



St Richard's CE Primary School

Spring Term 2026 – First half



Year 2 Oak Class – January 2026

Dear Oak Class Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to the spring term! We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Christmas break. The children have settled back into school routines beautifully, and we have been so proud of the effort and enthusiasm they have shown already.

We have a busy and exciting half term ahead, with lots of fun learning opportunities to look forward to. Please take the time to read the newsletter carefully and make a note of the key dates in your diary. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to a member of the Year 2 team.

Miss Cessford 😊

Dates for your diary:

JANUARY

22nd – Y1/Y2 trip to Wetlands Centre TBC

29th – Y4 Class Assembly

FEBRUARY

4th – Languages Day

6th – Number Day

10th – Safer Internet Day

12th – Y3 Class Assembly

13th – PTFA Valentines Cake Sale

MARCH

5th – World Book Day

6th – World Book Day Dress Up

10th and 12th – Learning Conversations

13th – Y2 Cricket Taster Session

W/C 15th – Neurodiversity Week

17th – Last swimming session

18th – Y2 trip to Tower of London

20th – Last rejoice of the term

25th – Easter Bonnet Parade

27th – Y3 Easter Service in St Richard's Church

End of term 2pm

What we are learning about this half term:

English: We are reading the books 'The Dragon Machine' by Helen Ward and a non-fictional style book called 'Dragonology' by Dugald Steer

Phonics: Phase 6 spelling rules

Maths: Adding and subtracting ones and tens to and from 2-digit numbers, multiplication, counting in 2s 5s and 10s

RE: What does it mean to be a Muslim?

Topics:

Science: Introduction to food chains

Geography: Cold Places

Computing: Word processing

Music: Contrasting dynamics

Art: Sculpture and 3D: Clay houses

PE: Simple invasion games

Class Trips and Visitors in School:

Wetlands Centre – **January 22nd 2026** – TBC

Tower of London – **18th March 2026**



What to Bring Each Day

Children should bring a water bottle (water only no juice or squash), a book bag/backpack, and wear the correct school uniform and school shoes. 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.

Cold weather

As the weather gets colder, please ensure your child comes to school dressed appropriately with a winter coat, scarf, hat and gloves. We would also appreciate it if all items are labelled with your child's name.

Learning Conversations

Learning conversations will take place on the 10th and 12th of March. This is a great opportunity to chat about your child's learning and see some of the amazing work they have completed so far. Please book an appointment on Scopay when it goes live. More information will follow.

Summary:

Tuesday: Swimming (2:15-3:15)

Thursday: Home Learning Books due back

Friday: P.E

Library book change

New Home Learning sent home

Change in swimming time

Our swimming time has now changed to Tuesday afternoon 2:15-3:15.

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 home learning book with suggested activities do to 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!

Staff in class:

Miss Cessford

Mrs Marcus (Everyday AM)

Mr D and Miss Purdue (Friday PM)

