



**St Richard's CE Primary School**  
**Autumn Term 2025 – Second half**



**Year 2 Oak Class - November 2025**

Dear Oak Class Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely and restful half-term break. The children have come back full of energy and enthusiasm, and it's wonderful to see how much progress they've already made since the start of Year 2. This half term promises to be a busy and exciting one, with lots of new learning, creative projects, and festive activities to look forward to as we head towards the end of the year.

Miss Cessford 😊

**Dates for your diary:**

**NOVEMBER**

**W/C 10<sup>th</sup>** – Anti- Bullying week

**10<sup>th</sup>** – Odd Sock Day

**11<sup>th</sup>** – Remembrance Day

Flu immunisations

**Learning conversations 3:45-5:45**

**12<sup>th</sup>** – Trip to SEA LIFE London Aquarium

**13<sup>th</sup>** – **Learning conversations 3:45-7:00**

**14<sup>th</sup>** – Braiswick Individual photographs

**W/C 17<sup>th</sup>** – Safety week

**24<sup>th</sup>** – Last week of clubs and swimming

**DECEMBER**

**1<sup>st</sup>** – Nativity costumes due in school

**5<sup>th</sup>** – Final Rejoice

**12<sup>th</sup>** – EYFS and KS1 Nativity Performance (9:30am)

Christmas Fair (3:30pm-5:00)

**17<sup>th</sup>** – Trip to Beauty and the Beast Panto

(Twickenham)

**18<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas jumper day & Christmas lunch

Class parties

**19<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Service in church (9:10am)

End of term 2:00pm finish

**What we are learning about this half term:**

**English:** We are reading the books 'House Held Up By Trees' by Ted Kooser and 'The Journey Home' by Frann Preston-Gannon

**Phonics:** Phase 6 spelling rules

**Maths:** Calculating within 20, adding and subtracting ones and tens to and from 2-digit numbers, grouping objects in different ways and relating to multiplication

**RE:** What can we learn from the story of Noah? What does the 'Light of the World' mean for Christians?

**Topics:**

**Science:** Living things and their habitats

**History / Geography:** Magical Mapping

**Computing:** Online safety

**Music:** Instruments – Musical Storytelling

**Art:** Drawing – Exploring tone and texture

**PE:** Throwing techniques and catching

**Class Trips and Visitors in School:**

SEA LIFE London Aquarium – **12<sup>th</sup> November**

Beauty and the Beast Panto at Twickenham Exchange – **17<sup>th</sup> December**



### Information specific to our class:

Children should bring a water bottle (water only no juice or squash), a book bag/backpack, and wear the correct school uniform. If your child would like to go on the field, they will need a spare pair of shoes.

Fruit is provided for all KS1 children at morning play. If you choose to send an additional snack, please ensure it is a healthy option.

With the weather getting colder, please ensure your child is dressed appropriately with a winter coat, scarf, hat, gloves etc.

### Parent/adult helpers:

Throughout the year, I will be asking for volunteers to help with various school trips. Your support is always greatly appreciated.

If you're available, we would also be very grateful for a parent helper to assist with swimming, particularly with helping the children get changed. Swimming takes place on Tuesdays from 10:45-11:45. Please note that you must have a current DBS.

Let me know if you're able to help – thank you!

### Summary:

**Tuesday:** Swimming (10:45-11:45)

**Thursday:** Home Learning Books due back

**Friday:** P.E

Library book change

New Home Learning sent home

### Staff in class:

Miss Cessford

Mrs Marcus (Everyday AM)

Mr D and Miss Purdue (Friday PM)

### Nativity

The festive season will soon be upon us and we will be starting to practise for our Nativity production. This year, Year 2, Year 1, Reception and Nursery will perform the Infants Nativity on the **12<sup>th</sup> December**. If your child has any lines, please help them practise these at home. More information about the Nativity will come in a couple weeks.

Your child's Nativity costume will need to be in school by the **1<sup>st</sup> December**.

### Homework

Home learning is sent out weekly on a **Friday** and due in the following **Thursday**. Home learning helps children consolidate the learning they have been practising at school that week. Please help support your child's learning at home by completing the activities that are set.

At the beginning of each half term a sheet will be stuck in your child's homework book with suggested activities to do at home that link to our half termly topic. These are to be completed in your own time over the course of the half term. You can choose to do one or all of them!

