
- Please read with your child as often as you can. The STAR reader books your child brings home is a great way to read together and enjoy familiar books.
- Please support your child in the completion of homework and in the formation of their letters.
- Work together with your child on achieving their targets for this half term.

Have you got any questions?

You are welcome to ask the teachers questions about your child and their school work. However, the teachers can only see you when all the children have been picked up from school. If you would like to talk to your child's teacher you will need to wait until all children have been dismissed or call the office on 01254 54070 to arrange an appointment.

PE

Ibn Umar - Thursday AM

Bint Muhammed - Friday AM

Ibn Zubayr - Thursday PM

Can we please remind you that children should not be wearing **any** jewellery in school and should have the appropriate PE kit in school.

Welly Wednesdays

Forest school sessions have started in school this term. Please ensure your child comes in appropriate outerwear every Wednesdays. The children will be given wellingtons for the time they carry out their session in school.

Reading Books.

Please read with your child and comment in their reading records. Books will be changed on **Mondays** and **Thursdays**. Books may not be changed if they are not signed. Children need to bring their books every day. Please log into Oxford owl to read online books and complete quizzes.