

Maths: Our focus this term will be -
Yr 1: Money - Recognising the value of different coins and notes and counting money using our knowledge of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. -
Fractions - Recognising halves and quarters and finding half of and a quarter of a quantity.
Yr 2: Measuring length/height, interpreting data, exploring money (including simple addition and subtraction problems) and finding and recognising fractions of a whole.

R.E.: Our big question is – *How do we know some people feel a special connection to God?*
We will look at religious stories from four world views - Christian, Muslim, Hindu and Sikh. We will explore why people such as Jesus, Guru Nanak, Krishna and Mohammed are considered special by some, and understand the significance of miracles in these stories.

PSHE/RSE: Our focus this term is '*Being My Best*'. We will be exploring how we can develop a positive attitude to learning, naming the main internal body parts and discussing healthy choices that keep our bodies fit and healthy, including handwashing and care of our teeth. Finally, we will look at basic first aid skills (see link to first aid skills clips below).

Useful Learning Links:
<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk>
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk>
<https://ttrockstars.com>
<https://firstaidchampions.redcross.org.uk/en/primary/first-aid-skills/>

Oak, Chestnut and Maple Class

Term 5 2025 - 2026



This term our topic is
Let's Create!



Music: We will learn how beats can be grouped into patterns of 2 and 3 by listening and moving to a polka and waltz by Dimitri Shostakovich. We will use body percussion to create our own patterns and identify these groupings in familiar songs. Later, we will explore, pitch, duration and dynamics as we create music to accompany a short film featuring Charlie Chaplin.

Our composer this term is **George Gershwin**.

History: *What is a monarch?* We will explore the role of a monarch, find out about the coronation ceremony and learn about our monarch, King Charles III. We will also learn about William the Conqueror and investigate how castles have changed over time.

Art: This term we will be learning how artists use their creativity to re-see, re-invent or re-imagine the world around them. We will be exploring how everyday materials can be used in art and learn about the Guatemalan tradition of making worry people. We will then design and make our own worry people using sticks and other materials.

English: We will be reading *The Incredible Book Eating Boy* by Oliver Jeffers. We will use the book to explore how to use persuasive language and write letters to Henry to persuade him to stop eating books! Our second text will be *Ravi's Roar* by Tom Percival. We will focus on using adjectives to describe a character and using powerful verbs and expanded noun phrases in our writing for effect. We will finish the unit by writing our own stories using 'Ravi's Roar' for inspiration.

Science: Our focus is on every day materials. We will be looking at a variety of real-world uses of common materials such as plastics, metal, glass and fabrics. We will look at their different uses and properties, as well as how we can help the environment through recycling and the use of sustainable materials.

IT: This term we will be creating digital music using the song maker tool on Chrome Music Lab. We will listen to a variety of pieces of music and consider how music can make us think and feel. Using the movement and sounds of an animal as inspiration, we will explore rhythm patterns, pitch and finally compose our own digital piece.

PE: Our unit this term is – '*Hit Catch Run*' We will be developing our hitting skills with a variety of bats, practising feeding/bowling skills and scoring points in hit and run games.