



Oaks Class Newsletter – Welcome Back After Half Term!

We have returned from the half-term break feeling **ready, refreshed, and enthusiastic** for the exciting weeks leading up to Easter. The children have settled back brilliantly and are already diving into new learning with great energy!



Geography – *Frozen Kingdoms*

Our new project, **Frozen Kingdoms**, has begun! We are learning all about the **polar regions**, exploring their unique climates, wildlife, and the challenges of living in such extreme environments. The class has already shown fantastic curiosity—lots of great questions and discussions!



English – Diary Writing Inspired by Captain Scott

In English, we have begun a new writing focus on **diary entries**. We are using **Captain Scott's Antarctic Expedition** as inspiration, imagining what it must have felt like to travel through freezing landscapes, face danger, and show incredible determination. The children are really embracing the opportunity to write in role and bring history to life.



Guided Reading – *The Secret Garden*

Our new guided reading text is the classic ***The Secret Garden***. The class is already captivated by the mysterious atmosphere and rich descriptive language. We're exploring themes of friendship, change, and nature—perfect for this time of year.



P.E – Tennis & Football

This half term, our P.E sessions will focus on:

- **Tennis** – working on coordination, control, and rallying
- **Football** – developing ball skills, teamwork, and tactical thinking

Please make sure children have appropriate outdoor kit, especially while the weather is still unpredictable!

D.T – Sewing Skills

In D.T, we've begun practising **sewing skills**—and a huge thank you goes to **Isla's Granny** for her help and expertise!

The children have loved learning new techniques and are taking great pride in their work.

Archbishops' Young Leaders Award

We are continuing to build on our **leadership skills** as part of the **Archbishops' Young Leaders Award**. The class is showing thoughtful ideas about how they can help others, work as a team, and make a positive difference. We have seen some lovely work and ideas from some of you towards our first challenge building on your leadership skills! If you haven't bought them in already, try to remember for next week so we can add them to your record book.

Special Visitors – Oliver & Claire

We were delighted to welcome back **Oliver and Claire**, who we first met at the **Larmer Tree Pageant** last year.

Their visit was full of creativity and inspiration, and the children were thrilled to hear that we'll be **working with them again this summer**. Lots to look forward to!

Looking Ahead

We're hoping the sunshine continues and that we have seen the **last of the rain** for a while—fingers crossed!

Thank you for your continued support.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

From Mrs Bolar, Mrs Salisbury and Millie the dog.
