



Year 4 Newsletter

SPRING TERM - CELTIC COUNTRIES

LITERACY This term we will be focusing on developing our basic skills in reading, writing and oracy.

We will be reading and interpreting a variety of texts, and producing extended writing as part of our lessons, in a range of genres. We have high expectations for handwriting and presentation, and we will be developing these throughout the term. We will be working on our speaking and listening skills through a range of oracy activities. *The genres we will cover are: Persuasion - by creating an advert to encourage others to visit Wales. Non-Chronological report - providing information about Wales and Scotland - The Celtic Countries*



NUMERACY In Mathematics, we will continue to focus on developing our number and place value skills during Spring Term. However, we will also begin to focus on other areas such as shape and measure. Numeracy homework will be provided online, either through TT Rockstars or Google Classroom. We are also continuing to work on our 'Big Maths' sessions to develop our core number skills. During our topics, we will be applying our number skills across a variety of activities. Please help to support your child's progress by practicing times-tables and basic number skills at home. Remember all online platforms the children use in school can be accessed at home.



THRILLING THEMES! This term, we will continue to be learning about a number of different topics, with our main focus being **Humanities**. We will be looking at Wales and Scotland and comparing these countries across the half term. We will also have an **Expressive Arts** focus where we will be learning about landscape artists and becoming young artists ourselves.

- **Health and Wellbeing:** We will be exploring how we can develop into healthy, confident individuals ready for whatever challenges the world may throw our way. Our Jigsaw piece this half term is 'Dreams and Goals' where we will cover:

Explaining hopes and dreams to others.

Understand that some dreams do not come true and that can hurt.

Overcoming disappointment.

Know how to make a new plan and set new goals even if the individual has been disappointed.

Supporting each other in their goals and celebrating success, experiences and storing these as an internal treasure chest.



- **Science and Technology:** In Science, we will develop our investigative skills through a range of opportunities that encourage scientific thinking, as well as learning to form predictions and conclusions, while using previous knowledge to justify our opinions. We will be using ICT as an integral part of our learning, and developing our skills to use in the digital world, our topic title this half term is 'Data, Data Everywhere'.

REMINDERS:

- **We will be using Google Classroom to support our learning in class.** You are also able to log onto this at home to complete homework tasks or further your learning from the school day.
- **We use Class Dojo to share work and messages.** If you require any further support with accessing your account, please contact us.
- **Keeping up to date:** Our Class webpage is regularly updated with information. <https://www.oakfieldprimary.com/> We also share messages on Twitter (and Class Dojo as previously mentioned) Please look at these for future communications.

We are very much looking forward to the next term together. The children have had such a positive first term back. Remember to continue working hard and be the best you can be - let's reach for the stars!

