

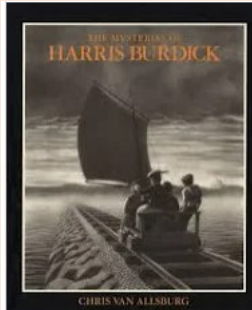
Summer Term 2—Oak Class News—2023/24

Welcome Back

Welcome back to our last term at Cottingham. I hope you have all had a lovely and restful half term. I cannot believe we are entering the last term of this academic year. This year has absolutely flown by! We have yet another packed term (as usual) to look forward to with lots of learning, end of year assessments and being part of the end of year production of Aladdin! Any questions or queries then please don't hesitate to catch me on the door or alternately send me an email.

Love 2 Read

The children in Oak class and myself have thoroughly enjoyed reading the Witches by Roald Dahl. This term we will be reading *The Mysteries of Harris Burdick* by Chris Van Allsburg.



Every 2 weeks a child will have the opportunity to bring in their favourite book to share with the class! I have enjoyed reading the children's book reviews on the different books they borrow from the school and classroom library. It's great to see a love of reading flourishing through Oak class!

Expectations

This term we will be continuing to focus on implementing the schools expectations straight away and ensure children are following the rules throughout the school. We will be setting high standards of showing respect to everyone around the school.

In Oak class, the children will need to be provided with a snack for break time. Please ensure this is **only a healthy snack (fruit or veg)**.

Homework

Homework expectations are that children **must** spend **at least** 15 minutes a week on TTRS practicing their timestable recall.

Children will also be set weekly spelling homework on the spelling shed website. This is set every Friday and to be completed by the following Thursday.

It is also important to make sure children are reading regularly at home. Please note, we will be checking to ensure that children are completing the homework as this is a valued addition to their education. Staff will be contacting parents if the homework expectations are not being met.

Spellings

Spellings lists for year 3 and 4 are available on the Microsoft Teams site and are also sent via parent mail. Please ensure children are practicing every week.

QUEST

This term our Quest topic will be about a local history study, we will be looking at shoes and how Northamptonshire played a part in the making of shoes. We will be looking at how shoes have changed and developed through different eras in history.

PE days

PE this year will take place on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in Oak class and will be taught by Mrs Smith and Miss Hurn. Please make sure no jewelry is worn for PE lessons and all long hair is tied up.

Collective Worship

Our value for the term in Collective Worship will be **Trust and Community**.

Collective worship will take place this year on a Monday and a Wednesday, with our celebration worship taking place on a Friday as always. We would love to have parents come along so please do! We will also have class worship on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Details of our Collective Worship can be found at [Collective Worship - Cottingham Primary](#).

Homework ideas

As a school we set minimal homework, but the expectation is that it is completed every week. In addition to TTRS, Spelling Shed spelling practice and reading expectations, it would be beneficial for children to continue to spend time researching all about our Quest topic for the this term—

Your child could investigate the following:

- How have shoes changed throughout history?
- Why is Northamptonshire famous for shoemaking?

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Fridge Dates

Tuesday 18th June– Big sing rehearsal

Wednesday 19th June– Sports day

Wednesday 26th June– Year 4 Big sing

Monday 1st July-Friday 5th July– Assessment week

Monday 15th July-Aladdin dress rehearsal

Tuesday 16th July– Aladdin performance (morning and evening)

Wednesday 17th July- Aladdin performance (morning and evening)

Tuesday 23rd July– Break up for summer