KS1: Fir and Oak – Weekly Newsletter

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We have had another busy and enjoyable week in school! The children have worked incredibly hard and have produced some lovely pieces of work that they should be very proud of.

One of the highlights of our week was our Partake History morning, where we explored toys from the past and present. The children were fascinated to discover how toys have changed over time and, in particular, how some toys can work without batteries!

The pull-along toys were a firm favourite, and the children enjoyed talking about their own experiences and the toys they love at home. They shared lots of ideas about their favourite building toys, soft toys and other special toys.

It was lovely to see the children so engaged, curious and excited to share their knowledge and experiences with one another.

In English:

This week in English, we have been focusing on grammar and sentence structure. The children have been learning what makes a good sentence and exploring different ways to improve and develop their writing.

We have been thinking carefully about the words we choose, how we structure our sentences and how we can add more detail to make our writing even more interesting.

Topics:

Science: This week, we have started our new topic, Investigating Materials. We have been exploring different natural materials and thinking about where they come from and what they can be used for.

The children have enjoyed investigating and discussing the different properties of materials and considering why particular materials are suitable for different purposes

Computing: We are still practicing logging on and painting pictures.

RE: We have been looking at "Peace" and the people who help us when we are worried

Music: This week we have been singing, the children really enjoy sharing their favourite songs.

History: We have continued with our topic on Childhood in the 1950s, and our Partake History morning allowed us to play with toys from this era.

Art: We have been looking at the colour wheel and making secondary colours from the primary colurs

In Maths:

Year 1 – Place value within 10

We have been looking at comparing groups this week, using the language of greater, fewer, greater than, less than and equal.

Year 2 – Place Value

We have been placing 10s and 1s numbers on the number line (to 100), estimating where numbers fit on the number line and comparing objects (using greater than, fewer than and equal to, and their accompanying symbols)

Important Messages/Dates:

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Following on from our Show and Tell, the children have been very excited to share their experiences of pumpkin picking! They have loved talking about their adventures and listening to their friends' stories.

If you have any photos from pumpkin picking that you would be happy to share, we would love to see them. The few photos that have already been shared, including some of the children as babies sitting in pumpkins, have been a real hit and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone!

We have put the White Rose Maths Homework book on the website. These will be put on for each topic.

A polite reminder to please inform either the class teacher or the school office if your child is going to be collected by a different adult. Fir class have started Wilford's diary and the next person to take it home is Verity (to be returned Friday 2nd Oct). Thank you for your cooperation.

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