

Year 2 Autumn Term 1 2026 – Oakley Under Investigation

This half term we will:

English We will enjoy exploring 'Traction Man' and 'A River' and investigate their features, focusing on sentence structure and the use of 'and'. We will practise handwriting and revise the Year 1 common exception word spellings. We will focus on reading fluently, drawing on our phonic knowledge.	Maths We will compare and order numbers to 20 and partition numbers to 30 into tens and ones. They will use practical apparatus to support addition and subtraction and develop their problem-solving skills. In measurement, children will compare and estimate length, capacity and mass.	Science We will observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. We will find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy 	PE To work with a partner to compose, refine and perform a gymnastic sequence on apparatus, providing constructive feedback and carefully linking movements smoothly by considering speed, transitions and levels. 
RE We will investigate the role of water in both Christian and Sikh naming ceremonies and meet members of the local Christian and Sikh communities. We will explore harvest traditions from our country and around the world. 	Music We will identify a pulse in music and understand the difference between pulse and rhythm. We will recognise, play and compose simple rhythm patterns and perform a four-beat rhythm.	Art We will look at portraits, exploring the work of different artists and choosing appropriate colours to create our own self-portraits. 	Computing We will learn how to use the internet safely and respectfully, to keep personal information private and where to go for help if we feel uncomfortable about something we have seen online. We will also be creating group presentations to show what we have learnt about the history of Oakley.  
PSHE We will learn to explain the impact of behaviour on others and discuss our choices and possible consequences. We will continue to learn about our rights and create a class charter to follow throughout the year.  	History and Geography We will explore our locality, investigating Oakley now and in the past. See Knowledge Organisers for more information. 	Events Information evening – Thursday 17th September Friends AGM- Wednesday 23rd September Parent consultations - Tuesday 20th October - Thursday 22nd October INSET day - Friday 23rd October 	PE – Mondays and Wednesday Library – Monday Talking Homework – Monday Grammar Overview- Monday Mathletics – Friday Spellings- Friday