

Orange Class Curriculum Letter

Autumn 2023

Last term, we enjoyed...

learning about different animals and how we can help look after our planet. We also enjoyed discovering what it is like in the rainforest and learning about some of the people who live there. We enjoyed our maths games and learning to count even bigger numbers. We were also excited to visit Orange Class and meet our new teachers.

This term, we are looking forward to...

doing more learning outside and in the wildlife area. We are looking forward to visiting local parks to see how they change in different seasons. We are also excited to visit the railway station and learn more about how the school and local area have changed over time. We might even get to go on a train! We have asked for plenty of time to learn and explore through play and we love our new area outside the classroom.

Key Vocabulary

Talking to your child as much as possible will really support the learning and development. Even just describing what you are doing as you go about your day will help to build their vocabulary. Here are some of the words we will introduce through our learning this term:

 Manmade, natural, feature, primary colours, warm tones, cool tones, stippling, transport, passenger, engineer, invention, weather, summer, autumn, winter, spring

Home Learning Ideas

Our learning this term will explore how transport has changed over time. To help support your child's learning at home, you might want to look at old pictures of how people travelled in the past. You might also like to try different forms of transport for trips out, such as catching the bus, taking the train, cycling or visiting the canal. You could practise drawing trains or cars with your child at home or outside. We will also learn how the world changes with the seasons. You could pick a local tree to visit regularly and watch how it changes through autumn and into the winter or talk about the weather and how the types of clothes we wear change through the year.

Maths at Home

Playing simple board games together, counting out up to 10 objects (e.g. toys, cars or food) and building with different shapes (e.g. wooden blocks, Lego) or talking about the shapes you see around you will support your child's learning in mathematics.

Reading at Home

Please read with your child as often as possible. This may be listening to them read or reading a story to them. We will read with your child regularly in school and make sure they have books that they can read at home that match their current reading level. We will also send home a book for you to enjoy reading to your child each week.

Important Days and Dates

- Local area walks and visit to the train station (date TBC).
- Outdoor learning morning each Tuesday.
- PE morning each Wednesday.

Please note that children do not need a separate PE kit or uniform on these days, but please make sure that they are wearing suitable footwear (trainers) and have appropriate clothing for the weather (e.g. sunhat, waterproof coat, gloves, etc.).