



## Term 3 2025-2026 Oaks newsletter 'What makes a hospitable environment?'

Dear Oaks Class Families,

Wishing you a Happy New Year! We hope you have had a restful break and a lovely Christmas. This term, we are starting a new geography topic based around the characteristics of North America. We will be using *Wolf Brother* by Michelle Paver, and *Holes* by Louis Sachar, as inspiration in our writing. Our focus in Geography moves from Europe across the Atlantic to learn about North America and in R.E. we will be learning more about Hinduism. In maths, we will be finishing off fractions before moving onto looking at decimals and then area, perimeter and volume. As last term, we will learn spellings in class and some of the grammar homework pages will be focused on spelling patterns: we will not be sending spellings home to learn. The spelling patterns for Term 3 are:

Spellings	ing/ed/est/er to words ending in -y	ing/ed/est/er to words ending in -e with a consonant or a vowel before it	-able and -ible and -ably and -ibly	adding suffixes beginning with vowels to words of more than one syllable	-ly including exceptions	-sure/-ture
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### Questions you could ask your child about their learning this term:

- What has happened so far in 'Holes'?
- What are some human/physical features of North America?
- Are there similarities between North America and Europe?
- What have you written your persuasive leaflet about?
- How do you classify living things?
- Can you name me an item in your classroom in French?

### Helping to enrich our topics

It is always great to have items that support our topic, so if anyone has any items that may help us with any of the work above that we could borrow, we would love to share in school.

**Reminders** – Please can you make sure your child brings in a labelled water bottle each day with fresh water; ensure all jumpers are labelled and bring a coat for this cold weather!

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Many thanks for your support,

Mrs Seymour and Mrs Healy



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Term 3 Learning Map

Literacy	Holes Persuasive leaflet	Holes Non-chronological report	Wolf Brother Narrative
Maths	Fractions	Decimals	Area, Perimeter and Volume
Science	Living things and their habitats		
Art	Illustration and character study		
Geography	What are the characteristics of North America?		
P.S.H.E.	Keeping Safe <i>stay safe</i>		
Computing	Programming and Data Handling – Mars Rover	Online Safety	
R.E.	Why do Hindus want to be good? 		
French	School life		
Music	Setting texts to music		
P.E.	Dance		