

The Oak Oracle

First of all, thank you for all of your support over this term and year. It has been very much appreciated. Your encouragement, kindness and continued partnership have made a real difference and I am grateful for everything you have done to support the class.

One of the highlights of the term has been the amazing production of *Alice in Wonderland*. The children were clever, funny, motivated and wonderful throughout. Their confidence, teamwork and enthusiasm shone through. It was honestly a joy to see so many talents on display. Thank you to everyone who helped to make the production such a success.

In maths, the focus has been on multiplication and division. Year 6 children have increased their independence in their work and are becoming more confident in tackling challenges with less support. Year 5 children have been dividing with remainders and developing their problem-solving skills. Across the class, all children have been finding links with factors, multiples and related number facts.

In English, we have used the poem *Night Mail* to inspire our own marvellous poems based on the theme *This is an email*. Some of these have included rhyme and the children have shown real creativity in their writing. We then explored the fascinating adventures of Philippe Petit and wrote biographies about his extraordinary life. The children worked hard to organise their ideas carefully

and to write with increasing detail and accuracy.

Geography has taken us around the world as we explored different biomes. The children have completed lots of reading, fact-finding and research, as well as looking closely at climate graphs and examining key facts. They have developed a much better understanding of how environments differ and what conditions shape life in each biome.

In RE, we have been learning about Genesis 1 and comparing it to science. The children have been thoughtful in identifying areas of overlap in beliefs and have shown maturity in discussing different viewpoints with respect and curiosity.

