

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 6th March 2026

We have had another busy week, full of learning. It was lovely to see you all at Parents' Evening and to share your children's successes with you. The children spoke about how proud they felt sharing their work with you. They also had a fantastic time at our drama workshop, "The Midnight Toy Adventure", with Miss Tuppence. The children thoroughly enjoyed acting out scenes about visiting the toy shop and transforming into magical toys!

In English:

In Talk for Writing, we have begun looking at an information text all about dragons. We explored what we already know about dragons: what they look like, where they live and what they do. It certainly engaged their imagination! We also recapped last week's grammar learning, focusing on capital letters, full stops and conjunctions. The children worked hard to enhance their writing by using some fantastic vocabulary and adjectives to make their descriptions even more exciting.

In Topic:

Science – We have continued with our topic on plants. This week, we have been learning about germination and investigating what seeds need in order to grow. The children were very surprised to discover that some seeds were able to germinate in the dark!

They made thoughtful predictions about what might happen and discussed what they think will happen as the plants continue to grow over time.

Creative Arts -This term, our DT topic is *Levers and Sliders*. Over the next few weeks, we will be exploring how these mechanisms work and designing and making our own moving pictures. This week, we have been looking at how levers work and made our own seagulls flying over a beach scene.

Computing – We have been looking at coding and making our own music.

RE – This term, we will be learning about the Easter story and the concept of salvation. This week, we have been thinking about Palm Sunday and why it is important to Christians.

Music – We are exploring the beats we hear in music by listening carefully and tapping them out.

Geography: We have been continuing looking at Whitby and Tourism.

In Maths: Addition and Subtraction

Year 1 – Place Value within 50

This week we looked at partitioning into tens and ones and the number line to 50

Year 2 – Length and Height

We started our new maths topic by looking at centimetres and metres, discussing which unit would be best to use when measuring different objects. The children have begun to use mathematical language to compare measurements, using words such as longer, shorter, taller and smaller.

Important Messages/Dates::

Year 2 Beaumanor parent meeting Tuesday 10th March at 5pm

World Book Day Thursday 5th

Secondhand book sale Friday 6th

Someone special pop-up shop Friday 13th March

FIR CLASS

On Monday for Science, please could each child bring in a pair of socks and a washing line peg. The activity is designed to get children thinking about the grip and strength of pegs made with different materials and using different mechanisms. Thank you



Phonics

The Year One children are doing a fantastic job in Phonics and are really enjoying using their newly found knowledge in both their reading and writing. It is wonderful to see their confidence growing each week.

To continue supporting your child at home, please could you take some time to look at the Year 1 tricky words on our website and practise these regularly.

Thank you for your continued support with reading at home. The children are all very motivated and are enjoying working towards earning their bookmarks.

Can we please also signpost you to the spelling folder on class pages it has some useful information and word lists to support your child's spelling.

New topics Maths homework books have been put into the folder on our website.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.