9TH October 2023

OPAL CLASS

Dear Opal Families

It was such a lovely **Harvest Celebration** this year! Thank you to all parents/carers for coming along and tasting the scrumptious soup – rave reviews! The children displayed such pride showing you around their classroom and it was exciting to hear the children reciting "Going on a bear hunt" and telling you the story using the props and provocations in the classroom. **Every Child, Every Day - a Reader!**

We have a busy week ahead please read on!!

Farm Visit

Tuesday 10th October

Please remember that children need to **wear casual, comfortable clothes** that can get dirty –there will be mud. Miss Ponsford and myself visited the farm last week in preparation for the visit and returned with mud on our shoes!! The trip is going to be amazing. The 'Edmonds' have planned a busy day which involves meeting all the animals (pigs, big and small, cows, sheep, chickens and horses) pond dipping and tractor trailer rides. If the children are bringing their own packed lunch, please make sure they have extra food for the journey they are going to be hungry! The children will need the following items for the farm visit:

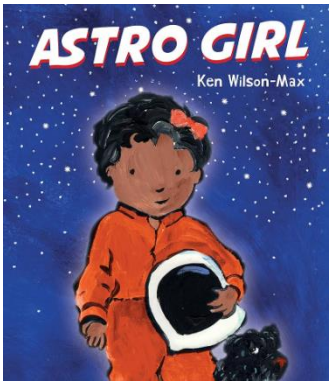
- Their own bag (spare clothes if necessary) to carry lunch etc
- Drinks bottle (water only please)
- Wellie boots and a spare change of shoes/socks
- Coat
- Hat (please apply sun tan cream beforehand if warm)
- Lunch and snack (if not having school packed lunch)

Thank you everyone! If you have any questions about the trip please catch me Monday morning. Our first trip –how exciting!

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP TO OUR PARENT PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS (11TH & 12TH October)

This week's key reminders:

- **PE - Friday** (Children come to school already dressed in their PE kits ready for the morning thank you)
- **Opal and Jade class school trip to the Farm – Tuesday 10th October**
- **Hello Yellow World Mental Health Day Tuesday 10th October**
- **Parent Partnership Meetings (Parent Evening) 11th and 12th October**



Black History Month

We are celebrating Black History month in school which links to **article 2 'No Discrimination'** from the Children's Convention of Rights, as we are a Rights Respecting School. In order to do this in Opal Class we will be reading Astro Girl next week.

World Mental Health Day

Please note as we will be on the farm for **World Mental Health Day** we plan to celebrate this on the **Wednesday 11th October**. Please can children come to school dressed in comfy clothes (yellow if possible). We plan to have our skip-a-thon together with Jade class in the afternoon.

Homework Folders

The children are so proud of their homework and love getting it all stamped. However, we have noticed a few going missing and replaced some already. Please would everyone mind making sure that all homework folders are left in book bags and returned to school. Thank you!

High Frequency Words

Please note we are going to start learning our common exception words (high frequency words) in school. These are words that cannot be easily blended e.g. sounded out like the word c-a-t phonetically. These words pop up everywhere and need to be learnt by learning them by sight. There is no expectation of test at the end of the week and I really stress that parents support their children at home by making the learning fun and playful. The link below has lots of fantastic fun ideas you can pinch at home to help your children learn these words at home.

https://phonicsfamilycom.wordpress.com/ **Phonics Family**

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Read Write Inc

The letters we aim to learn this week include: u b f

Watch these great film clips of Fred and Elly learning RWInc. Go to the following links on the Ruth Miskin Read Write Inc site online:

For the sound u: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/3RpaB9wk/wNt2P1wB

For the sound b: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/WSP8excs/ZUySEZRz

For the sound f: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/t7I8Aeck/GsxVu5gs

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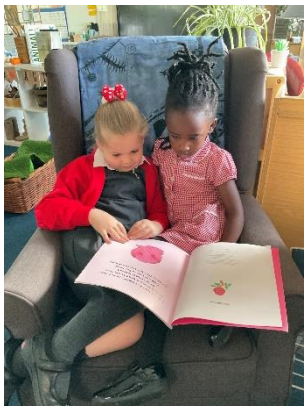

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Any queries any time please ask!!

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