

# Oak Class Curriculum Overview – Term 5 and 6

## *Landscape*

### **English—**

In our English lessons this term, Oak Class will be delving deep into our new *Create Project of Landscape*. In the first few weeks of Term 5 (in April), we will use Jane Considine's writing approach to compose a narrative based on Neil Gaiman's *Hansel and Gretel*. Throughout this term, we will consider the following question: *How do the arts reflect where we live?*

Our first class reader this term will be *Skellig* by David Almond.

We will cover the objectives below:

- ⇒ Honing Year 5/6 spelling rules;
- ⇒ Consistently deploying correct apostrophes and homophones;

### **Maths—**

Owls will continue focusing on the following Maths units this term (see below) while revisiting the **Four Operations** (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) and applying them to problems.

We will cover the following curriculum objectives:

- ⇒ Reflection/translation on a quadrant;
- ⇒ Coordinates;
- ⇒ Volume;
- ⇒ Time word problems (train timetables etc.)
- ⇒ Converting measures - m, km, g, kg, imperial to metric.

### **RE—**

This term's focus is **Buddhism**. Over the course of the term, pupils will enquire about and explore how Buddha taught his followers to find enlightenment. Pupils will examine different symbols of enlightenment and Buddhist teachings and way of life.



### **Science—**

Children will be learning about **Electricity** this term. They will learn how to associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number of voltage cells used in the circuit. They will learn how to compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and on/off position of switches; and finally they use recognized symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.

### **PE—**

This term, Owls will begin by developing their skills in **Athletics and Tennis** during their two PE sessions each week.

### **PSHE—**

This term's focus is **'Healthy Me'** where pupils will be taught how to take responsibility for health and wellbeing. Pupils will learn about eating a healthy and balanced diet, being physically active, and about keeping themselves and others safe by enjoying healthy relationships.

### **Arts —**

Our new 'Arts' Project will pervade all areas of learning and, in 'Art' itself, we will try to answer our term's key question, *How do the arts reflect where we live?* We will kickstart the term with an analysis of Eric Ravilious's and Faye Bridgwater's landscape paintings of Sussex.

In **Music**, children will explore how music can represent landscapes and scenes. Children will learn that the different elements of music combine to evoke different landscapes. Children will listen to and appraise a variety of composers and genres, creating their own pieces. We will also learn to play trombones!

### **French —**

Pupils will learn about the topic 'school life' this term, identifying names of things in the classroom and giving/understanding basic classroom instructions.

### **Computing —**

We will continue to improve children's articulacy of key points relating to e-safety (building on learning last term) while also completing a short 'Spreadsheets' unit.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our topic this term is **Landscape**

Thank you all for continuing to support your child at home by:

- reading daily
- logging onto TT Rockstars.

You can support this project by getting outside and sketching the landscape around you—urban or rural.

Visiting the Towner Art Gallery in Eastbourne to see the paintings by Eric Ravilious.

Visiting Ditchling Art Museum to see the landscape work of Raymond Briggs.

Discussing how film makers set the scene in films you watch.

Listening to a wide range of music and considering what sort of place it might evoke and why.

**Key Dates:**

Curriculum meeting—Monday, April 29th 3.15pm

Residential parents' meeting—Tuesday, June 4th 3.15pm

Sports Day— Friday, June 21st (reserve date June 28th)

Trombone performance—Thursday, June 27th time tbc (evening)

Diocesan Leavers' Service at Lancing College Chapel—Thursday, July 4th 10.30am (arrive there at 9.30am for rehearsal)

Lewes Chamber Music Concert in Lewes—Friday, June 7th 12noon

Year 6 production—Thursday, July 5th (after school)

Residential at Bowles—Wednesday 17th to Friday 19th July

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The Sussex Downs

**Oak Class Year 6**  
**Mrs Force**