

KSI: Fir and Oak – Weekly Newsletter



Fir Class (Mrs Lewis and Miss Brownley)

Oak Class (Mrs Morrell)

Supporting Adults: Mrs Gilbert, Miss Dunthorne, Mrs Atkinson

Date: Friday 19th September 2025

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday for our Meet and Greet session. If you cannot attend, please don't worry, we've included the information we intend to use in the meeting on the website.

Check out our class pages for more information



In English:

- Jack and the Beanstalk in Talk for Writing (our second week)
- Explored how we could change main characters, setting and monsters
- Added adverbs and drop-in clauses to sentences for detail (some with punctuation).

In Topic:

- Science – Studied what Human's need to survive.
- Creative Arts – Really enjoyed Dot day, inspired by the book: The Dot by Peter Reynolds and we made our own marks inspired by Kandinsky's Concentric circles.
- Computing – Signing on, using their keyboard and mouse skills, A new skill for those with l pads and touch screens!
- RE – Learned about how Christians believed the earth was created in the hands of God (Creation, Genesis 1).
- PE – Attacking and defending in invasion games (indoor), and striking and fielding practice (outdoor).
- Music – We decoded musical instructions in songs.

In Maths: Place Value

Year 1 –

We have focused on...

- Counting backwards and forwards within ten
- Looking at 1 more and 1 less

Year 2 –

We have focused on...

- Partitioning numbers to 100
- Writing numbers to 100 in words.
- Flexibly partitioning numbers to 100
- Writing numbers to 100 in expanded form.

Each Friday we have 'Fluency Friday' where we consolidate our learning from the week.

Homework:

We have noticed since beginning our computing lessons, the difficulties faced now we have moved to an age of 'touch screens' rather than keyboards. It is an important skill and part of our computing curriculum, that the children are able to touch type. This week for homework, we would like the children to practice typing their full name (first name, surname) on a Qwerty keyboard (whether this be a physical keyboard or on a touch screen device). Just being able to locate the letters can be an important step! If you do not have access to a Qwerty keyboard, we've included a pdf version with the newsletter. If your child would like to go Beyond Expectation, they may even wish to extend this and discover how to create a capital letter for their name.

Important Messages/Dates::

Specific KSI messages and dates will be listed when required, for your information.

- Phonics books are returned and changed on Fridays
- Please label any items your child brings into school with their name.
- Meet and Greet Weds 24th September after school until 4:30pm, info shared on class pages.

