

KSI: Fir and Oak – Weekly Newsletter



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Date: Friday 24th October 2025

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents' Evening. It was lovely to see you all and to have the opportunity to talk about your child's achievements this half term.

We really value your support and partnership, and it was a pleasure to share the progress and successes your child has made. We're proud of the hard work and effort they've shown, and we look forward to continuing this journey together next half term.

In English:

- In English, we recently finished our Talk for Writing unit on Discussion texts. The children explored a range of for and against arguments on topics such as "Should children wear school uniforms?" and "Should schools open on Saturdays?" They worked hard to understand both sides of an argument and finished the unit by independently writing their own discussion questions, along with balanced arguments for and against.

In Topic:

- Science –
- Creative Arts – We finished our topic of Colours and looking at a variety of Artists, using our skills to produce our own still life pictures. The children really enjoyed this project and have produced some lovely pieces of work.
- Computing – We have continued looking at coding in purple mash. Thank you for the support of using the keyboards, we are almost there and this has supported the children to be able to lo on independently!!
- RE – this week, we also completed our RE topic on Creation. The children reflected on what they have learnt about the Christian belief that God created the world, and how this inspires Christians to take responsibility for looking after the environment. Each child produced a thoughtful piece of work showing how this message can be lived out in everyday life.
- PE – invasion games (indoor) and striking and fielding (outdoor). Building on teamwork and sportsmanship.
- Music – Exercise Rhythms, acting out our dances to the songs we have learned.

In Maths: Addition and Subtraction

Year 1 – We have continued looking at Addition and Subtraction and how we can use the part whole model to problem solve.

Year 2 – Maths:

Add to the next 10, add across a 10, subtract across a 10, subtract from a 10 – Fun Fluency Friday to consolidate these steps.

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Important Messages/Dates::

- **INSET DAY: November 3rd**
- . Please do not hesitate to find us if you have any questions or concerns, we are always around at the end of the day.
- Phonics books – some groups are now moving on to chapter books. These may seem challenging, but they cover all the sounds that we have been learning about so far in phonics. We've spoken to the children about this being an exciting part of our reading development, and to read chunks at home rather than the whole book! With this in mind, **we will change these chapter books every two weeks**. The children are aware of this too 😊.

Thank you again for your continued support. We hope you have a lovely half term and enjoy a well-deserved break!