

# Oak class

Class Teachers: Miss Yeomans and Mr Crocker

Classes: Year 5 and 6.

In Oak class, we believe that children should have opportunities to learn in many different ways to allow them to thrive and to give them a space to express their imagination, creativity, critical thinking and individuality. Learning will be in-line with the English National Curriculum to ensure children receive the most from their education.

## Homework

In Oak Class, we use Seesaw for learning at home. Homework will be uploaded every Friday and is checked and due the following Friday. All children will be given an access code to Seesaw so that they can see and practice their weekly spellings, as well as a mathematics task, and occasionally there may be a fun foundation subject activity too.

## Reading

Reading is so important for literacy and language development and reading a little bit everyday can make a huge difference. In Oak Class, we have reading diaries that are used to document children's reading; these are also checked every Friday. We really encourage parents to sit down with their child and read everyday, even for 5 minutes.

## Rewards in classroom

In Oak class, we also use Dojo points. When the class has reached a specific milestone, all the children will have a reward of their choice. To reward completing homework, children will be entered into a class raffle each week they complete the homework tasks, giving them the chance to win a prize! As well, because reading is so important for learning, if children read 5 times a week and this is recorded in their reading diaries, they will receive Dojo's towards the class reward.

### SAT's

Year 6 The SATs (Standard Assessment Tests) in KS2 (Key Stage 2) are national assessments administered to children in Year 6 in the UK. These are statutory tests for Reading, SPaG (spelling, punctuation and grammar), and Maths. These tests help to inform the teacher of the children's progress in primary school, which will identify if the children are working towards the standard, at the expected standard or Greater Depth (working above the standard) in these subject areas.

These are nothing to worry about, and at MEPS we foster a positive environment where learning is for fun and discovery of new concepts. We do not apply any undue pressure to the statutory tests and we just encourage children to just do their best as we believe learning should be for supporting children to reach their full potential. To ease any anxiety around this time, we have SAT's breakfast each morning the SAT's take place and have breaks to play after the test has taken place.

### P.E

Every Monday and Wednesday we have P.E. Please make sure your child wears comfortable clothes and trainers so your child can get stuck in with our P.E lessons.

### Forest school

At MEPS, we are very lucky to have forest school every Friday afternoon, please ensure that your child brings wellies and waterproofs, so they can enjoy the forest school fun whatever the weather!

### Healthy eating

At Michaelchurch Escley Primary School we believe in promoting healthy lifestyles. We kindly request that you pack your child's lunchbox with nutritious fruit or vegetable options and for children have at snack time. Children will also need a water bottle with a sports lid everyday to keep hydrated, especially when we have outdoor or active lessons.

