



Year 2 Newsletter

Spring 2—2025/2026



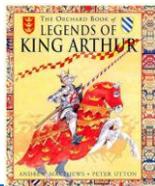
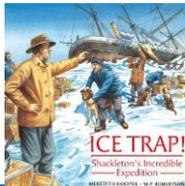
Notices and Reminders

Remember to bring in the following daily please:

- Water bottle
- Reading book and diary

Reading

This half term, the children will finish reading 'Ice Trap', where they have been learning about the expedition of Sir Ernest Shackleton, which has really brought the geography topic of Antarctica to life! After that, they will begin delving into The Legends of King Arthur and learning the stories of his trials and tribulations.



Key dates

Mon 23rd Feb – school trip to Gilbert White

Thurs 5th March - World Book Day

Fri 6th March - Friends School

Tues 10th March - author visit

Weds 11th March - Perform drama workshop

Fri 13th March - Fancy Dress Friday (Easter tombola donations)

Fri 13th March - Friends Mother's Day Gifting

Fri 20th March - Red Nose Day

Fri 20th March 3.15pm - Easter cake sale

Weds 25th March - class photographs

Fri 27th March - end of term, finish at 1.15pm

30th March to 10th April - EASTER HOLIDAYS

Monday 13th April - Back to school

Writing

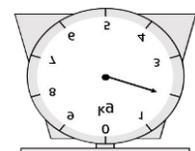
Throughout this half term in English language lessons, the children will be learning about a range of conjunctions they can use to extend their writing. They will also be learning about expanded noun phrases to improve their descriptive writing.



The children will plan and write a 'rags to riches tale' about Pirate Tom. Pirate Tom will go on an exciting adventure in search of treasure, but will Pirate Tom succeed?

Maths

This half term, the children will first be focussing on multiplication and division (2, 5, and 10). They will then be exploring the heights and lengths of different objects in metres and centimetres, as well as comparing volume and capacity, measuring in grams, kilograms, millilitres, and litres.



Science

In science, the children will be learning about materials and their properties, exploring their suitability for different objects. They will discover the difference between opaque and translucent materials and answer the Big Question: *Which colour is the least translucent?* by conducting a fair test.



Geography

In geography, the children will be continuing their Antarctica topic. They will be learning who has explored Antarctica and finish the topic by completing a fieldwork enquiry on how the climate of our local area is similar or different to the climate in Antarctica.



RE

In RE, the children will be learning about light as a symbol. They will study the meaning and use of light across multiple religions including Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Hinduism. In doing this, they will work to answer the question; 'Why is light an important religious symbol?'



PE

This term, the children will be learning the basics of tennis. They will practise striking the ball, using simple forehand and backhand shots, and work with a partner to keep a rally going. They will explore how to move into a space, aim their shots, and play cooperatively.



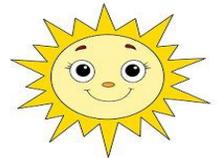
Music

This half term in music, the children will explore pulse, rhythm and pitch through listening, singing, playing and composing. They will keep a steady beat and recognise different rhythms and pitch. They will listen to a range of styles from soul to rock and pop, and build their confidence as performers, finishing with a mini classroom performance.



PSHE

This half term in PSHE, the children will learn about what helps them to stay safe. They will identify what helps them to stay safe at school and outside, including on roads. They will explore what risks exist in different places, what signs help to keep them safe and how they can be safe in the sun.



Homework

Encourage your child to enjoy **five reading sessions** each week — regular reading builds confidence and a love of books. Spend around **10 minutes a week practising times tables on Times Tables Rock Stars** — a fun way to boost number confidence. Support your child to complete **at least one activity** each half term from the green, Home Learning Book — a great chance to be creative and share learning together.

Suggested books for reading

Nellie Choc-Ice Penguin Emperor by Jeremy Strong, Investigators by John Patrick Green and Meet the Microbes by Dr Emily Crossman.

