

Year: 2021 Term: Autumn

Oughton Primary and Nursery School

Your child's next creative theme will be:

Explorers!



Our Creative Theme: Explorers!

To start our theme we will identify, locate and make comparisons between the continents, focussing in particular on Antarctica. Having learnt about the landscape and the wildlife that lives there, we will find out about what it was like for the first people who journeyed to the South Pole. With the artists Ted Harrison and Antoni Gaudi to inspire our work, we will be developing our artistic skills to produce landscapes and paintings of animals that live there. Our History focus will be on Florence Nightingale and the difference she made to soldiers' lives when she travelled to the Crimea as a nurse.

In Science this term we will be looking at Animals Including Humans and the Uses of Everyday Materials

During this term we will also cover the Jigsaw themes Being Me In My World and Celebrating Differences.

Important dates:

Monday 18th October – Individual Photos 20th and 21st October – Parent consultations Thurs 21st Oct Antarctic Explorer Wow day Friday 22nd October – Inset Day Monday 25th October – Half term

November – Phonics Screening Check **Monday 1**st **November** – Back to School

Wednesday 8th December 9am - KS1 Christmas Production to Year 1 Parents and School Christmas Dinner

Thursday 9th December 2pm KS1 Christmas Production

Tuesday 14th December—3.15pm Christmas Tree Festival

Wednesday 15th December—Pantomime Trip **Friday 17th December**—Last Day of term

At Oughton, we are focussing on raising attainment in Reading, Writing and Maths.

Maths: In Maths, we will be looking at many areas including counting, representing numbers in different ways, place value, number order and comparison alongside addition and subtraction. We will develop calculation skills and use these to solve problems in every day contexts. There will also be opportunities to investigate the different measures, including money, linked to our topic and science work.

English: In English, we will be reading and writing traditional tales, creating poetry linked to our theme and writing historical recounts. This will be in conjunction with daily spelling and phonics activities, guided reading and one-to-one reading. There will be a focus on phonics teaching this term as the children will complete the statutory Phonics Screening Test in November which is normally taken in the June of Year One..

Ways to help your children:

English: Please hear your child read every evening Encourage them to discuss the story and question them about the characters, plot, setting and even the meaning of tricky words. The children will receive reading challenges to complete at home. Please encourage your child to complete these as they help the children develop the reading skills that they are being taught in class.

<u>Maths:</u> We will be learning the 2x and 10x table this term. If you can give them a quick test, we would be really grateful!

Home Learning: Your child will have home learning tasks set every fortnight on Teams via assignments. They can submit their tasks on Teams, upload a photo of their work or bring the finished product into school.

PE: PE is on a Monday and a Thursday. Your child needs to have named black shorts and a white t-shirt as well as suitable shoes such as trainers kept in school. Please remove earrings before school.